

## Seminar 2023/2024: Vorstellung der Rahmenthemen

<b>Nr.: 8</b>	<b>Kurztitel des Rahmenthemas:</b> <b>Kings and Queens</b>	
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### Kurzbeschreibung:

Kings and queens ruled in Europe and in countries overseas and they have had an influence on people's lives and politics. However, their roles and the power they possessed have changed throughout the centuries and for your paper you have a wide range of topics to choose from.

You can focus on:

- **Arts:** Maybe you want to analyse famous portrait paintings.
- **Arts/Literature:** You could do research on the influence and the role of the monarchy on the arts in the Shakespearean era.
- **Economics:** You could examine the importance of the monarchy for the British tourism industry and explore the question what UK Tourism would look like if there was no Royal Family.
- **Psychology:** There are a lot of critical voices against a constitutional monarchy, but what are arguments in favour of it? You could explore the psychological impact that having a Royal Family has on (British) society.
- **History/Politics:** The British Royal Family and Germany have had historical connections through marriages and alliances. You could research how these alliances shaped European politics and dynastic relations.
- **Media:** Maybe you'd like to focus on and analyse the complicated relationship between the (British tabloid) media and the (British) Royal Family and examine the changes and developments since the widespread dissemination of print media.
- **History/Religion/Psychology:** Based on the coronation of King Charles III., you could research customs, rituals and historic and religious symbolism around Kings and Queens and critically examine their relevance and value for society.

**Your own ideas which may relate to this general topic are more than welcome and when you specify the title of your paper please remember to include an empirical research/study or references to current topics/issues.**

This seminar is bilingual. When we meet in class, we are going to speak English whereas the sessions concerning basic skills such as quoting are going to be in German. The language of the seminar paper and the presentations is English.

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