

Course announcement and syllabus

Climate Dynamics
(Master-Pflicht-Modul P4)

- Instructors: [Johannes Mülmenstädt](#) (Lecture)
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- Location: Seminarraum, vor dem Hospitaltore (Lecture)
CIP-Pool (Exercises)
- Zeit: Wednesdays, 15:30–17:00 (Lecture)
Wednesdays, 12:30–14:00 (Exercises)
- Start date: Wednesday, 12 April 2017 (Lecture)
Wednesday, 26 April 2017 (Exercises)
- Topics: Radiation and greenhouse effect; dynamics and general circulation of oceans and atmosphere; internal variability; forcing and feedbacks; anthropogenic climate change
- Exam: Oral (30 min.) in July, by appointment
- Textbooks: Peixoto and Oort (1991): Physics of Climate
Hartmann (1994): Global Physical Climatology
Stewart (2005): [Introduction to Physical Oceanography \(open-source textbook\)](#)

Syllabus

- 12 April Introduction
- 19 April Radiation
- 26 April Atmosphere
- 3 May General circulation of the atmosphere
- 10 May General circulation of the oceans I
- 17 May General circulation of the oceans II
- 24 May Lithosphere, biosphere, cryosphere

- 31 May Internal variability; ENSO
- 7 June Forcing and feedbacks in the climate system
- 14 June Robust projections of climate change
- 21 June Uncertainties in climate projections due to clouds and aerosol
- 28 June Attribution of climate change to anthropogenic activities
- 5 July Social aspects of climate change; Review