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Course announcement and syllabus

Climate Dynamics

(Master-Pflicht-Modul P4)

Instructor: J. Mülmenstädt

Location: Seminarraum, vor dem Hospitaltore (Lecture)

CIP-Pool (Exercises)

Zeit: Tuesdays, 15:15—16:45 (Lecture)

Thursdays, 11:45-13:00 (Exercises)

Start date: Tuesday, 14 April 2015

Themes: Dynamics of oceans and atmosphere; budgets of energy and

momentum; energy cycles; general circulation of the oceans and atmosphere;

modes of 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)

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14 April Introduction

21 April Atmosphere

28 April Ocean I

5 May Ocean II

12 May Land, biosphere, cryosphere

19 May Radiation

26 May General circulation

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2 June Internal variability; ENSO; tropical dynamics

9 June Feedbacks

18 June Robust projections of climate change

23 June Attribution of climate change to anthropogenic forcing

30 June Uncertainties in climate projections due to clouds and aerosol

7 July Social aspects of climate change

14 July Review