

Call for lectureships: EPICUR Pop-Up courses

Are you a researcher eager to make a difference? Do you want to share your research with students while gaining valuable teaching experience? Look no further than our EPICUR Early Career Researcher Pop-Up course lectureships!

EPICUR Freiburg offers compensation for small lectureships (0 or 1 ECTS).

About EPICUR

[EPICUR](#) (The European Partnership for an Innovative Campus Unifying Regions) consists of nine universities distributed all over Europe. The European University Alliance aims to pioneer innovative ways of cooperation and collaboration among its member universities, offering diverse mobility and exchange opportunities. At the core of EPICUR are student-centered learning approaches and collaborative teaching formats, along with various mobility options, including physical, virtual, hybrid or blended experiences.

We particularly welcome proposals for pop-up courses that set focus on interdisciplinary learning in EPICUR's priority areas Sustainable Transformation, European Values, Global Health, Future Intelligence and Transversal Skills. For a more detailed description of these areas, please see the next page.

What are pop-up courses?

Pop-up courses, typically extracurricular, are brief interdisciplinary educational opportunities aimed at tackling current trends in academia and society. They strive to provide students with a comprehensive grasp of complex issues that surpass traditional disciplinary confines. These courses promote collaboration among students and faculty from diverse academic backgrounds, fostering exploration of multifaceted problems from various perspectives. The Epicenter (National Center for Engineering Pathways to Innovation) provides a great description of pop up courses [here](#).

Who?

All academic staff members of UFR, associated institutes and EPICUR partners can apply. We particularly welcome applications from Early Career Researchers, Postdocs and PhDs and encourage cross-faculty collaborations, although this is no mandatory requirement.

Why?

Pop-ups offer you the opportunity to present your research to an intrigued audience. Moreover, they enable you to experiment with fresh teaching methods, to gain teaching experience and engage in interesting discussion in your field of expertise and passion.

Deadline

Please submit your proposal by April 30.

Feel free to forward this call to your networks and to invite your colleagues interested in contributing to innovative, international education by offering a pop-up course for EPICUR.

How to apply?

If you wish to offer a pop-up course, please send us the following details:

- Pop-up course description (250 words) and learning outcomes (key words)

- Personal motivation (250 words)
- Title of lecture / seminar and theme of the lecture
- Time frame
- Delivery mode: virtual, hybrid, blended, in person

In case of any questions, please don't hesitate to contact us by email at epicur@ucf.uni-freiburg.de.

We are looking forward to receiving your proposal!

EPICUR's priority areas



European Values

European Values refers to ideals, beliefs, and norms that are considered to be fundamental to European societies and their cultural, social and political development. While there is no definitive list of European values, some of the most commonly recognized values include Human rights, Democracy, Diversity and Tolerance, and Solidarity.



Sustainable Transformation

Sustainable Transformation denotes the endeavour of creating and ensuring a viable future by anticipating the need for, and realizing, profound shifts in economic, social and environmental systems. This involves transitioning to more sustainable living and business practices that account for the planet's finite resources and seeks to minimize environmental impact, while ensuring social equity and economic development.



Global Health

Global Health refers to the science and practice of addressing health challenges, protecting and improving well-being, and achieving equity in health outcomes on a global scale through the promotion of healthy behaviors, the prevention and control of diseases and injuries, and the assurance of access to high-quality healthcare products and services.



Future Intelligence

Future Intelligence encompasses various fields and areas of study focused on understanding and shaping the future of society, technology, and humanity. A main focus is the creation and evolution of intelligent systems and technologies that remain human-centered and serve the needs of society.



Transversal Skills

Transversal skills, also known as transferable skills or soft skills, are competencies that are valuable across different professions, industries, and contexts, which can be applied and transferred to various situations and environments. This includes digital competencies, critical thinking, problem-solving, communication, collaboration, leadership, cultural competence, and entrepreneurship, among others.

Please note! While pop-up courses lectureships offer a low-threshold option for contributing to EPICUR Education, EPICUR will also open its next call for general course proposals (for autumn/winter courses) on April 30. Please keep an eye out for this call and consider where you can offer seats in existing courses to EPICUR students. Have questions about contributing to EPICUR Education? Please contact epicur@ucf.uni-freiburg.de.