Computer Science / Digital Sciences Master

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Guided Projects in DigSc Master

WS 2025/26

Registration Procedure

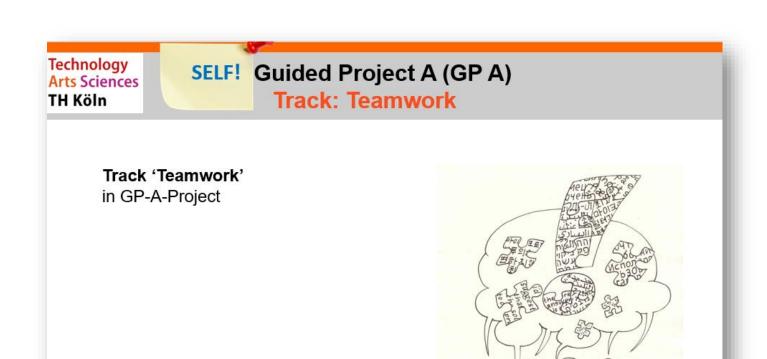
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Guided Project Requirements (depending on specialization)

Specialization	Required Guided Projects ("Must")	optional additional Projects
ITM, 3-sem	- (dedicated own project format)	-
ITM, 4-sem		up to 30 ECTS modules or projects (i.e. any GPs up to 30 ECTS ok)
DIS	-	 up to 30 ECTS of projects GP-ID with 6 ECTS at max twice (2x) all other project types at max once (1x)
BIS / SAR, 3-sem	1 GP-TS-xxx (18 ECTS)	-
BIS / SAR, 4-sem		 up to 12 ECTS worth of GPs, so either no additional projects 1 GP-ID (6 ECTS) 2 GP-ID (12 ECTS) 1 GP-xxx (12 ECTS)

There is **NO** rule that you may only take GP-ACS or GP-TS-ACS, if you you study SAR, etc. You may pick any GP, regardless of your own specialization

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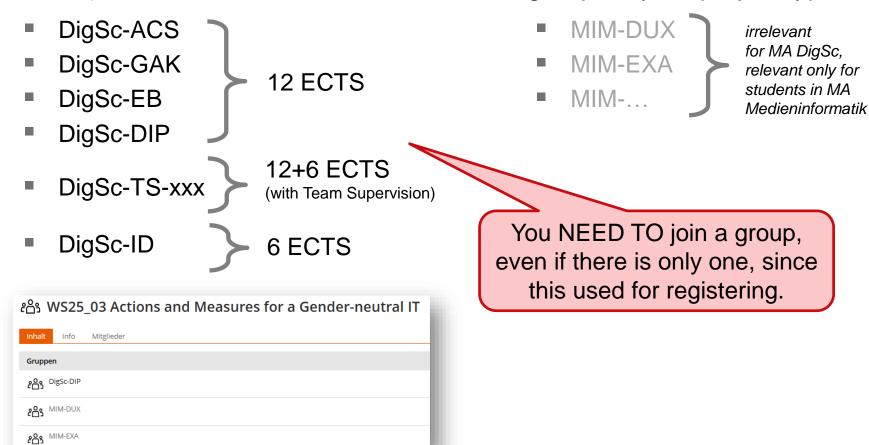


How to register (1)?

- Until Sat 30.08, eod ...
- 1. Go to ILU
- 2. Join the Guided Project course
 - Digital Sciences (Master) / Guided Projects
 - https://ilu.th-koeln.de/ilias.php?baseClass=ilrepositorygui&ref_id=85631
- 3. Go to folder WS25
 - Digital Sciences (Master) / Guided Projects / WS25
 - https://ilu.th-koeln.de/ilias.php?baseClass=ilrepositorygui&cmd=view&ref_id=672519
- 4. Apply for membership to the project(s) you like:
 - o WS25_01 ...
 - o WS25 02 ...
 - Etc.

How to register (2)?

5. Once you have been accepted: Join the subgroup for your project type

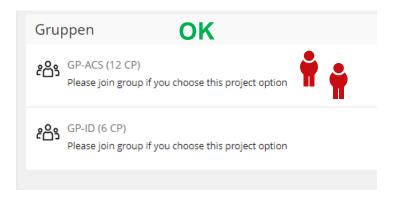


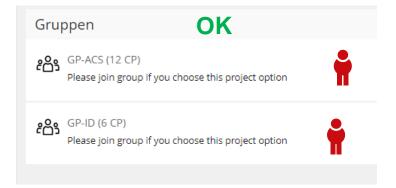
Please apply only where you REALLY want to participate

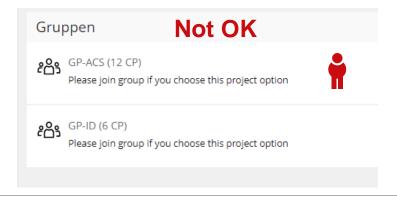
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Hard Rule: >= 2 Participants per Project

- The overall project context must have >= 2 participants
 - Example: SS26_06 Some very fancy stuff done together







Registration Phases

- Registration: Phase 1 until Sat 30.08. eod
 - Register as described
 - Ask supervisors about the projects, if in doubt!
 - No first-come-first-serve principle
 - All applications will be treated equally regardless of the application date.
- Each GP supervisor decides on acceptance within phase 1
- Minimum number of participants reached?
 - NO: Projects not reaching minimum number of participants will be closed => see phase 2
 - YES: Membership is binding! leaving project after phase 1 means "Fehlversuch" (failed attempt)
- Registration: Phase 2 until end of September
 - Applicants for closed projects are redistributed
 - Applicants from Master Medieninformatik may join, too
 - At the end of Phase 2, a participant lists are compiled
 - Lists are sent centrally to examination office
 - No individual registration in PSSO etc. needed



End of project

- Each project needs to have a final presentation
- Program Mgr will organize a GP Presentation Day
 - After semester end, either Feb or March 2026
 - Date will be coordinated & communicated in advance
 - Not binding, but nice (so you can present your work to others)
- For each GP you participate, you'll need to attend one (other)
 GP's presentation
 - Reasons:
 - Quality assurance via peer review
 - More workshop-like athmosphere of the presentations
 - Presentation dates will be communicated well in advance
 - Details (registration procedure etc.) yet to be defined



Program manager recommendations for Guided Projects

- GP governance decided by supervisor
 - Below are the recommendations by CompSc program managers
- Milestones
 - Kickoff meeting
 - Reflection of tasks at hand, planning, ...
 - Intermediate presentation
 - Final presentation
 - Preferably as a workshop together with other GP
- Status meetings
 - regularly, at least every 3 weeks
 - advisable: every 2nd week, in peak times weekly
- In order to accommodate a realistic workload, the GP should start earlier / last longer than lecture period

