Course	Destination and Sustainability Management
Course Nummer	2505
Exam Number	2505
Course Frequency	Winter Semester and Summer Semester
Duration	1 Semester
Contact Hours per Week	4
Teaching and Learning Forms	3 SWS Seminar 1 SWS Project Work / Case Studies
ECTS Credit Points	5
Workload	 125 hours Attendance time in courses: 56 hours Self-study: 69 hours
Language	English
Module Responsibility	Prof. Dr. Louisa Klemmer, Prof. Dr. Harald Zeiss
Prerequisites for Participation	None
Content	This course endeavours to provide students with a comprehensive understanding of the core principles, challenges, and management strategies pertinent to sustainable tourism destinations. By delving into the evolving paradigms of sustainable tourism against the backdrop of global challenges, students are poised to grasp the significance and multifaceted nature of the international tourism sector and the importance of a wholistic approach to sustainable destination management including all the relevant stakeholders.
	Course outline:
	 Historical overview of tourism development, effects and structures on a global and regional scale. Significance, resources and impacts of tourism. Different theories on travel behaviour and tourism development. Explanation of consumer demands and special features of tourism as a service product. Destinations and their organisations as part of the tourism system Definition, core principles and key requirements of sustainable tourism development.

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	 Strategic sustainable destination management, including destination assessment and evaluation, planning and development, stakeholder integration, political roles and responsibilities. The evolution from destination marketing to management and the wholistic perspective of regional development. From (cooperative) product development to marketing and management of a destination: an introduction to action plans / destination management plans including control instruments for a sustainable implementation. An overview of current and future developments and challenges in tourism such as climate and demographic changes, digitalization, health and security. An analysis of how tourism can support the UNWTO sustainable development goals. International tourism as a manifestation Analysis of current economic and socio-political developments on international tourism and the effects on tourism policy, planning and development.
Target Competencies	 Understanding and Knowledge: Gain a solid understanding of the concept of international tourism, its economic, social and environmental significance, and its impact on resources and the environment. Acquire knowledge on the evolution of destination management practices including sustainable tourism development from a societal alternative to its present-day challenges posed by globalisation and climate change.
	Application and Generation of Knowledge:
	 Explore the challenges posed by current development models and delve into strategies how sustainable tourism development may be used to help mitigate these challenges. Understand and apply the principles of sustainable development and destination management principles in an international tourism context.
	Communication and Cooperation:
	 Engage in discussions on the varied dimensions of sustainable tourism management, fostering a collaborative learning environment. Work in groups to analyse case studies and propose sustainable solutions to real-world tourism management challenges.

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	Professionalism and Scientific Self-understanding:
	 Develop a professional understanding of sustainable tour- ism and destination management, including its tasks, ac- tion levels, and instruments for sustainable development. Evaluate sustainability measures in tourism destinations, enhancing scientific and professional aptitude in sustaina- bility assessment.
	This module unit thus imparts competencies at level 1 of the Qual- ifications Framework for German Higher Education Qualifications (HQF) at Bachelor level. This applies in particular to the following areas:
	 Knowledge and understanding Use, application and creation of knowledge Communication and cooperation Scientific self-perception / professionalism
Examination and Course Achievement	The primary form of examination is the project work.
Basic Literature	Farmaki, A., Altinay, L., & Font, X. (Eds.). (2022). Planning and Managing Sustainability in Tourism: Empirical Studies, Best-prac- tice Cases and Theoretical Insights. Springer Nature.
	Reisinger, Y., & Dimanche, F. (2010). International tourism. Routledge. Fennell, David A.; Cooper, Chris (2020): Sustainable Tourism. Principles, Contexts and Practices. Bristol, Blue Ridge Summit: Channel View Publications
	Kozak, N., & Kozak, M. (Eds.). (2019). Tourist destination manage- ment: Instruments, products, and case studies. Springer.
	Ryan, C. (2020). Advanced introduction to tourism destination man- agement. Edward Elgar Publishing.