

# MEi: Cog Sci

Middle European  
interdisciplinary  
master's programme in  
Cognitive Science





Neues Institutsgebäude (NIG)

# Mobility Semester at University of Vienna

Winter Semester 2025/2026

# Courses



## New Trends in Cognitive Science (obligatory for all incoming students)

- **New Trends in Cognitive Science Seminar** (6 ECTS)
  - WS 2024: Predictive Processing and Active Inference
    - Ronald Sladky, Katja Hellekes
- **Journal Club** (4 ECTS)
  - WS 2024: MEi:CogSci Journal Club - Causal inference in cognitive neuroscience (neuroimaging and stimulation)
    - Martin Tik

## Other MEi:CogSci courses (WS 2024)

Creativity and Happiness



Models of Personality and Emotions



Systems thinking  
and interdisciplinarity  
for tackling wicked problems



fMRI

Find them at the [Schedule of Courses for the Mobility Semester](#)

# An open door to an extensive catalogue of courses in English

at the University of Vienna and the Medical University of Vienna



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Link to the courses:

[Winter Semester 2024 \(Uni Wien\)](#)

[Winter Semester 2024 \(MedUni Wien\)](#)

# Projects

## CogSci Research in Vienna



# Supervision at:

- University of Vienna (UniWien)



- Austrian Institute of Technology (AIT)
- Austrian Research Institute for Artificial Intelligence (OFAI)
- Central European University (CEU) in Vienna
- Danube University Krems
- Johannes Kepler Universität Linz (JKU) in Vienna
- Konrad Lorenz Institut (KLI)
- Medical University of Vienna (MUW)
- Technical University Vienna (TU)
- University of Applied Sciences BFI Vienna (FH)
- University of Veterinary Medicine Vienna (UVM)
- Vienna University of Economics and Business (WU)

## Department of Philosophy – University of Vienna

- Knowledge creation – Markus Peschl & OCKO research group ([link](#))
  - Knowledge management
  - Innovation
  - Design thinking
- Philosophy of technology – Mark Coeckelbergh



## Faculty of Psychology

- Cognitive aesthetics, EVALab ([web](#)) – Helmut Leder, Matthew Pelowski
- Social neuroscience, SCAN-Unit ([web](#)) – Claus Lamm,
  - Empathy, Neurobiology of social decision making
- Clinical Social Neuroscience ([web](#)) – Giorgia Silani
- Neurofeedback – Frank Scharnowski
- Predictive processing, Bayesian brain – Ronald Sladky
- (Visual) Attention – Ulrich Ansorge
- Developmental psychology – Stefanie Höhl



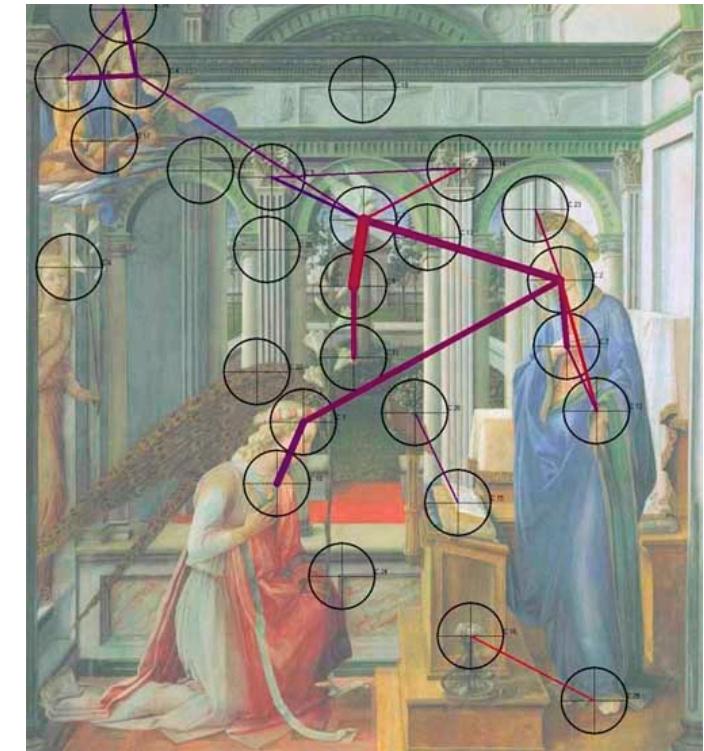
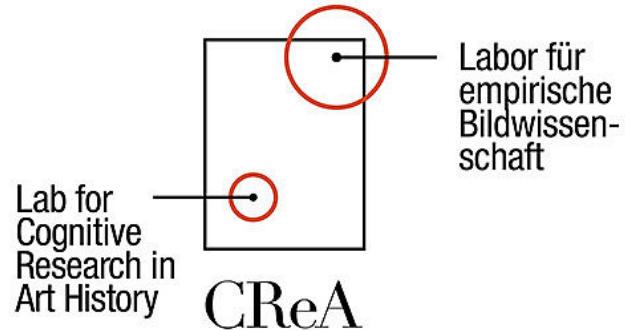
## Department of Computer Science

