

Subject: Welcome Words and Orientation Activities

Berlin, 3. September 2014

Dear Incoming Master Students of „Sociology – European Societies“,

On behalf of the faculty and staff at the Institute for Sociology, I would like to welcome you to our Master Studies Program “Sociology – European Societies” at the Free University of Berlin. With this letter, we would like to call your attention to some important information regarding orientation activities and other general information about the program.

Orientation Evening

The Orientation Evening aims to give you a detailed overview of the Master of Arts “Sociology – European Societies”: what is the general structure of the program, what modules does the program consists of. During the event you will also have the opportunity to get to know your lecturers, and meet upper-year students. The Orientation Evening will take place on **Monday, October 13, 2014 at Ihnestrasse 21, Room 21/B**, from **6 o'clock p.m.** Please save the date!

Semester Start

All courses at the Institute start on **Monday, October 13, 2014.**

Access to Information

Course plans, information about the faculty, and general guidelines regarding the study program can be found on our website. There are also two newsletters through which we will communicate with you. **[socMA-announce]** informs you about important announcements regarding solely the MA study program. **[socMA-jobnews]** informs you about call for papers, news about job offers, and ads about events organized by the Berliner social science community are shared and circulated irregularly. You will be automatically added to both newsletters at the beginning of the semester.

We urge you to attend as many departmental events as you can, both the early ones welcoming you to the FU, but also other lectures, colloquia and discussion forums as the year progresses. Such events will not only give you the opportunity to get to know us, but we also feel that they are an essential part of your professional development. Contact us if you have last minute questions or concerns. We look forward to meeting and welcoming you in person.

Sincerely Yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Ignácz Vajta". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'I'.

Zsófia Ignácz, your student advisor