

Classification system of teaching and research fields and subject areas used by the Federal Statistical Office As of 2025		
Area of Study (Subject group)	Teaching and Research Field	Subject Area
Humanities	Protestant Theology	Protestant Theology (General)
		Old Testament (Protestant Theology)
		Protestant Social Welfare Studies
		Historical Theology (Protestant Theology)
		New Testament (Protestant Theology)
		Practical Theology and Religious Education (Protestant Theology)
		History of Religion and Missionary Studies (Protestant Theology)
	Catholic Theology	Systematic Theology (Protestant Theology)
		Catholic Theology (General)
		Old Catholic Theology
		Biblical Theology (Catholic Theology)
		Catholic Social Welfare Studies
		Historical Theology (Catholic Theology)
		Canon Law (Catholic Theology)
	Philosophy	Practical Theology and Religious Education (Catholic Theology)
		Systematic Theology (Catholic Theology)
		Philosophy (General)
		Didactics of Philosophy/Ethics
	History	History of Philosophy
		Logic
		Religious Studies
		History (General)
		Ancient History
		Archaeology
		Didactics of History
		Cultural and Intellectual History
		Regional History
		Medieval History
		Modern and Contemporary History
		Prehistory and Early History
		Economic and Social History
	Information and Library Sciences	History of Science/History of Technology
		Information and Library Sciences in General
		Archive and Documentation Science
		Library Science (not for Universities of Public Administration)
	General and Comparative Literatures and Languages	Information Science
		General and Comparative Literatures and Languages (General)
		General and Comparative Literature
		General and Comparative Linguistics
		Applied Linguistics, Career-Oriented Foreign Language Training
		Computer Linguistics
	Classical Philology	Foreign Language Training
		Classical Philology (General)
		Byzantine Studies
		Didactics of Classical Philology
		Greek Philology
		Latin Philology
German Studies (German, Germanic Languages excl. English)	Old Greek	
	Papyrology	
	German Studies (German, Germanic Languages excl. English) (General)	
	German as a Foreign Language or Second Language	
	German Literature	
	German Linguistics	
	Didactics of the German Language	
English Studies, American Studies	Dutch Studies	
	Scandinavian Studies	
	American Studies	
	English Studies	
Romance Studies	Didactics of English	
	Business English and Specialised English	
	Romance Studies (General)	
	Didactics of French	
	Didactics of Italian	
	Didactics of Spanish	
	French Language and Literature	
	Ibero-Romance Language and Literature	
	Italian Language and Literature	
Other Romance Languages		
Slavonic, Baltic, Finno-Ugrian Studies	Slavonic, Baltic, Finno-Ugrian Studies (General)	
	Slavic Studies (Slavic Philology, not including Sorbian Studies)	
	Balkan Studies	
	Baltic Studies	
	Finno-Ugrian Studies	
Other Linguistics and Cultural Studies	Sorabistics	
	Other Linguistics and Cultural Studies in General	
	African Studies	
	Egyptology	
	Ancient Oriental Studies	
	Non-European Languages and Cultures of America	
	Non-European Languages and Cultures of Australia	
Indian Studies		

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Humanities	Other Linguistics and Cultural Studies	Iranian Studies	
		Islamic Studies	
		Japanese Studies	
		Jewish Studies / Hebrew	
		Caucasian Studies	
		Korean Studies	
		Semitic Studies, Arabic Studies	
		Sinology	
		Languages and Cultures of the Christian Orient	
		Languages and Cultures of the Near and Middle East	
		Languages and Cultures of Southeast Asia and Oceania	
		Languages and Cultures of Central Asia	
		Turkish Studies	
		General Cultural Studies	
Cultural Studies (In the Narrower Sense)	Ethnology		
	European Ethnology		
	Folklore Studies		
	Islamic Studies/Islamic Theology		
Media Studies	Media Studies		
Humanities (General)	Humanities (General)		
	Interdisciplinary Studies (Focus on Humanities)		
Area of Study (Subject group)	Teaching and Research Field	Subject Area	
Mathematics, Natural Sciences	Mathematics	Mathematics (General)	
		Algebra, Discrete Mathematics and Number Theory	
