

Microeconomics Masters Seminar SS 2025 Topics in Experimental Economics.

Controlled laboratory experimentation is now an established research method in empirical economic analysis. Controlled laboratory experiments and field experiments are routinely used to evaluate the predictive and descriptive performance of economic theory in a variety of economic literatures. Experimental research papers are commonplace in the very best general and field journals. This seminar considers topics in experimental economics. In this seminar the emphasis is on important methodological issues such as whether it is legitimate for researchers to deceive subjects in decision-making experiments, whether it is necessary to motivate experimental participants with financial rewards (or whether subjects can be trusted to report their true preferences without financial motivation to do so), etc. The seminar is appropriate for students with an interest in experimental economics, experimental psychology, decision-making preferences and cognitive sciences.

Capacity for this seminar is limited to **25 students**. The application procedure is as follows:

1. Applications open from 20th January 2025
2. Applications close on 31th March 2025 at 12.00.
3. Applications outside of these times will not be accepted.
4. Applications should be made by email to dorothee.moellmann@uos.de. Emails to anyone else will not be accepted.
5. We ask that you attach your current grade transcript to the email.
6. The seminar is an advanced research-based module for people with previous experience of Experimental and/or Behavioural economics and who have **completed the Methoden module**. In your email you should indicate what your experience is (e.g. undergraduate modules taken, WIWI-M-20001-EC: Mikroökonomik M I).
7. Places will be allocated in the order in which we receive email applications.
8. If there is remaining capacity after this process, places might be offered to students who can demonstrate the ability to successfully study new topics, (for example, a current grade average above 2,7 and similar performance in Methoden) but who do not have previous experience of behavioural and/or experimental economics. This shall be at the discretion of the micro chair.
9. We will inform you by email if your application has been successful.

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