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**Macroeconomics of Inequality**  
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 LS (Seminar) **Seminar for Macroeconomics**  
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Inequality along various dimensions has been moving more and more to the center stage of macroeconomics. The questions asked in this context range from understanding inequality as an outcome of interest by itself to understanding the role of inequality for aggregate relationships: E.g., what are mechanisms explaining the inequality in wealth, or in income? To which extent does individual-level risk and public policy shape the observed inequality? Does the heterogeneity at the micro level (like the distribution of wealth) matter for the effect of some policy intervention (like stimulus checks) on some aggregate outcome (like GDP)? This seminar deals with these and related questions: among other things, it explores risks faced over the life cycle, and different channels of insurance. It asks questions related to the lack of private insurance against some risks, the implications of societal trends for the design of public insurance schemes, or the equity-efficiency trade-off related to insurance, among others.

<b>Studiengang:</b> <i>Program:</i>	BSc
<b>Termin Vorbesprechung (tt.mm.jjjj):</b> <i>Date of preliminary meeting (dd.mm.yyyy):</i>	18.07.2024, 10:00
<b>*Bearbeitungszeitraum für die Hausarbeit:</b> <i>*Working period for term paper:</i>	01.10.2024-29.10.2024
<b>*Seminartermin:</b> <i>*Seminar date:</i>	04.11.2024/05.11.2024
<b>Veranstaltungsort:</b> <i>Venue:</i>	LMU
<b>falls außerhalb: Kostenschätzung:</b> <i>if out of Munich: estimated costs:</i>	- €
<b>Sprache:</b> <i>Language:</i>	English
<b>Empfohlene Vorkenntnisse:</b> <i>Recommended courses:</i>	
<b>Methodischer Schwerpunkt:</b> <i>Methodological background:</i>	
<b>*Grundlagenliteratur:</b> <i>*Basic references:</i>	Selected articles that will be discussed in the preliminary meeting.
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\* Optional (falls schon bekannt) / optionally (if already known)