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Human Geography (Master):

2. Objectives, content and organisation of the programme of study

The Master's Degree programme (MA) in Human Geography offers the student a broad theoretical and methodological competence, disciplinary specialization, and applied knowledge related to specific research problems.

The programme consists of a compulsory introduction to the philosophical traditions of the discipline, training in methods (qualitative, quantitative and/or geographical information systems), elective thematic courses <u>and specializations</u>, and a Master's thesis. <u>Students can choose between a general study programme or a thematic specialization</u> The elective module offers either a general study in human geography or specialization within one of four areas: urban studies and planning, climate change adaptation and transformation, development and politics, and economic and labour geography.

TheAn MA in Human Geography trains students to understand the spatial connections and complexities of the social world. Students develop analytical capabilities to examine the relationship between local processes and conditions and those on the national and global scale. The master thesis constitutes independent academic research and the core of the master's degree programme in Human Geography. The master's thesis prepares students for developing and carrying out an independent academic research project Through producing a master's thesis, the student is responsible for an independent piece of academic research by: formulating research questions based on a relevant theoretical context, making methodological choices, collecting and analysing data through appropriate tools, and presenting research findings in written text and in an oral examination. The Master's Degree programme functions as a qualification for a PhD in Human Geography.

3. The candidate's learning outcomes

[we add here the revised "Learning outcomes", see separate item at meeting agenda]