

## Course Dates

Start: March 7, 2022  
End: June 20, 2022  
Time: Mondays, 14:00-15:30 (German time)

## Course Description

The main part of the course is taught as an international online seminar by Dr. Aviv Cohen (The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Israel), who is a specialist in Civic Education.

This course aims to raise awareness of issues of diversity and multiculturalism as part of the civic education process. We will first read theoretical writings highlighting the importance of dealing with different types of diversity as part of education in a democratic state. Following, we will examine various international case studies that deal (for better or for worse) with such issues, discussing the following topics: national diversity, religious diversity, racial diversity, gender diversity, and linguistic diversity. Finally, we will explore several pedagogical approaches that enable teachers and practitioners to address such topics in the classrooms. Throughout the course, students will be asked to reflect on their personal stances and roles in this regard.

## Certificate

Dr. Cohen will open his seminar for teacher education students of all subjects from Uni Jena. This is a unique opportunity to discuss matters of heterogeneity and diversity in education in a multicultural setting. You will be asked to cooperate and work on assignments. The seminar will be held for a total group of 20-25 Israeli, Palestinian and German students. After participating in this class, you will receive a certificate to prove your commitment.

## Course Formalities for the State Exam in English Didactics

This course offers a special integrative and innovative format. It is “embedded” in a regular, if shortened state exam preparation course. Students from FSU Jena will be joined by Jewish and Palestinian students in a group of ca. 20-25 participants. This is a unique opportunity to discuss matters of heterogeneity, diversity etc. (see below) in a multicultural setting. You will be asked to cooperate and work on assignments together.

Dr. Cohen’s part of the course will include 13-14 sessions. Prof. Dr. Laurenz Volkman will have an introductory session with FSU students one week prior to the course’s commencement (tba). After the course, there will be two extra sessions with FSU students, probably on June 27 and July 4. Please note that the exam for the course will be in line with official requirements of our university: there will be an oral exam (last week of term, covering content of the course plus one additional topic from our list of EFL topics, please consult our homepage). Prof. Dr. Volkman will participate in Dr. Cohen’s course. The main part of the course is not team-taught, however, but taught by Dr. Cohen. We will try to put the course into a German perspective in our sessions before and after the course.

## Registration

10 to 15 FSU participants can be admitted to the seminar. If you are interested in this course, please register with Prof. Dr. Laurenz Volkman via [l.volk@uni-jena.de](mailto:l.volk@uni-jena.de) first. Register with Friedolin later. Please note that students may also participate without taking an exam at the end of the course.

**Registration Deadline: February 28, 2022**

For further questions, please contact [l.volk@uni-jena.de](mailto:l.volk@uni-jena.de) or [ideas@uni-jena.de](mailto:ideas@uni-jena.de).