

SUMMER SCHOOL WAR IN UKRAINE

Conflict Research, International Law and
Pathways to Peace

25.08.25 - 29.08.25

Room 01 721

Georg-Forster-Building
Johannes Gutenberg-University
Mainz



PROGRAMME

25.08.2025 MONDAY: DAY 1

14:00 – 15:00 – WELCOME SESSION

*Dr. Barbara Müller and Jan Koloska,
Department of Political Science / SoWi?So!,
Faculty 02, University of Mainz*

15:00 – 17:00

Introduction to Peace and Conflict Research
Dr. Friedrich Plank, Department of Political Science, University of Mainz

EVENING

Campus Tour & Icebreaker Activities

26.08.2025 TUESDAY: DAY 2

9:00 – 11:00

Setting the Stage for Invasion(s): The Problem of De Facto States
Dr. Olesia Zvezdova, University of Mainz

11:30 – 13:30

Controlling the Public: Public Discourse and Psychological Warfare
Dr. Olesia Zvezdova, University of Mainz

13:30 – 14:30

Lunch Break

14:30 – 16:00

Group Work - All Group Work for preparation of the student-led Model UN Debate - Introducing the Resolution

16:00 – 18:00

Group Work - Drawing country representatives and forming the teams

EVENING

Free time

27.08.2025 WEDNESDAY: DAY 3

9:00 – 11:00

Introduction to Transitional Justice
Prof. Peter Sutch, Cardiff University

11:30 – 13:30

Transitional Justice as Humanity Law - a normative framework
Prof. Peter Sutch, Cardiff University

13:30 – 14:30

Lunch Break

14:30 – 16:00

Transitional Justice Workshops: ICC, 'Truth Hounds' and Special Tribunals
Prof. Peter Sutch, Cardiff University

16:00 – 17:00

Theatre Play: Holding on to a Dream
Monodrama by Ukrainian-German Amateur Theatre club

17:00 – 18:00

Plenary Discussion
Prof. Peter Sutch, Cardiff University

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Free time

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The programme runs daily from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
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28.08.2025 THURSDAY: DAY 4

9:00 - 11:00

Group Work - UN Model Debate

11:30 - 13:30

Practice report: Bundeswehr and Russian Psychological Warfare

Report by active officers of the armed forces of Germany

13:30 - 14:30

Lunch Break

14:30 - 16:30

The Motives and history of Russian foreign Policy

Prof. Sergey Radchenko, Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies

16:30 - 18:00

Strategic Bargaining and the Endgame in Ukraine: War, Diplomacy, and Order

Prof. Sergey Radchenko, Johns Hopkins SAIS

EVENING

Joint Dinner for lecturers and students

29.08.2025 FRIDAY: DAY 5

9:00 - 10:00

Group Work - Final Preparation for the UN Model Debate

10:15 - 12:00

Model UN Security Council Debate Part 1
Opening Statements

12:15 - 14:00

Model UN Security Council Debate Part 2

14:00 - 14:30

Reflection & Recharge

14:30 - 15:00

Conclusion, Certificate Ceremony and Farewell

AFTERNOON (OPTIONAL)

City Tour & Additional Activities

EVENING (OPTIONAL)

Weinmarkt in Mainz (City Wine Festival)

Coordinators:

Dr. Barbara **Müller** (SoWi?So!, Johannes Gutenberg-University),
Jan **Koloska** (SoWi?So!, Johannes Gutenberg-University)

Lecturers:

Professor Sergey **Radchenko** (Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies),
Professor Peter **Sutch** (School of Law and Politics, Cardiff University),
Dr. Friedrich **Plank** (Institute of Political Science, Johannes Gutenberg-University Mainz),
Dr. Olesia **Zvezdova** (Johannes Gutenberg-University and Petro Mohyla Black Sea National University)

The **Summer School** is organised by the Faculty 02 Social Sciences, Media and Sport of Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz in cooperation with the School of Law and Politics of Cardiff University and takes place on the campus of Johannes Gutenberg University - with around 30,000 students, it is one of the largest universities in Germany.

We look forward to welcoming you to an engaging and intellectually enriching week!