- Neuroinformatics – Moritz Grosse-Wentrup
  - Brain-computer interfaces
  - Neural signatures of motor skill
- Visualization, data analysis – Torsten Möller, Laura Kösten
- Educational Technologies – Renate Motschnig



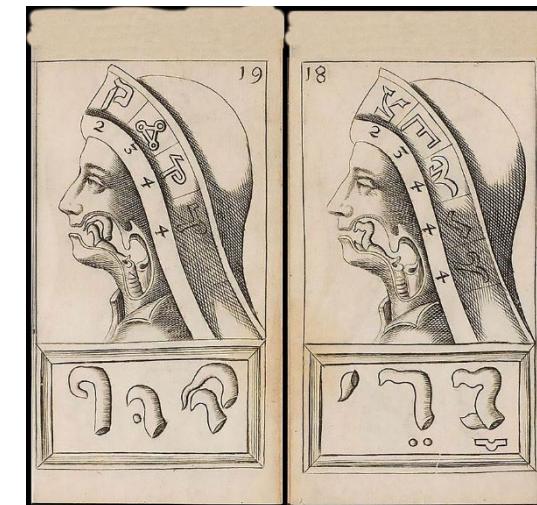
## Department of Art History - Lab for Empirical Studies in Art History

- Perception and cognition of arts – Raphael Rosenberg, Luise Reitstätter
  - Eye-tracking studies art experience



## Department of Linguistics – University of Vienna

- Neuro-, Patho-, Psycholinguistics / Psycholinguistics Lab Babelfish ([web](#)) – Jutta Müller
- Theory and history of linguistics – Daniel Bühring
- Language acquisition – Susanne Reiterer
  - Second language acquisition
  - Lexical and morphological acquisition
  - Connectionist modelling of language acquisition



## Department of English and American Studies, Department of German Studies

- Structural Analysis, research methods in linguistics, cultural aspects of language – Nikolaus Ritt
- Cognitive poetics – Thomas Eder
  - Language and Cognition (historical and linguistic perspective)
  - Metaphors
- Linguistic variation – Katherina Korecky-Kröll
- Center for Translation Studies ([web](#))
  - Cognitive processes in the workplace – Hanna Risku



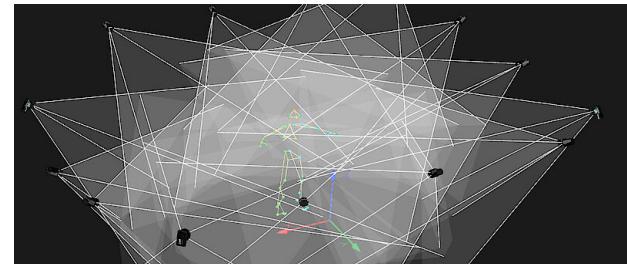
## Department of Musicology

- Musicology – Christoph Reuter, Anja-Xiaoxing Cui
  - Psychoacoustics
  - Movement in music
  - Neuroscience of music



