



Seminar “Basic Income and Social Justice”

(Summer Term 2023)

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SoCoLab seminar, winner of a University Teaching Award 2012 and the Economics Student Council Award 2021, deviates from a usual seminar setting. The students after reading the necessary papers and finish the required assignments will be welcomed during class to participate and discuss the elements of the theories and their ideas with Prof. Neumärker and his co-workers. The seminar consists of an introduction, 2 blocked meetings, a day of experiments with the participants, and a concluding session for the team experiments. In the first sessions (Part I), the theoretical foundations and political problems are laid, and after the introduction to experiment settings (Part II) follow the presentations and critical discussion on design and conduct of team experiments (Part III). The participation in all the classes is obligatory in order to achieve maximum participation and understanding of the subjects. After the classes and the experiments for seminar participants are over, teams are given a sufficient amount of time to develop an experiment on the topic. In the team experiments, the participants are expected to critically reflect on one of the issues tackled in the seminar. The experiment design formalities and more specific information on the content will be provided to all participants.

We are happy to welcome this semester’s special guest **Ugo Colombino** for the last seminar session. He is the author of the paper underlying the experimental topics.

The overall grade is the weighted sum of all three elements of the seminar with the following weights: Team Experiment and Paper/Report on a Basic Income Experiment: 60%, Assignments: 20%, Class Participation: 20%. The teams will be built, at the latest, after the “Experimental Sessions for Participants”.

Students will receive **6 ECTS** upon successful completion of the seminar. The Seminar can be recognized as “**Topics in the Economics of Social Justice**” for students enrolled in the “**M.Sc. Economics**” or “**M.Sc. VWL**” program. Students from “**M.Sc. BWL**” or **from outside economics** can enroll if their program accepts the course.

Time schedule:

<i>Date</i>	<i>Topic</i>
24.04.2023* 12-14 Uhr HS 1228 (KG I)	Introductory Session
24.04.2023	Upload of the Video Sessions on Basic Income Issues and Theories, and on Social Justice, New Ordoliberalism, and Social Contracting with Respect to Basic Income and its Application in Experimental Logic and Design
15.05.2023* 09-16 h PC Pool 3 (Werthmannstr. 4)	Instructional Experiment Sessions for Participants
12.06.2023* 09-16 h R 01 014 (Wilhelmstr. 26)	Experimental Sessions of the Teams: Preliminary results of experimental design
17.07.2023* 09-16 h R 01 014 (Wilhelmstr. 26)	Experimental Sessions of the Teams with Special Guest Ugo Colombino : Results of design and preliminary results of experimental conduct

* Students must expect regular attendance. Whenever the technological demands require Zoom meetings, we will announce it.

The registration period begins on **17. February 2023**. To make a reservation for a seminar slot please join the Ilias course “Seminar “Basic Income and Social Justice” SS 2023” by following this link, no password required:

https://ilias.uni-freiburg.de/goto.php?target=crs_3000747&client_id=unifreiburg

The seminar registration is on a first come first serve basis. If the course is full, you may join the waiting list. On this list, you will automatically join the course as soon as a slot becomes available for you. If you want to reject your reservation, please make sure to leave the Ilias course, as your slot should be available for others.

For the official registration fill out the registration form in the introductory session. Also, join this session if you are on the waiting list to potentially move up.

For further questions, feel free to send a mail to “**marcel.franke@vwl.uni-freiburg.de**”.

Further information on:

<https://gwp.uni-freiburg.de/sommersemester-2023/seminar-basic-income-and-social-justice-ss23/>