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Welcome to the Institute of Geophysics and Meteorology

The Institute of Geophysics and Meteorology focuses on research fields ranging from applied geophysical exploration to the

Introduction to Master Program „Physics of the Earth and Atmosphere“ | Crewell & Saur | 09.10.2023

Events

09 OCT Start of lectures

09 OCT Induction session for the newly enrolled students of the B. Sc. course "Geophysik und Meteorologie" at 10:00 in the lecture hall 4.001

09 OCT Induction session for the newly enrolled students of the M. Sc. course "Physics of the Earth and Atmosphere" at 13:00 in the small seminar room 3.137

16 OCT KPA-Ringvorlesung WS 23/24: Moderne Erdsystemwissenschaften - komplex, digital, interdisziplinär

at 16:00 Uhr in the Geo-/Bio-lecture hall (Zülpicher Str. 49a), "Der Kick-Off des Systems Erde: warum und wann wurde die Erde bewohnbar?" from Prof. Dr. Carsten Münker (Institute of Geology and Mineralogy, University of Cologne)



Services



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Summer term 2023

Winter term 2023/24

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Professorships in Cologne



Prof.'in Susanne Crewell



Prof.'in Nikki Vercauteren



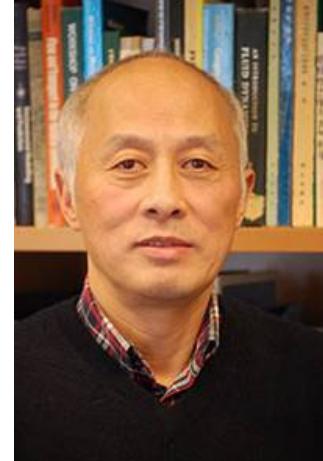
Prof. Ulrich Löhnert



Prof. Roel Neggers



Prof. Joachim Saur



Prof. Yaping Shao



Prof. Bülent Tezkan



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Dr. Frank Steffany
Consultation
Meteorology



Dr. Lex Wennmacher
Consultation
Geophysics



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Master „Physics of the Earth and Atmosphere“

Institute of Geophysics and Meteorology, University of Cologne

- Offered since winter term 2009/2010
- Reaccreditation (WS2022/23)
- Duration of regular course: 4 semesters
- strongly research oriented, cooperation with the University of Bonn

- Information Session on Reaccreditation
2 pm – CIP-room (Tuesday, October 10)
- Friday, 2 pm – Meteo Seminar!

1. Part: Lectures and exercises

- compulsory modules
- subject-specific compulsory modules
- elective modules

2. Part: Research (3 & 4 semester)

- Literature seminar
- Project work
- Master thesis

Students 9 October 2023

- 50 students in total
- 18 / 32 geophysics / meteorology
- 30 females (60 %)
- 13 international (26 %)



Master „Physics of the Earth and Atmosphere“

Communication

- Institute web site for news and information
<https://geomet.uni-koeln.de/studium/master-program>



- Registration in KLIPS <https://klips2.uni-koeln.de/>
- Ilias: course material <https://www.ilias.uni-koeln.de/>
- Consultation for specific geophysics (Wennmacher) and meteorology (Steffany) questions
- Examination Office (geo-pruefungsamt@uni-koeln.de)

Master „Physics of the Earth and Atmosphere“

- The first part contains **11 modules**, each having 6 credit points.
The elective area covers 24 credit points.
- Two focus areas: Geophysics or Meteorology.
Change of focus is possible in the 1. semester.
- Five modules need to be taken in the selected focus area
→ at least four of them need to be core modules
- Of course more modules from the focus area can be selected as part of the elective modules

PROPOSED PLAN OF STUDY OF THE MASTER OF SCIENCE: M.SC. PHYSICS OF THE EARTH AND ATMOSPHERE

Begin of study: winter term ↗



1st term	2nd term	3rd term	4th term
Prognostic Modelling*	Inverse Modelling*	Literature Seminar and current Research Questions	
Compulsory Module 1 of Main Focus	Compulsory Module 4 of Main Focus		
Compulsory Module 2 of Main Focus	Compulsory Module 5 of Main Focus	Project Work	Master Thesis
Compulsory Module 3 of Main Focus	Elective Module 2		
Elective Module 1	Elective Module 3	Elective Module 4	

*Prognostic Modelling & Inverse Modelling: annually alternating between Bonn and Cologne