		Analysis	
		Didactics of Mathematics	
		Geometry and Topology	
		Mathematics in Science and Technology	
		Mathematical Stochastics, Financial and Actuarial Mathematics	
		Numerical Mathematics and Mathematical Optimisation	
		Physics, Astronomy	Physics, Astronomy (General)
			Astrophysics and Astronomy
	Chemical Physics and Polymer Physics		
	Didactics of Physics		
	Elementary Particles, Nuclei and Fields		
	Solid State, Surface and Material Physics		
	Optics, Quantum Optics, Physics of Atoms, Molecules and Plasmas		
	Statistical and Biological Physics, Nonlinear Dynamics and Soft Matter		
	Chemistry		Chemistry (General)
			Analytical Chemistry
		Inorganic Chemistry	
		Biochemistry (for Chemical Scientists)	
		Didactics of Chemistry	
		Electrochemistry	
		Food Chemistry	
		Macromolecular Chemistry	
		Materials Chemistry	
		Nuclear Chemistry	
		Surface Chemistry and Nanochemistry	
		Organic Chemistry	
		Physical Chemistry	
		Engineering Chemistry	
		Theoretical Chemistry	
	Environmental and Atmospheric Chemistry		
	Pharmacy	Pharmacy (General)	
		Clinical Pharmaceutics	
		Pharmacology and Toxicology (Pharmacy)	
		Pharmaceutical Biology / Pharmacognosy	
		Pharmaceutical Chemistry	
		Pharmaceutical Technology	
	Biology	Biology (General)	
		Anthropology (Human Biology)	
		Biochemistry (for Biologists)	
		Biophysics	
		Biotechnology (for Biologists)	
		Botany	
		Didactics of Biology	
		Genetics	
		Microbiology	
Neurobiology			
Ecology			
Zoology			
Earth Sciences (excl. Geography)		Earth Sciences (General)	
	Geochemistry		
	Geology		
	Geoecology		
	Geophysics		
	Hydrology		
	Meteorology		
	Crystallography		
	Mineralogy		
	Oceanography		
Palaeontology			

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Mathematics, Natural Sciences	Earth Sciences (excl. Geography)	Petrology, Petrography	
	Geography	Geography (General)	
		Human Geography	
		Didactics of Geography	
		Geographic Area Studies and Regional Geography	
		Geoinformatics / Geoinformation Systems	
		Landscape Ecology/Biogeography	
		Physical Geography	
		Economic and Social Geography	
	Mathematics, Natural Sciences (General)	Mathematics, Natural Sciences (General)	
	Interdisciplinary Studies (Natural Science)		
Specialised Didactics of Natural Sciences			
Statistics			
Area of Study (Subject group)	Teaching and Research Field	Subject Area	
Human Medicine/ Health Sciences	Health Sciences	Health Sciences (General)	
		Occupational Therapy	
		Health Economics	
		Health Education	
		Health Science/Management	
		Midwifery Science	
		Speech and Language Therapy	
		Nursing Science	
		Physiotherapy	
		Pre-Clinical Medical Studies (incl. Dentistry)	Pre-Clinical Medical Studies (General)
	Anatomy/Neuroanatomy		
	Medical Biology		
	Medical Chemistry		
	Medical Physics		
	Medical Psychology		
	Medical Sociology		
	Medical Terminology		
	Physiology/Neurophysiology		
	Physiological Chemistry (Biochemistry)		
	Radiology / Radiotherapy (General)		
	Pre-Clinical Dentistry		
	Clinical Theoretical Medicine (incl. Dentistry)		Clinical Theoretical Medicine (General)
			Industrial/Occupational Medicine (Clinical-Theoretical)
			Biomathematics (for Medical Scientists)
			Biomedical Engineering
			Epidemiology
			Experimental Medicine / Medical Research (excl. Clinical Medicine)
		History of Medicine	
		Human Genetics	
		Hygiene and Medical Microbiology	
		Immunology	
		Clinical Chemistry and Haematology	
		Clinical Cancer Research and Molecular Tumour Research	
		Medical Balneology and Climatology	
		Medical Biophysics and Electron Microscopy	
		Medical Informatics (for Medical Scientists)	
		Medical Statistics and Documentation	
		Parasitology	
		Pathology, Neuropathology	
		Pharmacology and Toxicology (Medical)	
		Preventive Medicine	
		Radiology (Diagnostic, No Beds)	
		Forensic/Legal Medicine	
		Sexual Medicine	
		Social Medicine (Clinical-Theoretical)	
		Virology	
		Clinical-Practical Medicine (excl. Dentistry)	Clinical-Practical Medicine (General)
			General Medicine
			Anaesthesiology
			Industrial/Occupational Medicine (Clinical-Practical)
			Ophthalmology
			Surgery
