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Student comments

SPEA students:

„Unforgettable experiences; diversity; scientific city; open-minded friends; perfect impression of Europe; we learn a lot in the class and outside the class from our excellent professors and colleagues.“

„It was truly comparative, discussions were fruitful, and I was able to get a feel, not just knowledge, of public administration in Germany.“

Speyer University students:

„Possibility of international connections; opportunity to improve knowledge of English language; intellectually challenging.“

„Comparative factor, exchange of different point of views, discussing and working in English.“

Open to:

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Public Policy and Administration in Germany, the European Union, and the United States

Summer Studies SPEA on the Rhine



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13 May - 13 June 2014



SPEA on the Rhine

For the fifth time, Speyer University and SPEA offer a joint summer program on **comparative public policy and administration** in Germany, the European Union, and the United States. Five seminars will provide an overview of major problems of public management, European economic integration, decision-making in the EU, local government and administrative modernization, and US and EU constitutional law.

The program will provide students with a unique opportunity to study problems of public policy and administration in **interdisciplinary and international context**.

Further highlights of the program will be **excursions** to the European Central Bank and Stock Exchange in Frankfurt, to the picturesque city of Heidelberg, to the Council of Europe in Strasbourg (France) and, for the first time, to the EU institutions in Brussels (3-day trip).

SPEA graduate students and select undergraduates will participate in the program as part of their regular program in public administration. SPEA students are able to receive **up to 6 credit points**. This would require a paper and an oral presentation in two seminars of their choice as well as two reading assignments in other courses.

Students enrolled at Speyer University are welcome to participate in one or more seminars of the program as part of their regular curriculum. Students have to meet the normal seminar requirements of Speyer University: Submission of a paper and an oral presentation of it, both in English.

For more information on courses, requirements and organizational matters, please visit our program website: www.uni-speyer.de/engl/spea/

SPEA (School of Public and Environmental Affairs), Indiana University, Bloomington is one of America's top schools of public affairs, and consistently ranks in the top tier among US graduate schools. More about **SPEA**: <http://www.indiana.edu/~spea/>

Courses



A comparative perspective on public administration in the EU, Germany and the US

Michael W. Bauer & William G. Resh



- Origins of public administration as a discipline
- Parliaments and (their) bureaucracies
- Courts and administrative culture
- Political approaches to public personnel administration
- The citizen's right to know in the US, EU and Germany
- The structure and accountability of regulatory agencies
- Administrative reforms
- Politicized bureaucracy

European economic integration

Andreas Knorr



- Introduction to European economic integration
- The economics of regional integration
- The Single Market
- The EU's budget and Common Agricultural Policy (CAP)
- Monetary integration

Speyer University (German University of Administrative Sciences Speyer) is Germany's centre of competence for administrative sciences. Its teaching and research programs are characterized by an interdisciplinary approach and close relations to management problems and institutions in the public and private sectors. More about Speyer University: <http://www.uni-speyer.de/engl/>

Comparative Local Government

Tim Jäkel



- Key characteristics of local government
- Performance management and benchmarking
- Local public finances
- Local politics
- Local government reforms

US and EU constitutional law from a comparative perspective (cases)

Karl-Peter Sommermann



- Introduction to US and European Constitutionalism
- Federalism
- Democracy and freedom of speech
- Freedom of religion
- Social rights



Project seminar: Turkey and the European Union

Michael W. Bauer/
Rahel Schomaker/
Jesse Lehrke



- The applicant state and the rules of the game
- The issues I: religious and cultural factors
- The issues II: economic, geostrategic and security interests
- The positions of central actors I
- The positions of central actors II and wrap-up