## Media Lab

- [web](#) (only in German for now)

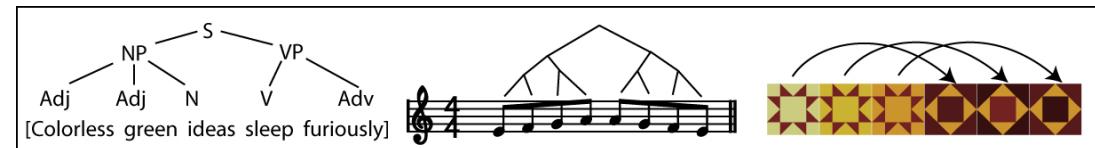


## Department of Behavioural and Cognitive Biology

- Social cognition in non-human animals – Thomas Bugnyar
  - Theory of mind
  - Empathy
  - Imitation and social learning
- Cognitive mechanisms of language, music and arts – Tecumseh Fitch



- Behavioural flexibility – Sabine Tebbich
- Human-environment interactions – Elisabeth Oberzaucher
- Brain & Language Lab – Narly Golestani



## Research Institutes: Cognitive / Behavioural Biology

- Konrad Lorenz Institute (KLI) ([web](#))
  - Theoretical biology
  - Evolutionary theory
  - Computational biology
  - Biocognition – Isabella Sarto-Jackson
- Konrad Lorenz Research Station (KLF Grünau) ([web](#))
  - Co-evolution
  - Bioacoustics
  - Anthropogenic effects
  - Citizen science

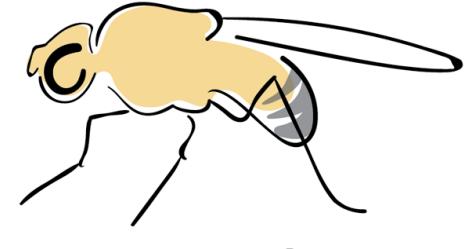
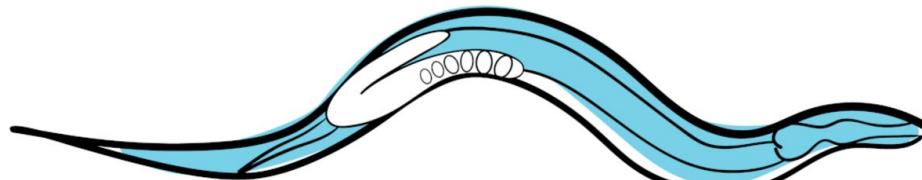


An Institute for the Advanced Study  
of Natural Complex Systems



## Department of Neuroscience and Developmental Biology

- <https://neurodevbio.univie.ac.at/>
- Sensory System development and function (in arthropods) ([web](#)) – Thomas Hummel
- Neural network dynamics/ Neural circuits ([web](#))– Manuel Zimmer



## Neuroscience Research Institutes Medical University of Vienna

- Center for Brain Research ([web](#))
  - Neuropharmacology – Margot Ernst
  - Cognitive neurobiology – Thomas Klausberger
- Neuroimaging Labs (NIL) ([web](#))
  - Neuroscience for psychiatry and psychotherapy – Rupert Lanzenberger
    - Neuropsychopharmacology
    - Neurobiology of emotion and cognition
  - High Field MR Center ([web](#))
  - Windischberger Lab ([web](#))
    - Cross-disciplinary applications of fMRI – Christian Windischberger
      - fMRI-TMS applications
      - Neural connectivity

