

## Call for Applications: »Bauhaus.Modules« Promotion Fund in the winter semester 2023/24

The "Bauhaus.Modules" follow the insight that the central challenges of the 21<sup>st</sup> century (including climate change, ecology, poverty, health, democracy) can only be met through the cooperation of different disciplines. **The "Bauhaus.Modules" focus on interdisciplinary collaboration, forward thinking and collaborative action for sustainable development.** The students are thus enabled to expand their specialized studies with explicitly interdisciplinary courses. Simultaneously, the "Bauhaus.Modules" create a new understanding of transdisciplinary sustainability at the interface of art, design, technology and science in research and teaching.

**The inclusion of different actors with diverse experiences, knowledge and life backgrounds not only enables new teaching and learning methods, but also opens new possibilities for dialogue and transfer.** To shape the future of our coexistence with nature, we need to expose academic spaces to civil society: In real-life laboratories, the confrontation with complex and authentic problems is tested in order to diffuse initial situations. The competing interests of political and social, economic, and ecological, artistic, and scientific actors can be experienced in an experimental learning space and invite collaborative and solution-oriented work on various ideas and concepts.

**Based on feedback from professors, lecturers, and students, four thematic focuses have been identified, which will be announced for the first time in the winter semester 2023/24. We are looking for teaching projects that address future issues in teaching across all faculties:**

- [1] in the focus "**Social Transformation**" on topics such as "Democracy", "Climate Justice", "Decolonisation", "Feminism" or "Anti-Racism";
- [2] in the focus "**Critical Ecologies**" on topics such as "Climate Change" and "Resource Distribution", "Sustainability" or "Future of Mobility";
- [3] in the focus "**Radical Curiosity**" with approaches that question existing patterns of thought and action and create scenarios of a future worth living;
- [4] in the focus "**Co-creative Technologies**" on topics at the interface of man, machine and environment, digital transformation of society, artificial intelligence, or augmented reality.

Teachers and students from all faculties and study programmes are invited to approach the four thematic focuses from the perspective of their disciplines and to develop ideas for interdisciplinary teaching and learning cooperation. Since this is a new approach, the emphasis of the "Bauhaus.Module" fund in the winter semester 2023/24 lies on the development of basic courses: Instead of the previous three funding lines "Bauhaus.Basics" [B1], "Bauhaus.Methods" [B2] and "Bauhaus.Projects" [B3], only the funding line "Bauhaus.Basics" [B1] will be opened in the current call for applications.

### [B1] Bauhaus.Basics

The "Bauhaus.Basics" include **multi- and interdisciplinary courses** which are thematically and methodologically aimed at students of different study programs at the Bauhaus-Universität Weimar. In the respective courses, different ways of thinking and working are brought together **so that students and teachers from different disciplines** can interact with each other. Furthermore, external perspectives from scientific or artistic practices can be brought in.

**The "Bauhaus.Basics" pursue a topic- and problem-oriented working method with the inclusion of diverse internal and external perspectives.** They focus on questions of social, technological, and ecological change and social responsibility. In this way, students are theoretically and methodologically prepared for **practical project work in multi- and transdisciplinary teams.**

### Application qualification for the "Bauhaus.Modules" funding

- Qualified to apply are
- Professors and academic staff of the Bauhaus-Universität Weimar with an employment relationship in the application and implementation of the course as well as
  - Students who are enrolled at Bauhaus-Universität at the time of application as well as in the winter semester 2023/24 and who have a mentor.

## Funding lines of the fund "Bauhaus.Module"

The implementation of an interdisciplinary teaching program of the "Bauhaus.Module" is supported in "Bauhaus.Basics" funding line:

Funding volume total: up to 45,500 €

Funding volume per application: up to 2,500 €

## "Bauhaus.Modules" particularities

The "Bauhaus.Modules" are characterised by certain organisation particularities to improve the recognition of credit points across faculty and study programmes.

- A uniform "Bauhaus.Modules" application period is assigned to all modules.
- The module numbers are assigned centrally by the »Bison« administrators.
- All "Bauhaus.Modules" are pooled centrally in the examination system.

## Funding line B1: "Bauhaus.Basics" – multi- and interdisciplinary specialization

### What is the goal of this funding line?

This funding line supports academic teachers or students of the Bauhaus-Universität Weimar in designing interdisciplinary courses. The "Bauhaus.Basics" include **multi- and interdisciplinary lectures, seminars, science, study or specialist modules** (3 to 6 ECTS), which address one of the four thematic focuses "**Social Transformation**", "**Critical Ecologies**", "**Radical Curiosity**" or "**Co-creative Technologies**".

In the respective courses, different ways of thinking and working are brought together so that students and teachers from different disciplines can interact with each other. Furthermore, external perspectives from scientific or artistic practices can be brought in. In addition, special emphasis is placed on **interdisciplinary topics** that open new approaches and perspectives and appeal to a broad spectrum of students from different courses of study. In addition to the professional qualification, the **acquisition of interdisciplinary competencies** is to be strengthened.