			Dermato-Venerology
	Geriatrics / Gerontology		
	Gynaecology		
	Otolaryngology		
	Internal Medicine		
	Paediatrics		
	Child and Adolescent Psychiatry		
	Neurosurgery		
	Neurology		
	Orthopaedics		
	Pathology (in clinical practice)		
	Pharmacology (in clinical practice)		
	Physical Medicine		
	Psychiatry		
	Psychosomatic Medicine and Psychotherapy		
	Radiology / Radiotherapy / Nuclear Medicine (With Beds)		
	Rehabilitation		

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Human Medicine/ Health Sciences	Clinical-Practical Medicine (excl. Dentistry)	Rheumatology
		Social Medicine (Clinical-Practical)
		Sports Medicine (Clinical-Practical)
		Tumour Centre and Transfusion Medicine
		Urology
	Dentistry (Clinical-Practical)	Dentistry (General)
		Orthodontics
		Dental Prosthetics
		Conservative Dentistry and Parodontology
		Dental and Oral Surgery
Human Medicine (General)	Human Medicine (General)	
	Didactics of Medicine	
Area of Study (Subject group)	Teaching and Research Field	Subject Area
Agriculture, Forestry and Nutritional Science, Veterinary Medicine	Pre-Clinical Veterinary Medicine	Pre-Clinical Veterinary Medicine (General)
		Anatomy, Embryology and Histology (in Veterinary Medicine)
		Physiology, Biochemistry and Nutritional Physiology (in Veterinary Medicine)
		Animal Welfare, Medical Terminology, History of Veterinary Medicine
		Veterinary Zoology and Hydrobiology
	Clinical-Theoretical Veterinary Medicine	Clinical-Theoretical Veterinary Medicine (General)
		Meat, Food and Milk Hygiene
		Microbiology, Virology, Livestock Hygiene and Epizootic Disease Control
		Parasitology, Tropical Veterinary Medicine
		Pharmacology, Toxicology and Medical Prescription Theory (in Veterinary Medicine)
		Livestock Nutrition, General Agriculture, Behavioural Science
		Livestock Breeding, Veterinary Genetics and Breeding Hygiene
		Laboratory Animals and Ichthyology incl. Diseases
		Veterinary Pathology
		Clinical-Practical Veterinary Medicine (General)
	Clinical-Practical Veterinary Medicine	Andrology and Domestic Animal Insemination
		Legal Veterinary Medicine
		Internal Veterinary Medicine incl. Laboratory Diagnostics
		Diseases of Pets and Farm Animals
		Veterinary Clinic (General)
	Veterinary Medicine (General)	Veterinary Surgery
		Veterinary Obstetrics and Gynaecology
	Landscape Design/Nature Conservation	Veterinary Medicine (General)
		Landscape Design/Nature Conservation (General)
		Landscape Architecture (excl. Horticulture)
		Landscape Ecology
		Landscape Planning and Development
		Nature Conservation
Agriculture, Food and Beverage Technology		Agriculture (General)
		Agricultural Biology
		Agricultural Engineering
		Brewing / Beverage Technology
	Horticulture	
	Food/Beverage Technology	
	Dairy Management	
	Plant Production	
	Animal Husbandry	
	Enology and Cellar Management	
Economics and Social Sciences of Farming		
Forestry, Wood Management	Forestry, Wood Management (General)	
	Specialised Forestry	
	Basic Forestry	
	Wood Management	
	Wood Science	
Nutritional and Domestic Science	Nutritional and Domestic Science (General)	
	Nutritional Science	
Agriculture, Forestry and Nutritional Science (General)	Domestic Science	
	Agriculture, Forestry and Nutritional Science (General)	
	Applied Biotechnology (in Agriculture, Forestry and Nutritional Science)	
	Applied Mechanical Engineering (in Agriculture, Forestry and Nutritional Science)	
	Applied Natural Sciences (in Agriculture, Forestry and Nutritional Science)	
Engineering	Industrial Engineering (Engineering Focus)	Applied Process Engineering (in Agriculture, Forestry and Nutritional Science)
		Industrial Engineering (Engineering Focus)
	Mining, Metallurgy	Mining, Metallurgy (General)
		Archaeometry (Archaeological Engineering)
		Processing and Refining
		Mining Business Administration
		Mining and Mineral Raw Material Management
		Mining Engineering
		Mining Law and Management
		Metallurgy and Foundry Studies
Mine Surveying, Mining Damage, Geophysics in Mining		
Metallurgy		
Mechanical/Process Engineering	Mechanical Engineering/Process Engineering in General	
	Automation Technology	