## Artificial Intelligence

- Section for Artificial Intelligence and Decision Support (AID) – Medical University of Vienna ([web](#))
  - Models of personality and emotions, software agents – Paolo Petta
  - Neuroinformatics – [Georg Dorffner](#)
- Austrian Research Institute for Artificial Intelligence (OFAI) ([web](#))
  - Natural language processing, HCI – [Brigitte Krenn](#), [Friedrich Neubarth](#), [Stephanie Gross](#)
  - Applied cognitive science, social robotics– [Robert Trappl](#)
- Johannes Kepler Universität Linz (JKU), formerly OFAI
  - Music processing and machine learning – [Arthur Flexer](#)

## Cooperation: Danube University Krems

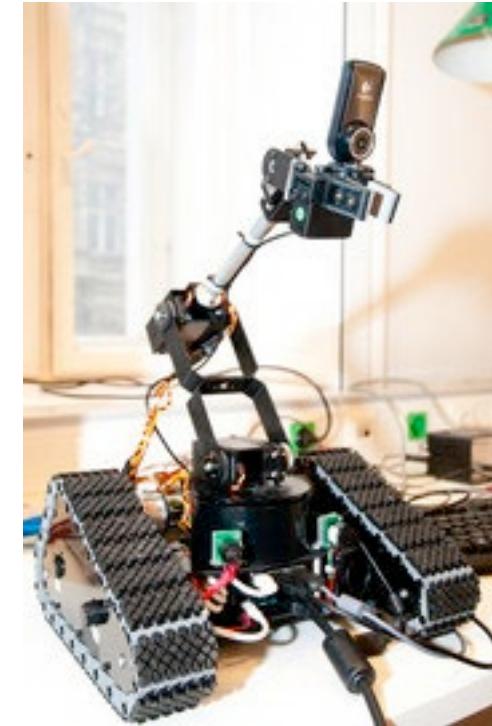
- Research Center KnowComm, Department for Knowledge and Communication Management ([web](#))
  - Socio-cognitive networks – [Lukas Zenk](#)
    - Organisational improvisation
  - Sustainability design / management – [Gerald Steiner](#)



## Cooperation: Technical University of Vienna

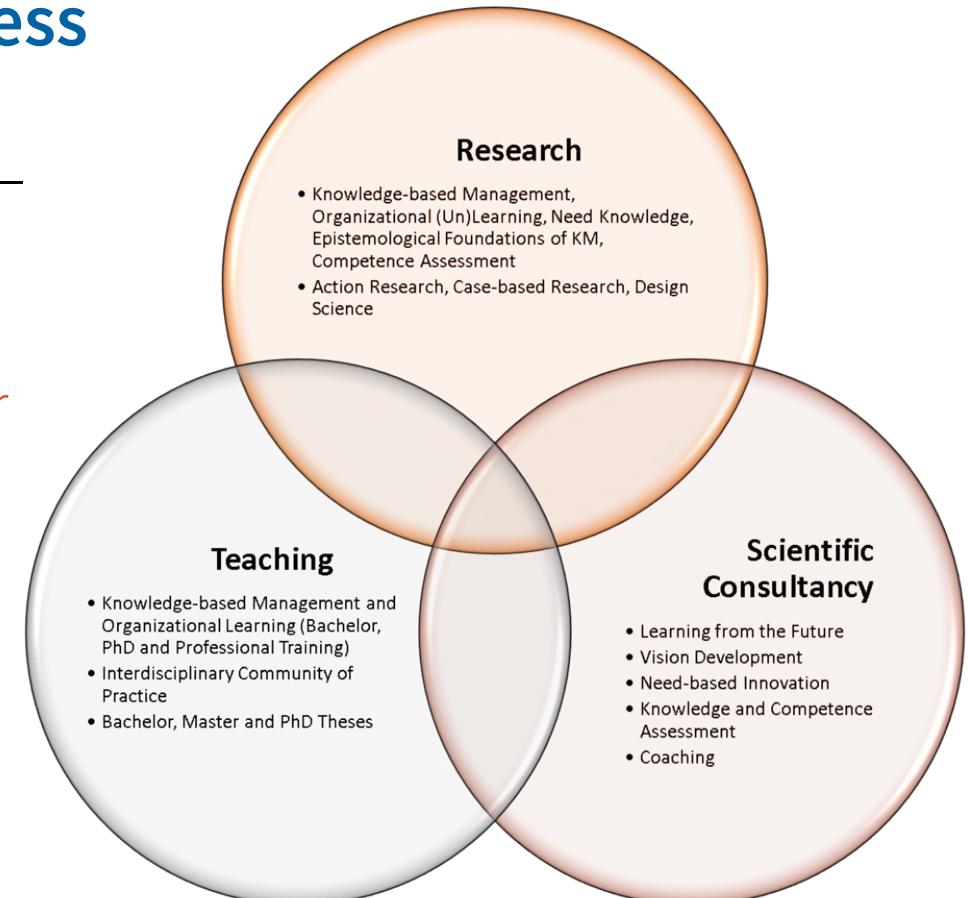
- Automation and Control Institute (ACIN) – [web](#)
  - Markus Vincze, Lara Lammer