Box height = 3 Credit Points (ECTS)
and weight = ECTS/120

MASTER COMPULSORY MODULE:

winter term ↗

Geophysics

GEOEEM: Direct Current and Electromagnetic Exploration Methods

GEOSEIS: Seismology

GEOSOSYS: Geophysics of the solar system

Meteorology

METCLOUD: Clouds and Precipitation

METADM: Atmospheric Dynamics and Modeling

METRAD: Radiation

summer term ☀

Geophysics

GEOAFC: Advanced Geophysical Field Course

GEOSPACE: Space Physics

Meteorology

METABL: Atmospheric Boundary Layer

METCLIMATE: Physical Climatology

Modules of the focus areas

Schwerpunktmodule Geophysics	Schwerpunktmodule Meteorology
Direct Current and Electromagnetic Exploration Methods (GEOEEM) (Kernmodul)	Atmospheric Boundary Layer (METABL) (Kernmodul)
Advanced Geophysical Field Course (GEOAFC/GEOAFC+) (Kernmodul)	Clouds and Precipitation (METCLOUD) (Kernmodul)
Geophysics of the Solar System (GEOSOSYS) (Kernmodul)	Physical Climatology (METCLIMATE) (Kernmodul)
Space Physics (GEOSPACE / GEOSPACE+) (Kernmodul)	Atmospheric Dynamics and Modelling (METADM) (Kernmodul)
Seismology (GEOSEIS)	Atmospheric Radiation (METRAD) (Kernmodul))
Wave based Methods in Hydrogeophysics (GEOHYD)	Energy Meteorology (METEN)
Geomagnetism and Space Weather (GEOMAG)	Advanced Remote Sensing (METRS)
Planetary Atmospheres (GEOPLATM)	Atmospheric Chemistry (METCHEM) Polar Meteorology (METPOL) Future Challenges in Meteorology (METFUT)
	Challenging Research Topics (METTOP)

and additional modules from Bonn

Kernmodul
=
core module

Master „Physics of the Earth and Atmosphere“

Compulsory course for main focus

Geophysics

- **GEOEEM**
Direct Current and Electromagnetic Exploration Methods
- **GEOAFC**
Advanced Geophysical Field Course
- **GEOSOSYS**
Geophysics of the solar system
- **GEOSPACE**
Space Physics:

Meteorology

- **METABL**
Atmospheric Boundary Layer
- **METCLOUD**
Clouds and Precipitation
- **METCLIMATE**
Physical Climatology
- **METADM**
Atmospheric Dynamics and Modeling
- **METRAD**
Radiation
- **METPHA** Physics of the Atmosphere
(for students with little meteorological background, only with permission of the examination committee):

Bold case means winter term

Master „Physics of the Earth and Atmosphere“

Elective modules

- Can be selected freely from the [module handbook](#) (from other topics and list below)
- Need approval (via examination office) – several modules including those from partner program in Bonn have already been preapproved, e.g. in physics, math
- Only one module from geosciences, chemistry, biology, didactics can be selected
- Only one elective module offered by another faculty can be selected

Elective modules meteorology:

- METRS Advanced Remote Sensing (Summer term)
- METCHEM Atmospheric Chemistry (Winter term)
- METEN Energy Meteorology (WT-block course)
- METTOP Challenging Meteorological Topics
- METPOL Polar Meteorology (Winter term)
- METFUT Future Challenges of Meteorology

Master „Physics of the Earth and Atmosphere“

Research oriented part

BMD seminar features talks by bachelor, master, doctoral students. Participation is strongly recommended in order to choose working group and research theme for master thesis.

- **Literature seminar (9 CP):**
The subject is selected in agreement with the advisor, if the topic of the master thesis is close to the Bachelor ‘s thesis.
20 minute presentation in a working group seminar, max 10 min questions and answers (Q&A) and written elaboration
- **Project Work (15 CP):**
Preparation of the Master ‘s thesis, e.g. feasibility study.
Completed by a talk (30 min), with Q&A (max 15 min). Nor grading.
- **Master ‘s thesis (30 CP):**
Duration 6 months, terminated by a colloquium (30 min), with Q&A (max 15 min).



Prospectus Winter term 2023/24

Important: please register
for all courses
Otherwise it might be impossibl
to particioate in examination

<https://geomet.uni-koeln.de/en/studium/ws-2023-24>

Course Nr.	Course
14904.2011	PM, Prognostic Modelling - A. Hense, S. Kollet
14904.2051	GEOEEM, Direct Current and Electromagnetic Exploration Methods - B. Tezkan, P. Yogeshwar
14904.2071	GEOSEIS, Seismology
14904.2081	GEOSOSYS, Geophysics of the Solar System - J. Saur
14904.2271	GEOMAG, Geomagnetism and Space Weather - A. Grayver
14904.2111	METCLOUD, Clouds and Precipitation - S. Crewell, S. Schnitt
14904.2131	METADM, Atmospheric Dynamics and Modelling - N. Vercauteren, F. Gucci
14904.2141	METRAD, Atmospheric Radiation - U. Löhnert
14904.2151	METPHA, Physics of the Atmosphere - F. Steffany
14904.2161	METCHEM, Atmospheric Chemistry - A. Tsimpidi
14904.2221	METPOL, Polar Meteorology - K. Ebell, R. Neggers, V. Schemann
14904.2241	GEOSRT, Planetary Gravity Fields from Spacecraft Radio Tracking - M. Pätzold.
14904.2031	LITSEM, Literature Seminar and Current Research Questions
14904.2041	PWORK, Project Work (BMD)
14904.2202	MASTER, Master Colloquium (BMD)

