

Topics for Bachelor Theses

Social science topic from a spatial perspective or with spatial implications and/or with the use of geographic information technology (GIS) and spatial (business) analytics. Examples include regional economic growth, uneven spatial development, regional economic development, spatial and social polarization, spatial accessibility and connectedness of regions/markets, the role of neighborhood effects, the scope and limits of globalization, etc.

Most of the bachelor thesis will be in form of critical literature reviews, but (conventional) quantitative (and/or GIS-based) data analysis or qualitative case studies are possible.

Bachelor theses can be in English or German.

Specific topics by Jürgen Essletzbichler

- Economic geography, urban and regional economics/development
- Rising inequality
- Gentrification and social exclusion in cities
- Socio-economic changes and the rise of the populist right

Specific topics by Petra Stauer-Steinnocher

- Spatial variation of increasing inequality (literature review and GIS-based analysis focusing on a single country or region)
- Changes in the Vienna housing market and social segregation (GIS-based space-time panel analysis)
- Marketing in a regional context, geomarketing, spatial business intelligence
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Specific topics by Mathias Moser

- Regional Elections and Voting Behaviour
- How does Inequality affect Migration?

Specific topics by Franziska Disslbacher

- The effect of increasing inequality on voting behavior (Literaturarbeit und/oder Empirie)
- Immigration and voting behaviour (Literaturarbeit und/oder empirische Arbeit)
- Industrial decline and voting behaviour (Literaturarbeit und/oder empirische Arbeit)
- How can we measure Richness? (Literaturarbeit)