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Illiberal Memory Politics

3/6/9 ECTS-Punkte

MASS: Wahlmodul: Politische Ordnung - Wirtschaft – Gesellschaft

MASS: Wahlpflichtmodul: Politik und Kultur

MASS/MES: Zentralbereich Politik

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Präsenz

The term "illiberal memory politics" opens up to two questions: What implies the "illiberal"? And what counts as memory politics? In this course, thus, we deal with two distinct research fields which reveal several overlaps, most drastically visible in President Putin's historiographically framed justification for invading Ukraine.

In this course we will learn more about the concept of "illiberal memory politics" and its links to illiberalism-studies. On the other hand, we will approach the field of memory politics studies which is not necessarily connected to the populist radical right. In a second step, our conceptual knowledge will be applied to special country-case studies such as Germany, Poland or Russia. Students elaborate presentations with examples in selected countries where political actors interpret "history" for illiberal purposes.

Literature: Kubik, Jan and Bernhard, Michael (2014) A Theory of the Politics of Memory. In: Bernhard M and Kubik J (eds) *Twenty Years after Communism. The Politics of Memory and Commemoration*. Oxford, New York: Oxford University Press, pp.7-36.

Petö A (2020) A paradigm change in Holocaust memorialization: lessons to be learned. In *Holocaust Remembrance and Representation: Documentation from a Research Conference* (pp. 19-28).

Stockholm. *Holocaust Remembrance and Representation: Documentation from a Research Conference*. Stockholm: <https://nbn-resolving.org/urn:nbn:de:0168-ssoar-71902-5>, pp.19-25.

Rosenfeld Gavriel D. (2021) The rise of illiberal memory. *Memory Studies*. 1-18.

Learning outcomes: Text reading, team-work ideally for presentations, empirical research.

Requirements: For 3 ECTS, participation in a presentation team is mandatory.

Mandatory for 6 and 9 ECTS are regular active participation, written pieces, and the elaboration of a presentation.

Type and length of the required papers will be clarified once the composition of the course is settled.

Comment: The course starts in presence. Depending on the pandemic situation, it could be also transformed into an online-course. PLEASE inscribe to moodle if you are sure, you are interested and have a look to the major content before the first session. PLEASE cancell your inscription once you are sure, you will not participate!

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