

Bachelor Seminar Paper Information for  
Real Estate Economics Bachelor (VWL, IMMO and  
BWL) Block Literature Ski Seminar in WS2024 (Jan.  
13-16, 2025)

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- **Objective:** This block seminar brings students in direct contact with the current real estate economics literature. Candid and critical discussion of current literature and industry issues is followed by a question-and-answer period.

## 1 General Comments about the seminar paper

### 1.1 Place

We have a nice place at Gasthaus Jakober, Hnr. 169, 6236 Alpbach, Tirol / Österreich for the seminar:

<https://www.gasthof-jakober.at/home.html>

## 2 Registration.

Please send your interest to [Sekretariat.Lee@ur.de](mailto:Sekretariat.Lee@ur.de) with the following information by **JULY 21, 2024**.

- VWL, IMMO, or BWL student with your Matr.Nr.
- Skiing, Snowboarding or either.
- Max number of students: 9.
- Further info to follow but to get an idea, please go to our Bachelor Seminar/Thesis site on GRIPS.

<https://elearning.uni-regensburg.de/course/view.php?id=2847> ) (PW: Seminar1)

- **You can also register on FlexNow starting June 19, 2024, BUT you WON'T be officially enrolled UNTIL we officially accept you AFTER JULY 21, 2024.**

## 2.1 Costs

- Rooms and Breakfasts: approx. €30-35 per person per night. But the other costs, such as lunch, dinners, drinks, and skiing, are ALL extra.
- Rooms: we have reserved shared rooms (double or four beds) for 9 students (and 3 from the Lst.)

## 2.2 To get there:

- Über München – Salzburg A8 – Abfahrt A93– Richtung Verona/Brenner (A12) – Abzweigung Exit 32: Kramsach/Alpbachtal - Take Alpbacher Landesstrasse to Alpbach

## 3 Topics and Seminar Structure

- Topics for the seminar is updated annually.
- Seminar paper / presentation can be done either in English or German.
- For those of you who are planning (or thinking about) to write your Bachelorarbeit with me, you could build your Bachelorarbeit on your seminar paper: that is, you could take the same topic for your Bachelorarbeit from the seminar paper. So that once you have finished your seminar paper and take the same topic, then you would have about 50-70% of your Bachelorarbeit already written.

### 3.1 General Comments about the seminar paper

- **Due date for the seminar paper:**
  - January 9, 2025 at our last campus meeting (most likely at 4:30 pm VG. 235).
  - 2 hard copies **plus** electronic version to me. You do NOT need to bind your seminar paper: Simply hand the paper in with stapled.
  - Maximum of 15 pages without the title, figures, tables, appendix, and references (20 pages, including everything).
  - A4 size with 1.5 spacing and 11 font size. Margins: follow the "usual" Bachelorbeit regulation.
  - Seminar paper can be one of the following:
    1. Literature summary of the general topic.
    2. Detail explanation of the paper that is suggested under the general topic OR a similar paper that falls under that general topic.
    3. Combination of 1 and 2.

- If you want to bring in some empirical support (using different data set) for the topic then that is more than welcome!!!
- **Structure of your seminar paper: Please try to follow this structure!**
  1. Introduction: I want to see clearly
    - \* Objective of the paper/topic. (e.g. "The purpose of this paper/topic is.....")
    - \* Why this topic is relevant, or why did the author(s) wrote this paper.
    - \* What was the previous literature.
    - \* What was the method that the authors used to achieve their goal?
    - \* What were the results.
    - \* (2-3 pages)
  2. Previous Literature:
    - \* You can discuss 2 or 3 relevant papers that were discussed in the introduction section in a bit more detail (3-4 pages)
  3. Go detail about the paper/topic
    - \* Summarize the topic, but no directly copying of words. Try to formulate ideas into your own words.
    - \* In this section, you can talk about the (i) Data (if the paper is empirical) (ii) Methods or theory used and (iii) results.
    - \* Here you can "copy and paste" some of the figures and tables from the reference paper, OR bring in your own dataset to support / replicate some of the facts in the reference paper.
    - \* (4 - 6 pages)
  4. Some Final Remarks / Conclusion
    - \* Summarize the paper or the topic:
    - \* State the objective of the paper/topic again.
    - \* State the main results
    - \* State your OWN opinion about the results, and possibly your OWN thoughts on what the future extension of the topic or the implications to the results.
    - \* (2-3 pages).
  5. References: please follow the reference format of the paper that is assigned for your topic. Each journal has a different reference format, but anyone of the journal is ok! This also goes for quote or citing a reference: follow the assigned paper's format.
    - \* If you follow what I wrote then you should have at least 11 pages of concise and informative seminar paper!
    - \* Feel free to use other relevant papers to the topic.

- \* If one could replicate some parts of the results with different data sets, one could expect **EXTRA points**.

– **Presentation:**

- \* **25 minutes is assigned for each student: 20 Minutes presentation with 5 minutes general discussion: Make sure your presentation lies within this time limit!!!!**
- \* One could present either in powerpoint or in pdf.
- \* **Presentation should be structured more or less in the following way:**
  1. Title and other relevant information of the presentation (presenter’s name, etc)
  2. Objective of the talk
  3. Motivation of the paper/talk
  4. Methods used to deliver the results
  5. Results
  6. Concluding Remarks

– **Grading:**

- \* The grades will be assigned according to the seminar participation, presentation and a written work which is based on the assigned articles for the seminar.
- \* Presentation: 45%, Seminar paper: 50%, and Participation in Seminar Discussion: 5 %
- \* One of (or both) the presentation and seminar work can be either in English / German.
- \* You are guaranteed an

1 if you score 95 points or above.	1.3 if you score 90 points or above.
1.7 if you score 85 points or above.	2.0 if you score 80 points or above
2.3 if you score 75 points or above.	2.7 if you score 70 points or above.
3.0 if you score 65 points or above	3.3 if you score 60 points or above.
3.7 if you score 55 points or above.	4.0 if you score 50 points or above

Logistics and Transportation for the Seminar

- **We will discuss more about this matter on January 9th (16:30) 2025 in VG235!**
- **Kick-Off meeting on October 21, 2024 at 16:00 in VG235**