The "Bauhaus.Basics" pursue a topic- and problem-oriented approach involving a variety of internal and external perspectives. They focus on questions of social, technological, and ecological change and social responsibility. In this way, students are **theoretically and methodologically prepared for practical project work** in multi- and transdisciplinary teams.

The aim of this funding line is to compensate for the additional costs required for implementation.

### [B2] "Bauhaus.Basics" at a glance

Application deadline: 25.06.2023

Application form: "[Antrag für akademische Lehrende](#)" via the website  
 "[Antrag für studentische Lehrende](#)" via the website

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Students who are enrolled at Bauhaus-Universität at the time of application as well as in the winter semester 2023 and who have a mentor.

### Who and what is promoted?

Funding is available for two or more teachers and students from different disciplines at the Bauhaus-Universität Weimar who teach a course with an interdisciplinary focus and guarantee the equal participation of students from different study programs. Funding is provided for the preparation, implementation and follow-up of courses that are listed in the "Bison" course catalog and can be completed by students from different programs.

Applications can be made for funds for

- personnel costs for contracts with student assistants to support the preparation and implementation with a maximum of hours for the semester of
  - 30 hours for courses with 2 SWS/3 ECTS,
  - 60 hours for courses with 4 SWS/6 ECTS.
 Please calculate with 13.41 €/h; billing will be done according to the applicable hourly rates.
- Note: Double the number of hours may be requested for **Student Learning Projects**.
- teaching assignments for external lecturers who teach a course together with members of the Bauhaus-Universität Weimar (appropriation according to the [Satzung zur Vergütung von Lehraufträgen](#)).
- printing and material costs (e.g. for flyers or posters).

The following are excluded from funding

- means of tendering for sub-competitions,
- material items such as furnishings or equipment for IT,
- catering, meals and
- Field trips (travel and lodging expenses) as well as

- events conducted solely by external instructors.

Requirements for the implementation of **Student "Bauhaus.Modules"** are

- the mentoring by a professor during the semester,
- participation in a training course for qualification before the start of the project, and
- participation in a qualitative evaluation of the framework conditions of student learning projects.

Funding for a course is possible up to a maximum of 2,500 € within the framework of the above-mentioned conditions. Any additional or follow-up costs cannot be covered by the "Bauhaus.Module" support fund. External guest lectures and teaching assignments cannot be awarded to members, employees and students of the Bauhaus-Universität Weimar.

### Who can submit an application?

**All professors and academic staff** employed at Bauhaus-Universität Weimar at the time of application and at the time the course is held are eligible to apply.

Furthermore, **students** enrolled at Bauhaus-Universität Weimar both at the time of application and in the winter semester of 2023/24 and have a mentor who gives a [mentoring commitment](#) with the application are eligible to apply.

A joint course taught by different teachers can only be supported once per semester. Repeated sponsorship of an identical or similar course is not possible.

### What are the criteria for funding?

Requirements for funding:

- the course is conducted as a cooperation of person from different faculties  
*and*
- the course addresses one of the four thematic focuses (see above)  
*and*
- the course is explicitly designed for students of different faculties  
*and*
- the heterogeneous participation requirements of the students are taken into account  
*and*
- the methodological-didactic approach enables students to participate successfully.
- Any external lecturers bring a unique perspective that significantly expands the existing expertise of our university and its faculties.

These criteria must be taken into account when submitting the application and must be presented in a transparent and comprehensible manner in the application form for the award committee.

### How and where can the application be made?

Applications must be submitted electronically via the "Bauhaus.Module" Website. The application deadline for the winter semester 2023/24 is June 25<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

If you have any questions regarding the application or specifically the form, please contact Ronny Schüler ([bauhaus.module@uni-weimar.de](mailto:bauhaus.module@uni-weimar.de)). On May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023, there will also be an information session on how to apply. Information on this can be found at [www.uni-weimar.de/bauhausmodule](http://www.uni-weimar.de/bauhausmodule). There you will also find the [Satzung zur Vergütung von Lehraufträgen](#) at the Bauhaus-Universität Weimar as well as the [Städtekatalog](#) for information on the calculation of accommodation costs.

### What is the further procedure after submission?

The decision on the allocation of funds is made by the "Awards Committee for the Promotion of Teaching and Learning". Applicants will be informed of the decision by e-mail at the end of Juli 2023, and the funded events will be announced on the "Bauhaus.Module" website. The entry in the Bison event directory is made by the teachers.

A short report is required from teachers whose projects are supported by the "Bauhaus.Module" fund no later than six weeks after the end of the lecture period. The report template will be sent by e-mail.

**We are looking forward to your application!**