	Biochemical Engineering	
	Chemical Engineering	
	Energy Process Engineering	
	Precision Engineering (Mechanical)	
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Engineering	Industrial Engineering (Engineering Focus)	Industrial Engineering (Engineering Focus)
		Mining, Metallurgy (General)
	Mining, Metallurgy	Archaeometry (Archaeological Engineering)
		Processing and Refining
		Mining Business Administration
		Mining and Mineral Raw Material Management
		Mining Engineering
		Mining Law and Management
		Metallurgy and Foundry Studies
		Mine Surveying, Mining Damage, Geophysics in Mining
Metallurgy		
Mechanical/Process Engineering		Mechanical Engineering/Process Engineering in General
	Automation Technology	
	Biochemical Engineering	
	Chemical Engineering	
	Energy Process Engineering	
	Precision Engineering (Mechanical)	

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Engineering	Mechanical/Process Engineering	Wood Engineering
		Plastics Engineering
		Logistics
		Medical Engineering
		Physical Engineering/Mechanical Process Engineering
		Print and Media Technology
		Production and Manufacturing Engineering
		Safety Engineering
		Instrumentation and Control Engineering
		Technical/Applied Optics
		Textile Engineering
		Thermal Process Engineering
		Transport and Distribution Engineering
		Environmental Engineering (incl. Recycling)
		Supply and Waste Disposal Engineering
	Electrical, Computer and Information Engineering	Electrical and Information Engineering (General)
		General Electrical Engineering
		Electrical Energy Engineering
		Precision Engineering (Electrical)
		Communications, Computer and Information Engineering
		Micro- and Nanoelectronics
		Microsystems Engineering
		Opto-Electronics
		Sensor and Measuring Technology
		Instrumentation and Control Engineering (Electrical)
	Transport Engineering, Nautical Science	Transport Engineering, Nautical Science (General)
		Automotive and Aircraft Engineering
		Automotive Engineering
		Aerospace Engineering
		Nautical Science, Maritime Navigation
		Shipbuilding and Marine Engineering, Ocean Engineering
	Architecture	Transport Engineering
		Architecture (General)
		History of Architecture and Construction
		Civil Engineering and Construction
		Monument Conservation (Architecture)
		Building Design / Facilities Planning
		Design and Depiction
		Principles and Auxiliary Sciences of Architecture
		Interior Design
		Urban Planning and Housing Development
	Spatial Planning	Spatial Planning (General)
		Principles of Spatial Planning
		Infrastructure Planning
		Regional Planning
		Regional and National Planning
		Urban Planning (Town Planning)
Civil Engineering	Environmental Protection	
	Civil Engineering (General)	
	Construction Engineering/Management	
	Building Informatics	
	Building Material Technology	
	Structural Engineering	
	Transport Engineering, Transport	
Hydraulic Engineering, Hydrosience		
Other Areas of Civil Engineering		
Surveying	Surveying (General)	
	Cartography	
	Photogrammetry	
Computer Science	Computer Science (General)	
	Applied Computer Science	
	Bioinformatics	
	Computer and Communications Technology	
	Engineering Informatics / Technical Computer Science	
	Artificial Intelligence	
	Software Technology	
	Theoretical Computer Science	
Business Informatics (for Computer Scientists)		
Materials Science and Materials Engineering	Materials Science	
	Materials Engineering	
Engineering (General)	Engineering (General)	
	Interdisciplinary Studies (Engineering Focus, excl. Mechatronics)	
	Mechatronics	
	Media Technology	
	Renewable Energies	
	Public Health Engineering	
Area of Study (Subject group)	Teaching and Research Field	Subject Area
Art, Art Theory	Fine Arts	Fine Arts (General)
		Live Art, Performance, Environment, Photography
		Graphic Arts
		Painting
		New Media
		Sculpture

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Art, Art Theory	Design	Design (General)
		Applied Art
		Stage Design, Costumes
		Design Theory, History of Design
		Gemstone and Jewellery Design
		Graphic/Communications Design
		Industrial/Product Design
		Fashion Design
		Textile Design