ACIN



## Cooperation: Vienna University of Economics and Business

- Knowledge Management Group ([web](#))
  - Knowledge Management and organizational learning – [Florian Kragulj](#)
  - Vision and Innovation
  - Knowledge-based systems analysis – [Alexander Kaiser](#)
- Sustainable Computing Lab ([web](#))
  - Human needs management – [Soheil Human](#)
- Institute for Cognition and Behavior ([web](#))
  - [Susann Fiedler](#), [Hooman Habibnia](#)
- Institute for Information Systems & Society ([web](#))
  - [Sarah Spiekermann-Hoff](#), [Karin Bednar](#), [Lenart Motnikar](#)



## Cooperation: Central European University in Vienna, Dept. Of Cognitive Science

- Joint Action and Attention – Günther Knoblich, Natalie Sebanz  
SOMBY Lab – [web](#)
- Adaptive Cognition and Economics – Christophe Heintz
- Vision and Learning – Jozef Fiser



## Cooperation: Complexity Science Hub Vienna

- Complexity Science –[Hannah Metzler](#)
  - Collective decision making
  - Sentiment analysis

[web](#)



## Cooperations

- Austrian Institute of Technology
  - Biosignal Processing ([web](#)) – **Tilmann Kluge**
    - Advanced algorithms for brain signal analysis
    - Automatic EEG analysis of epilepsy
- Austrian Academy of Science
  - HEARING /Auditory perception ([web](#)) – **Bernhard Laback, Robert Baumgartner**
    - Human auditory perception
    - Perceptual deficits and auditory performance
    - Hearing with cochlear implants



## OVERVIEW FIELDS

### Departments, faculties:

- Philosophy
- Psychology
- Computer Science
- Art History
- Linguistics
- English and American Studies
- German Studies

### + Research institutes:

- Cognitive & Behavioural Biology
- Musicology
- Media
- Artificial Intelligence
- Neuroscience

### + Cooperations:

- Knowledge and Communication Management
- Automation and Control
- Complexity Science
- Economics and Business
  - Knowledge Management
  - Sustainable Computing
  - Cognition and Behavior
  - Information Systems & Society
- Technology
- Science

+ ...

## Vienna Cognitive Science Hub

- Network for all research in Cognitive Science at the University of Vienna ([web](#)).
- Offering grants and other services such as assistance to connect to other researchers and find participants etc.



