# Module 1 / Semester 1:

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## Content/Description

This course will supply students with essential skills to both apply and expand the theoretical knowledge acquired. Students will use the literature discussed in class to elaborate concepts and solutions for practical issues related to the five core competencies of the DCLead master program: digital technologies and their developments, policy and innovation, digital communication and culture(s) in Europe, and ethics and social responsibility. The course emphasizes practical application in real-world-settings, through the use of case analyses, simulation exercises and key publications. Mostly working in small groups, students will practice their ability to analyse and critically assess challenges in the dynamic field of digital communication and to develop practical solutions and recommendations for dealing with current trajectories of change. Students are assigned to present the theoretical foundations of a specific topic they selected as their main focus (e.g. transmedia storytelling, locative media, mediatization of everyday life etc.) and to develop and guide an exercise to be performed by their fellow students. The grade that students will receive for this course will be based on this task as well as on an oral exam at the end of the semester about the contents of the course.

## Workload: ECTS

- **4 ECTS Credits**
- Total student working hours: 100 hours
- Attendance: 28 hours
- Mandatory Reading: 22 hours
- Preparation of presentation and exercise (group work): 10 hours
- Exam preparation: 40 hours

## Objectives

- **Subject-specific competences:** Understanding fundamental literature in the fields of communication, digital culture and media studies
- **Transversal competencies:** Applying the theoretical knowledge to novel areas or practical challenges; organizing and guiding a group exercise; working in a team; discussing theoretical insights and findings in the oral exam

## Guest Lecturers (if applicable)

- Birgit Breninger (University of Salzburg)
- Simone De Colle (IESEG School of Management, Paris)
- Philip Sinner (University of Salzburg)

## Selected References


Important note

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