

Portfolio



A Portfolio is a collection of texts and materials which you compile and structure in the course of the seminar. These materials are intended to document your process of learning. A Portfolio requires independent and self-guided research and study. The primary didactic aim of a Portfolio is to foster your competence of reflection: The materials you collect and the texts you write about them are supposed to be reflected with respect to the experiences you made and the knowledge you gained. A Portfolio hence documents your process of knowledge acquisition, your handling of the materials as well as your learning process.

How you present your results and design your portfolio is up to you. Be resourceful and creative! You may hand in an electronic or printed version.

Your portfolio should consist of:

1. A **brief introduction** which ties together the materials and comments on why and how you chose them and are going to present them.
2. **The results of your creative individual or group project**
3. **A mini term paper**
Pick a focus within the broader topic of the seminar. You can concentrate on (an) individual text(s) or a recurring theme. Write 6-8 pages (app. 3,000 words) with footnotes and a list of sources just like in a regular term paper. Find a clear thesis statement in the beginning to work on. Structure the essay into Intro, Main Part, Conclusion, References.
4. **Reflection on process of learning**
In a concluding part reflect on what you gained and learned, which obstacles and difficulties you encounter and how they got resolved
5. **Bibliography**