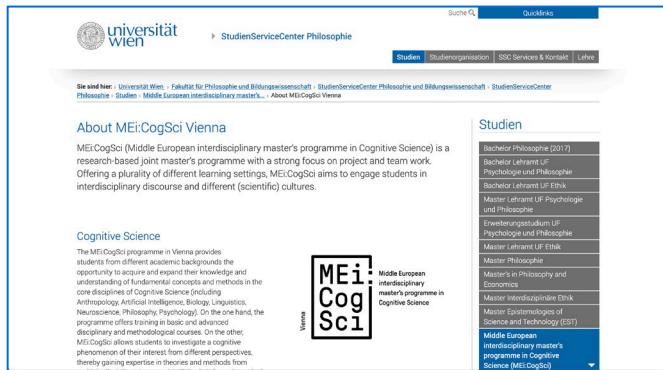
And more... 

# Essentials



- [List of projects](#)
- Information for **incoming students** [here](#)
  - ... for **outgoing students** [here](#)
- Erasmus+ in Vienna ([web](#))

# Information on the Web



The screenshot shows the homepage of the local website for the MEiCogSci Vienna program. It features the University of Vienna logo at the top left. The main content area includes a section titled "About MEiCogSci Vienna" which provides an overview of the program's focus on interdisciplinary research and project-based learning. Below this is a "Cognitive Science" section that details the program's academic focus across various disciplines like Philosophy, Psychology, and Neuroscience. A sidebar on the right lists various study programs under the heading "Studien". At the bottom right of the page is the MEiCogSci Vienna logo.

## Local website

[https://ssc-phil.univie.ac.at/studien/  
master-cognitive-science/](https://ssc-phil.univie.ac.at/studien/master-cognitive-science/)



## Welcome Guide University of Vienna

[https://studieren.univie.ac.at/  
en/welcome-guide/](https://studieren.univie.ac.at/en/welcome-guide/)



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# Key portals & dates

**u:find** - find courses, course information and register for courses at the University of Vienna  
<https://ufind.univie.ac.at/>

**u:space** - find all your study relevant documents and information at the University of Vienna  
<https://uspace.univie.ac.at/>

**Med.Campus** - find and register for courses at the Medical University of Vienna:  
<https://campus.meduniwien.ac.at/med.campus/>

**Academic Year** to find general dates (and holidays)

at the University of Vienna <https://studieren.univie.ac.at/en/semester-planning/the-academic-year/>

and the Medical University of Vienna <https://www.meduniwien.ac.at/web/en/studierende/service-center/akademischer-kalender/>

# Student-led communities

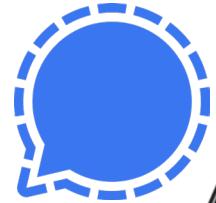


Erasmus Student Network

*„intercultural link between  
foreign and local students“*

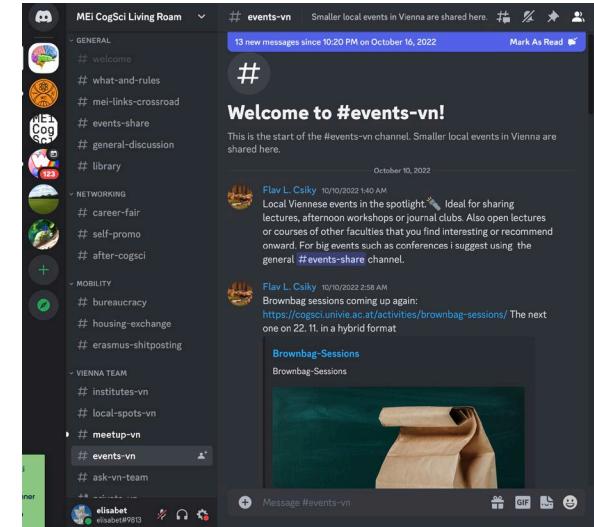


**Buddy System** [UniWien](#)



*„cross-any-cohort synapse  
node of Viennese cogscies“*

**Signal group:** [CogSci Meetup](#)



*„exchanges, students, alumni,  
events, networking & 4 cogsci cities“*

**Discord:** [Mei Cog Sci Living Roam](#)

# Have a great mobility!

