

List of topics for bachelor theses

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All topics can be written either in German or English unless explicitly specified otherwise. Please note that although this list is updated regularly, it may happen that individual topics have already been assigned. The literature specified on the respective topics should reflect the core of the work. At the same time, you can use the literature as a reference point for your further research.

1 The Effect of Information on Beliefs, Attitudes, and Behaviour

- Haaland, I., Roth, C., & Wohlfart, J. (2023). Designing information provision experiments. *Journal of Economic Literature*, 61(1), 3-40.
- Ferroni, M., & Stantcheva, S. (2021). Perceptions of racial gaps, their causes, and ways to reduce them.
- Alesina, A., Miano, A., & Stantcheva, S. (2023). Immigration and redistribution. *Review of Economic Studies*, 90(1), 1-39.
- Schwardmann, P., Tripodi, E., & Van der Weele, J. J. (2022). Self-persuasion: Evidence from field experiments at international debating competitions. *American Economic Review*, 112(4), 1118-1146.
- Thaler, M. (2024). The fake news effect: Experimentally identifying motivated reasoning using trust in news. *American Economic Journal: Microeconomics*, 16(2), 1-38.

2 Biases in Information Demand

- Peterson, E., & Iyengar, S. (2021). Partisan gaps in political information and information-seeking behavior: Motivated reasoning or cheerleading? *American Journal of Political Science*, 65(1), 133-147.
- Golman, R., Loewenstein, G., Molnar, A., & Saccardo, S. (2022). The demand for, and avoidance of, information. *Management Science*, 68(9), 6454-6476.
- Bursztyn, L., Rao, A., Roth, C., & Yanagizawa-Drott, D. (2023). Opinions as facts. *Review of Economic Studies*, 90(4), 1832-1864.
- Chopra, F., Haaland, I., & Roth, C. (2024). The demand for news: Accuracy concerns versus belief confirmation motives. *Economic Journal*, ueae019.

3 The Role of Stereotypes in Individual and Committee Decisions

This topic can be supervised only online (e.g., via Zoom).

- Esponda, I., Oprea, R., & Yuksel, S. (2023). Seeing what is representative. *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, 138(4), pp.2607–2657. Available at: <https://doi.org/10.1093/qje/qjad020>
- Bordalo, P., Coffman, K.B., Gennaioli, N., & Shleifer, A. (2016). Stereotypes. *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, 131(4), pp.1753–1794.
- Radbruch, J., & Schiprowski, A. (2023). Committee deliberation and gender differences in influences. Rationality and Competition Discussion Paper Series, 398.