Master „Physics of the Earth and Atmosphere“

Seminars

Hybrid, large lecture room 4th floor

Tuesdays, 12:00

Thursdays, 3.136 9:15

BMD, Bachelor-, Master- und Doktorandenseminar

Vst.-Art	Tag	Zeit	Raum
Seminar	Dienstag Donnerstag	12:00 - 13:30 09:15 - 10:45	4.001 4.001

Ungeachtet der derzeit hohen Covid-19-Inzidenz soll die Lehre im Sommersemester weitgehend in Präsenz stattfinden, flankiert von digitalen Elementen.

Despite the currently high Covid-19 incidence, the teaching in the summer semester is planned to take place largely in attendance, flanked by digital elements.

International mobility

- Possibilities for a semester or research stay abroad,
e.g. ERASMUS+
- ERASMUS agreements of our institute with the University of L'Aquila,
University of Trento and University of Innsbruck

→ for more information see:

<https://geomet.uni-koeln.de/studium/international-mobility>

**Department wide information
meeting on international
mobility (in German)**

7 Nov 2023, 17:45

Geo/Bio lecture hall

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Geophysics and Meteorology**

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University of Bonn offers

Studienverlaufsplan Master "Physik der Erde und Atmosphäre" Universität Bonn

120 LP	Pflicht für beide Schwerpunkte	Pflicht für den Schwerpunkt Meteorologie	Pflicht für den Schwerpunkt Geophysik	Spezialisierung Wahlpflicht: zu wählen sind 4 Module mit insgesamt 24 LP (2. und 4. Zeile: zugelassene Module des MSc PEA der Universität zu Köln)										Freier Wahlpflichtbereich				
L./2. Sem.	pea700	pea710	pea720	pea731	pea732	pea733				pea734	pea735		pea740					
Module des WiSe	Prognostische Modellierung	Dynamik der Atmosphäre	Physik poröser Medien	Statistische Datenanalyse in den Geowissenschaften	Klima-dynamik	Radar-polarimetrie				Tektonophysik	Elektrische Bildgebung							
				2+2 SWS 6 LP	2+2 SWS 6 LP	2+2 SWS 6 LP	METCHEM	METCLOUD	METRAD	METTOP	METADM	METPHA	GEOEEM	GEOSYS	2+2 SWS 6 LP			
2./1. Sem.	Inverse Modellierung	Allgemeine Hydromechanik	Geodynamik	Atmospheric Chemistry	Clouds and Precipitation	Atmospheric Radiation	Polar Meteorology	Atmospheric Dynamics and Modelling	Physics of the Atmosphere	Direct Current and Electromagnetic Exploration Methods	Geophysics of the Solar System	Seismology			Module aus MSc. Geologie, MSc. Geochemie/Petrologie, MSc. Mathematics, MSc. Physics, MSc. Geodetic Engineering oder Spezialisierungs- module PEA (Bonn oder Köln) und zusätzliche wechselnde Angebote in PEA			
				2+2 SWS 6 LP	2+2 SWS 6 LP	2+2 SWS 6 LP	pea831	pea832					pea833		Hydrogeophysik			
3. Sem.				Spezielle Themen aus der Theoretischen Synoptik	Land-oberflächen-prozesse									2+4 SWS 6 LP				
				2+2 SWS 6 LP	2+2 SWS 6 LP	METCLIMATE	METRS	METABL	METFUT	GEOHYD	GEOSPACE	GEOAFC						
4. Sem.				Physical Climatology	Advanced Remote Sensing	Atmospheric Boundary Layer	Future Challenges of Meteorology			Wave-based methods in Hydrogeophysics	Space Physics	Advanced Geophysical Field Course						
				2+2 SWS 6 LP	2+2 SWS 6 LP	2+2 SWS 6 LP	2+2 SWS 6 LP	3+2 SWS 6 LP	2+3 SWS 6 LP	2+3 SWS 6 LP	3+2 SWS 6 LP	2+2 SWS 6 LP		12 LP				
Allgemeine Pflicht																		
pea950															pea960			
Entwicklung von Spezialkompetenzen															Methoden, Forschungsorientierung und Projektplanung			
15 LP															15 LP			
pea970																		
Masterarbeit																		
30 LP																		

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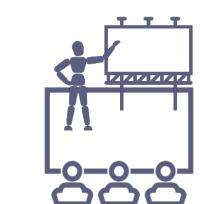
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