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The GSERM Global School in Empirical Research Methods at the University of St.Gallen is a 3.5 week integrated programme teaching research methodology. We welcome PhD students, Master students, Post-Docs and professionals of all fields but also members of academia.

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General Information for students

- ✓ 5-day intensive courses
  (max. 1 course per week)
- ✓ 4 ECTS per course/week
- ✓ CHF 1100 for 1 course/week
  CHF 2100 for 2 courses/weeks
  CHF 3000 for 3 courses/weeks
- ✓ CHF 100 Early Bird discount
  until 28 February 2026 (flat rate)
- ✓ Accommodation as from CHF 450
  per week
- ✓ Application deadline: 30 April 2026

WORKSHOP
LECTURES
4 - 6 June 2026
(bookable with at
least one course)

1st session: 8 - 12 June 2026

Instructor	Course	Level
Amanda K. Montoya	Mediation, Moderation, and Conditional Process Analysis I	M
Edward Kwartler	Natural Language Processing with Bag of Words & LLM Methods	M
Kunpeng Zhang	Generative AI with LLMs	A
Patrik Aspers	Empirical Phenomenology: The Practice of Ethnography	B
Peer Fiss	Qualitative Comparative Analysis	M
Tasha Fairfield	Bayesian Process Tracing and Comparative Analysis for Case Studies	M
Timothy McDaniel	Regression I - Introduction	B
Tobias Sutter	Optimization for Data Science	A

2nd session: 15 - 19 June 2026

Instructor	Course	Level
Amanda K. Montoya	Structural Equation Models	M
Andrew Bennett	Case Study Methods	B
Antonia Krefeld-Schwalb	Meta-Analysis and Meta-Studies: Research Synthesis and Generalizability	M
Brett Lantz	Machine Learning with R - Introduction	B
Damian Borth, Marco Schreyer	Deep Learning: Fundamentals & Applications	M
Melanie Clegg, Moritz Jörling	GenAI Tools in Empirical Research	B
Reto Hofstetter	Data Scraping and Management for Social Scientists with R	B
Timothy McDaniel	Regression Analysis II - Linear Model	M

3rd session: 22 - 26 June 2026

Instructor	Course	Level
Brett Lantz	Machine Learning with R - Advanced	M
Christopher Zorn	Analyzing Panel Data	A
Damian Borth, Korbinian Riedhammer	Deep Learning for Generative AI	M
Dirk Wulff, Zakir Hussain	Applying open-source LLMs in Social and Behavioral Sciences	B
Femke van Horen	Experimental Research Design and Analyses	M
Gabriella M. Harari	Mobile Sensing Methods	B
Paul Mihas	Qualitative Research Methods & Data Analysis	B
Xi Chen	Causal Inference	M

All courses on PhD level.

B = Basic (little or no statistical skills) / M = Intermediate (some knowledge in statistics / A = Advanced (fundamental skills in statistics)