

Name of module	Soft Skills
Responsible	Prof. Dr. Manfred Herbert Prof. Dr. Robert Richert
Qualification goals	
Module Content	<p>1 Research Methodology (Prof. Dr. Herbert)</p> <p>1.1 Theory of Science: Basic Concepts, Objectives of Science, Linguistic Foundations, Definitions, Scientific Statements, Arguments, History of Science and Scientific Methods, Ethics of Science, Role of Value Judgments and Norms, Kinds of Scientific Literature</p> <p>1.2 How to Write a Thesis: Finding and Structuring a Topic, Time Management, Literature Research and Literature Analysis, Thesis Structure, Formal and Linguistic Presentation, Citing Sources, List of References</p> <p>2 Rhetoric (Prof. Dr. Richert)</p> <p>2.1 Reasoning 2.2 Biases and Fallacies 2.3 Communication Theory, Models and Methods 2.4 Intercultural Communication</p>
Teaching methods	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - lectures and exercises - self-study - case studies - discussions - student presentations
Necessary Previous Knowledge	None
Literature	
Author instructive letter	/
Utilization	<p>This module is closely related to the following modules of the same study program:</p> <p>-</p> <p>This module is also suitable for other economics-oriented study courses at Schmalkalden University of Applied Sciences.</p>
Student Work Load	<p>150 h total,</p> <p>1) Lectures: 60 2) self-studies: 90</p>
European Credit Transfer Points	<p>5 ECTS:</p> <p>a) Economics and International Business and Economics: 5/180 b) Political Economics and Operational Economics: 5/210</p>
Method and Extent of Examination	written examination 90 minutes (100%)
Semester	1st/3rd Semester
Frequency	every academic year
Duration	1 Semester
Type of course (compulsory, choice etc.)	Obligatory module
Remarks	