Course Program

Subject code IFI7117	Master Seminar I		
Study load – 3 (ECTS/EAP)	<i>Load of contact hours</i> : 2h (lectures) / 14h (workshops)	Study semester: Fall (F1)	Assessment: Pass/Faill
<i>Objectives</i> :	To help each student in choosing and refining her or his master thesis interests and topics, methods and approaches. To develop an initial master thesis outline and project.		
Course Outline	The seminar is intended to facilitate individual orientation choices within the curriculum, and to help students structure the master thesis project from the very beginning of the program. This is done both in terms of individual tutoring and group works.		
Learning Outcomes:	Students develop initial master thesis outlines and demonstrate how each individual goal will be achieved.		
Assessment Methods:	 Pass/fail assessment. Requirements are: Submitting an initial literature review (which might be presented in the form of a short essay, an annotated bibliography, a cross-referenced conceptual map, or in any other format the enables its illustration); Presenting a master thesis proposal built upon the initial literature review which depicts a draft master thesis outline and foresees how the individual steps that will lead to the master thesis outline will be achieved over time. 		
Teacher(s):	David Lamas, PhD		
Subject name in Estonian	Magistritöö seminar I		
Prerequisite subject(s):	-		
Compoulsory Literature	To be discussed with the teacher.		
Replacement Literature	To be discussed with the teacher.		

Participation and Exam requirements	Students are required to submit and initial literature review and to peer present a master thesis proposal.	
Independent work	-	
Grading criteria scale or the minimal level necessary for passing the subject	Grading criteria: Pass is granted to students who participate in the scheduled activities and deliver both the literature review and the master thesis proposal.	
Information about the course	 Schedules: 16.09.2010 (18:15 – 19:45) Introduction, presentation and discussion of individual research interests. Literature review and master thesis proposals essentials. 23.09.2010 (18:15 – 19:45) Literature review start-up. 07.10.2010 (18:15 – 19:45) Literature review development and discussion. 14.10.2010 (on-line) Literature review development and discussion. 21.10.2010 (18:15 – 19:45) Literature review development and discussion. 28.10.2010 (18:15 – 19:45) Literature review development and discussion. 28.10.2010 (18:15 – 19:45) Literature review development and discussion. 28.10.2010 (18:15 – 19:45) Literature review development and discussion. 28.10.2010 (18:15 – 19:45) Literature review development and discussion. 28.10.2010 (18:15 – 19:45) Literature review development and discussion. 28.10.2010 (18:15 – 19:45) Literature review development and discussion. 28.10.2010 (18:15 – 19:45) Literature review development and discussion. 28.10.2010 (18:15 – 19:45) Literature review development and discussion. 28.10.2011 (0n-line) Literature review and master thesis proposal presentations and peer assessment 27.01.2011 (double session) Master thesis proposal presentations and peer assessment 27.01.2011 (double session) Master thesis proposal presentations and peer assessment 27.01.2011 (double session) Master thesis proposal presentations and peer assessment 	

The literature review should be submitted no later than 13.01.2011.
The master thesis proposal should be delivered no later than 13.01.2011 and presented between 20.01.2011 and 27.01.2011.
Final grades will be set by the end of the Fall Semester.