Basic elective module "Interdisciplinary Foundations"

The aim of this module is that courses from other faculties could be chosen if they are a reasonable supplementation to the economics master program. Such courses could e.g. be from the fields of psychology, sociology, political science or law. But also language courses can be acknowledged.

Before deciding for a course from another faculty you have to contact the program coordinator and apply for a course in a written form, including a brief motivation (email). The program coordinator will decide according to the following rules:

- The course should have a module description according to the ECTS requirements, and it has to be on a master level or an ambitious Bachelor level.
- The course (except language courses) must have certain relations to the field of economics, it should supplement the economic perspective in a reasonable way. Examples: Social Psychology, International Relations, Sociology of Industrial Relations, Economic Law etc. Counter-examples: Organic Chemistry, Cell Biology, Photonics etc.
- The courses should not be too similar to existing courses from the module catalogue of the master program in economics.

For language courses, the following rules apply:

- The level of the course according to CEFR has to be announced in the course description.
- Only courses can be counted which have not been taken already in your previous study. They should be a significant progress in your language proficiency. Therefore:
  - The courses must be at least level B1/B2 or C1/C2, depending on your prior proficiency level, and they should include some teaching about the country/culture.
  - In case of a completely new language, also level A2 is sufficient. "Completely new" means that you haven't learned the language neither in school nor in your previous study. Level A1 courses will not be credited.

After the course, submit a photocopy of the language certificate (you keep the original one!) to the program coordinator with the note “To be credited for Interdisciplinary Foundations”. Typically you will receive 5 ECTS from the Language Centre, however we will acknowledge it with 6 ECTS for “Interdisciplinary Foundations”. See also the document “Language Courses” on the website of this master program.