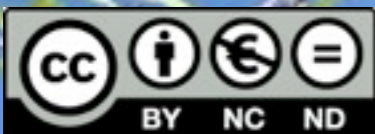


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ORDER OF THE DAY

- ✓ course time: c.t. or s.t. ?
- ✓ course material www.martinicarlo.net/teaching
- ✓ how to contact me: carlo.martini@uni-bayreuth.de OR uni.c.martini@gmail.com
- ✓ office hours: Monday 9am - 12pm, or by appointment
- ✓ changes in the syllabus due to time clashes
- ✓ syllabus

the syllabus:

- Credits:
 - **IMPORTANT: Let me know by the end of week 2 (April 27) if you intend to take the course for 2 or 8 credits. Go to: <https://docs.google.com/spreadsheet/viewform?formkey=dHdLQmQyMGJ6emRVUU5Zam5FZGdGZ1E6MQ>**
- Assessment:
 - • **2CP: 40% class attendance and participation + 30% presentation + 30% questions sheets submissions**
 - • **8CP: 16% class attendance and participation + 12% presentation + 12% questions sheets submissions + 60% final paper (4000 words)**

presentations:

- groups of 2/3 students, each group for one of the 10 articles we will read from week 3 to week 12 included.
- What you should do by Saturday of this week (April 21):
 - pair up and choose 3 articles which you are happy (or at least not to sorry about!) presenting in class.
 - or just choose 3 articles and I'll pair you up with some other student with same/similar preferences.
 - to give your preferences go to: <https://docs.google.com/spreadsheet/viewform?formkey=dGJBRTIYNEhPbGRDc2NiTDZqYVJwNXc6MQ>
- How to structure your presentation: (max 10 minutes per presenter)
 - either slides or handout (send me your presentation by the **Friday morning preceding the Monday of the presentation)
 - give a summary of the main points that the article makes
 - optional: give a personal critical assessment of the points that the article makes
- Typical questions for a critical assessment: ➤ Are the points the author makes clear? ➤ Is the argument a good one? ➤ Does the argument contain mistakes? ➤ Is the author leaving important objections unanswered? ➤ Does the argument apply in all or only in special cases? ➤ Are there counterexamples to what the author says? ➤ Is what the author says relevant? Etc.

the weekly questions sheet:

- I will give you one questions sheet for each of the 10 weeks between week 3 and week 12.
- Each questions sheet contains up to 5 questions on the paper assigned for that week.
- What you should do:
 - Simply, answer the questions in writing: answer two questions in 100 words per question (200 words total).
 - Send me your answers by email.
 - Write in the body of the email.
 - Don't include attachments.
 - Email to uni.c.martini@gmail.com or carlo.martini@uni-bayreuth.de.
 - Use only the subject line 'QSWEEK[...]' - e.g. for week 3 use the subject line QSWEEK3, for week 6 the subject line QSWEEK6, etc. use *only* this subject line when submitting.
- You are required to submit 8 questions sheets total, and I will give you feedback on 4 of them, if you want extra feedback on a particular questions sheet come to my office hours.
- You are required to submit your questions sheets by Sunday night of each week.
- Don't work in groups, QUESTIONS SHEETS ARE INDIVIDUAL WORK. Copying a questions sheet (or part of it) will make it null (= it will count as no submission), compulsive copying will affect your standing in the course.