Welcome to the Newsletter for PEF students at the University of St. Gallen. Twice a year we inform you about News, Events, Lectures, Seminars, Alumni.

**PEF students**

We are glad to welcome our new students in autumn semester 2017

**New PEF students**

Economics: Veronica Grassi, Immanuel Lampe, Janosch Weiss

Econometrics: Patrick Keller, Philine Widmer, Sven Wiedmer, Michael Zimmert

**MPEF students**

Our new Integrated Master and Ph.D. Programme in Economics and Finance, MPEF, will start its second year. Congratulations to Danielle Ballinari and Christian Sgier who successfully finished the 1st year and are provisionally accepted to PEF.

We wish you all a good start!

**Events**

**PEF Welcome Apéro**

Wednesday 20 Sept 11:00 Mensa-Stübli

Sign-up by 10th Sept: pef@unisg.ch
PEF-PIF Event “Academic Job Market”

Monday 18 Sept 18 14:00-16:00  Room 01-U126
Invited speaker Nina Karnaukh. She will briefly present her work, share with you her experiences studying at the HSG and in the US, and talk about her AFA job market experience.

Sign-up by 11th Sept: pef@unisg.ch

News

New Award Regulations starting 1st August, 2017

According to the New Award Regulations 2017 (Promotionsordnung 2017), Art. 44 3) **Enrolment in a course shall be binding; students who fail to attend shall be deemed to have failed the course.**

According to the Implementation Provisions for the Award Regulations for Doctor’s Degrees of the University of St.Gallen, Art. 12 3) **De-registration from a course or seminar shall be possible if this**

1. a) is done at the latest two weeks after the end of the registration window (end of the bidding round or registration for the HSG’s course on methodology) or
2. b) is the result of special circumstances such as illness, accident or family events (birth, death).

Students who plan to take a course as an **optional course and without an examination** should not register via the bidding system. They should register directly with the lecturer.

Students who plan to take a course as a **regular course or as an optional course with an examination** should register via the bidding system. Enrolment in a course is binding: students have to attend the course and take the exam. The grade will be shown on the scorecard.

According to the new PEF Regulations 2017, Art. 21, **courses during the course phase and seminars during the research phase are graded passed or not passed.**
Prize for the best PEF thesis 2017

Helge Liebert and Nina Karnaukh share the prize this year.

PEF PhD Courses Autumn Term HS17

NEW: PEF will offer two additional courses in HS17 (no examination, no credits):
- Database Systems, Prof. Dr. Michael Grossniklaus
- Introduction to Python, Dr. Nicola Chiapolini

Econometrics

- Causal Inference, Prof. M. Lechner (joint PEF / GSERM)
- Using Spatial Data in Applied Economic Research, Prof. P. Raschky

Economics

- Topics in Empirical Health and Labor Economics, Prof. B. Eugster & Prof. N. Maestas
- Inequality and Macroeconomics, Prof. R. Föllmi
- Political Economics of Development, Prof. R. Hodler
- Empirical Evaluation of Economic Models, Prof. C. Wunsch

Finance

- Advanced topics in pricing and hedging of equity derivatives, Prof. M. Fengler
- Time Series Methods in Financial Econometrics, Prof. P. Gagliardini
- Market Microstructure (PhD), Prof. A. Ranaldo (PIF)
- Empirical Finance, Prof. P. Söderlind

PhD Seminar

F. Audrino & R. Föllmi

More Information

Literature Seminar

F. Audrino & B. Eugster & P. Zahn

More Information
Students' mandatory attendance: 
75%

Students' mandatory attendance: 
50%

You may find the lectures schedule and course descriptions on the PEF website or on Stundenplan online.

Seminars offered by the Department of Economics

To receive the weekly Seminars Newsletter email seps@unisg.ch

Research Seminar Economics

Brown Bag Seminar Economics

Quantitative Methods Seminar

Big Data Seminar (Interdisciplinary)

GSERM

The fourth Summer School in Empirical Research Methods - GSERM took place in summer 2017 (1 to 23 June), nearly 300 participants from over 100 different fields of study attended.

PEF students may attend summer school courses. You may ask for more information on registration, courses and crediting at pef@unisg.ch

Public defences held in FS17

Nina Karnakauh Essays on exchange rates, liquidity, and monetary policy

Helge Liebert Essays in Empirical Economics

Johannes Schwarzer Three Essays on Firms in International Trade

Our public defences are open to the public and everybody is welcome!
PEF Alumni


Nina Karnaukh started as Assistant Professor in Finance at Ohio State University in August 2017.