		Visual Communication
		Handicraft Education (Design)
	Performing Arts, Film and Television, Theatre Studies	Performing Arts, Film and Television, Theatre Studies (General)
		Performing Arts
		Film and Television
		Music Theatre
		Production Management in Performing Arts, Theatre, Film and Television
		Directing
		Acting
		Dance Theatre
		Theatre Studies
		Music (General)
	Music	Conducting
		Singing
		Instrumental Music
		Jazz and Popular Music
		Church Music
Composition		
Orchestral Music		
Rhythm		
Other Musical Practice		
Art Studies/Art Education (General)		
Art Studies/Art Education	Art Education	
	Art History	
	Art Therapy	
Musicology/Music Education	Musicology/Music Education (General)	
	Music Education	
Art, Art Theory (General)	Musicology, History of Music	
	Art (General)	
Law and Public Administration	Law	Restoration
		Law (General)
		Labour Law
		Civil Law
		European Community Law
		Commercial Law
		International and Comparative Law
		Canon/Ecclesiastical Law
		Criminology
		Public Law
		Civil Law (excl. Labour Law)
		Procedural Law
		Philosophy of Law and Government
		History of Law
		Legal Information Systems
		Social Welfare Law
		Tax Law
		Criminal Law
		Insurance Law
	Public Administration	Economic/Business Law
		Public Administration (General)
		Civil Service Studies
		Labour and Social Administration, Careers Guidance
		Archival and Library Studies
		Foreign Affairs
		Federal Armed Forces, Justice and Police
Financial, Customs and Tax Administration		
Economics	Economics and Business	Post and Telecommunications
		Transport Administration
		Economics and Business (General)
		Ergonomics / Occupational Science
		Business Administration
		Public Finance
		International Economics
		Media Economy/Management
		Econometrics
		Sports Management/Economics
		Tourism
		Environmental Economics
		Transport Economics
		Insurance
		Economics
		Business Informatics (for Industrial Engineers)

Area of Study (Subject group)	Teaching and Research Field	Subject Area
Economics	Economics and Business	Business Informatics (for Economists)
		Business Mathematics
		Business Education
		Business Statistics
		Industrial Engineering (Economics Focus)
Economics	Industrial Engineering (Economics Focus)	Facility Management
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Social and Behavioural Sciences, Sport	Regional Studies	African Studies
		Latin American Studies
		Near and Middle Eastern Studies
		North American Studies
		Northern and Western European Studies
		East Asian Studies
		East and Southeast European Studies
		South Asian Studies
		Southeast Asian and Oceanian Studies
		Political Science in General
		International Politics, International Relations
	Political Science	Political Education
		Political Systems
		Political Theory and History of Ideas
		Social Sciences/Sociology in General
	Social Sciences/Sociology	Demography
		Empiricism and Methods
		Social Studies
		Sociological Theory
		Special Sociologies
		Social Services (General)
		Social Work
	Social Services	Social Education
		Psychology (General)
		General and Cognitive Psychology
		Occupational, Organisational and Business Psychology
		Biological and Neuropsychology
		Differential and Personality Psychology and Diagnostics
		Developmental Psychology
		Clinical Psychology, Diagnostics and Psychotherapy
		Methods and Evaluation in Psychology
		Educational Psychology
	Social Psychology	
	Psychology	Education (General)
		Vocational and Business Education
		Didactics
		Empirical Educational Research
		Adult Education
		Primary Education
		Historical Educational Research
		Intercultural and International Comparative Education
		Early Childhood Education
		Cultural and Media Education
		Leisure Education and Physical Education
		School Education
		Special Education
		Communication/Media Studies
Sport, Sports Science	Sports Sciences (General)	
	Didactics of Sport	
	Sports Medicine	
	Physical Education / Sport Psychology	
Social and Behavioural Sciences	Social and Behavioural Sciences	
	Interdisciplinary Studies (focus on Social and Behavioural Sciences)	
	Science Studies / Theory of Science	