

SM451 / CS710

Seminar on Fairness in Recommendation and Ranking

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Seminar meetings take place on Wednesdays at **13:45 – 15:15** in **room C401**

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Schedule and Deadlines

Note: Important dates are **emphasised**. All deadlines are at 23:59 on the specified day.

Week	Tasks and Deadlines
1 07.09 – 13.09	Registration <i>Register via Portal².</i>
2 14.09 – 20.09	Kick-off meeting & topic preferences <i>Attend the kick-off meeting on 16 Sep. All students should attend it. Submit at least 4 preferred topics (from the seminar website and/or proposed by you), by 20 Sep via e-mail to Andreea Iana and include Ezgi Yilmaz (ezgi.yilmaz@uni-mannheim.de) in CC.</i>
3 21.09 – 27.09	Topic assignment <i>Topics are assigned on 22 Sep; we will notify you by e-mail. You will also serve as reviewer for the seminar reports of two fellow students.</i>
4 28.09 – 04.10	Literature exploration <i>As soon as you have been assigned your topic area and seed paper, start studying the relevant literature and understand the fundamentals of your topic.</i>
5 05.10 – 11.10	Optional tutor meeting <i>Optionally meet your tutor this week to discuss your topic (schedule appointment via e-mail). Bring an outline and give a brief oral overview of your topic and paper (5-10 minutes).</i>
6 12.10 – 18.10	Flash presentations <i>Submit your flash presentation slides by 13 Oct. Give a 3-minute flash presentation on 14 Oct. Attendance at all talks is expected.</i>
7 19.10 – 25.10	Draft report preparation <i>Write your draft report.</i>
8 26.10 – 01.11	Draft report submission <i>Submit your draft report by 01 Nov via ILIAS. This version is not graded.</i>
9 02.11 – 08.11	Peer reviews <i>Read the two draft reports assigned to you without consulting the original papers and prepare your review. The peer review is anonymous (i.e., no one knows who the reviewer is).</i>
10 09.11 – 15.11	Peer review submission <i>Submit your reviews by 15 Nov via ILIAS. You will then receive the reviews of your own draft shortly afterwards.</i>
11 16.11 – 22.11	Revision & presentation preparation <i>Incorporate the peer review to further update your report. Prepare your final presentation.</i>
12 – 14 23.11 – 13.12	Final presentations (tentative) <i>Submit your slides by 24 Nov / 01 Dec / 08 Dec via ILIAS. Give a presentation on 25 Nov / 02 Dec / 09 Dec. All students are expected to attend all presentations.</i>
15 – 17 14.12 – 03.01	Report revision <i>Revise your report, incorporating the peer review, the discussion of your presentation, and any feedback from your tutor.</i>
18 04.01 – 10.01	Final report submission <i>Submit your final report by 10 Jan 2027 via ILIAS.</i>