

Research Methods in Law and Economics
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Course structure and description:

This course is divided in **three main parts**:

Part 1: How to do research in Law and Economics I?, Dr. Stephan Michel (pre-recorded material provided)

Part 2: How to do research in Law and Economics II?, Dr. Roe Sarel (pre-recorded material provided)

Part 3. Collecting data about the Middle East and measuring religion, Prof. Moamen Gouda (pre-recorded material provided)

Students can choose how and when to attend this course within the period from 3. till 9. September. This course gives students different views on how to conduct legal research using the economic methodology. The last part of the course (Part 3) mainly focuses on collecting data about the Middle East shedding light on measuring religion, which is an important variable when measuring institutional factors in the region. Students are given an overview of the "best practices" for conducting research, combined with some tips and routine of different instructors.

The following main questions are covered throughout the three parts:

- How to find a good research idea in the field of law and economics?
- How to do (empirical) research?
- How to structure an academic paper?
- What is economic theory?
- What are the common mistakes in doing research?
- How to measure religion or religiosity?
- How to access data on the Middle East?

After successful completion of this course, students should come up with their own research question that could be answered using the economic methodology of the law. A proposal of up to 3 pages should be submitted to the program coordinator at the end of the summer school.