

Courses in English Course Description

Department 14 Tourism

Course title Special Aspects of Tourism

Hours per week (SWS) 4

Number of ECTS credits 5

Course objective To examine and evaluate the visitor experience in tourism from a contemporary perspective and to

understand the managerial implications of visitor experiences.

Prerequisites

Teaching methods Seminar, student led-discussions and small workshops

Assessment methods Written exam (SEB), 90 minutes

Language of instruction English

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Course content The aim of this course is to examine the management of visitor experiences from a contemporary

perspective. Students will learn about the experience economy and its importance and how tourism enterprises can provide the optimal experiences for visitors. The challenges associated with visitor

experiences currently and in the future will be considered and evaluated.

A range of topics and case studies will be discussed in the first part of the course and students will be expected to actively engage in discussion based on reading and class lectures. Examples and case

studies will be drawn from Australia, Asia Pacific as well as from Europe.

The second part of the course will consist of student presentations/workshops to the entire class and

the submission of a written research paper.

Topics will include: Understanding the Visitor

Components of the visitor experience

Different Attractions, different Visitors (museums, theme parks, national parks)

Staged vs. Authentic Experiences

Interpretation

Technology and the visitor (AI, AR, VR, smart tech)

Major Events and the visitor experience Cross-cultural issues and the visitor

Transformative Tourism

Remarks