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- and
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Ministerial Regulations

1. The main purpose of the study program

The purpose of the master's programmes is to

- 1) enhance the academic knowledge and skills of the student and strengthen the theoretical and methodological qualifications and level of independence attained at bachelor level,
- 2) provide the student with the opportunity to study in depth the advanced academic aspects of disciplines and methods in the subject area(s), including training in academic work and methods, which further develop the students ability to work in a specialist professional capacity and take part in academic development work, and
- 3) qualify the student for further studies, including Ph.D. programmes, cf. ministerial order on Ph.D. programmes and Ph.D. degrees (Ph.D. ministerial order).

The purpose of the master's programme in economics is to qualify the student to identify, formulate and solve complex social and economic problems by acquiring academic, theoretical and methodological qualifications.

The master's programme consists of modules from the field of economic theory and methods as well as applied economics and modules that enable the student to deal with issues from other subject areas that are relevant to economics.

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2. Arrangements etc.

2.1 Structure of the study programme

The master's programme consists of a number of modules. A module is a subject element or a group of subject elements designed to provide the student with a totality of academic qualifications within a fixed timetable defined in terms of ECTS points and completed with one or more tests during particular examination periods stipulated in the curriculum (see section 9).

60 ECTS points correspond to one year of full-time study.

2.2 Deadline for completing the study programme

The university is entitled to stipulate in the curriculum a final deadline after commencement by which the student must complete their master's programme (see section 11.1).

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3. Entry requirements etc.

Admission to the master's programme requires a relevant bachelor degree or other relevant Danish or foreign qualification at a commensurate level.

Within the framework of the ministerial order of the study programmes, the university will stipulate, which bachelor degrees provide admission to the master's programme, and what special entry requirements, regarding subjects and their value in terms of ECTS points, the student must have achieved on each bachelor programme in order to be admitted to the master's programme.

The university may admit applicants who do not meet the conditions, but who, according to an individual evaluation, have academic qualifications at a commensurate level.

The university may require supplementary tests.

(See section 8.1).

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4. Master's programme

4.1 Title of the study programme

The graduate who has completed the master's programme in economics is entitled to use the title cand.oecon. (candidatus/candidata oeconomices). In English: Master of Science in Economics.

4.2 Workload

The prescribed workload of the master's programme is 120 ECTS point.

4.3 Content of the study programme

The master's programme is a rounded course that enhances the skills acquired by the student during the bachelor programme.

The university organises the course of study in a manner that ensures academic coherence and progression. The modular composition of the programmes must ensure that the student is normally able to choose between skill profiles relevant to a variety of professions.

The master's programme consists of:

- 1) Subject elements basic to the programme's particular academic competence and identity corresponding to a minimum of 90 ECTS points. This total must include a thesis worth 30 ECTS points.
- 2) Elective subjects worth a minimum of 10 ECTS points.

The master's thesis must document skills in applying academic theory and methods to a specific academic subject. The university approves the subject matter and stipulates a deadline for submission of the project.

The master's thesis completes the programme. Under special circumstances the university may grant exemption from the rule that the master's thesis must be the final element in the master's programme.

(See also section 9.2).

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5. Examination

5.1 Rules for examination

The following rules apply for examinations:

- 1) Ministerial order concerning university examinations (the examination order) and Ministerial order concerning changes in order concerning university examination.
- 2) Ministerial order concerning censor institution for some further and higher educations under the Danish Ministry of Education.
- 3) Ministerial order concerning grading scale and other assessment.

(See also section 10.4).

5.2 Examination language

Examinations are held in Danish unless the purpose of the examination is to demonstrate skills in a foreign language. If teaching in a course has been held in a foreign language, the examination will be held in this language. The university may decide to deviate from this rule.

5.3 Internal or external examinations

At least 1/3 of the total ECTS points of the study programme must be evaluated by an external examiner. The external examinations must cover the essential areas of the study programme including the master's thesis.

5.4 Grades or the assessment of "passes/not passed"

The assessment "passed/not passed" can only be used for examinations covering 1/3 of the total ECTS points of the study programme. This does not apply for credit transferred courses.

5.5 Requirements for passing

An examination is passed when it has been assessed "passed" or with the grade 6 or above. Each examination must be passed individually. Examinations that are passed including partial examinations cannot be taken again.

The university can decide:

- 1) That two or more examinations are passed on the basis of an overall average grade. Then the average must be at least 6.0 without rounding up the grade.
- 2) That re-examination cannot take place for examination with the grade 5 or lower, if the examination is passed according to the rules in section 1).
- 3) That two or more examinations must be passed during the same examination period.
- 4) That an examination consists of several partial examinations. If the entire examination is passed, partial examinations with the grade 5 or below cannot be taken again.

(See also section 10.3 and 10.4).

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5.6 Number of examination attempts

The student may only attempt an examination in the same course 3 times. Under exceptional circumstances the university may allow a 4th or 5th examination attempt. Determination of what constitutes exceptional circumstances is not affected by assessments of academic ability. The student can request participation of a second examiner when sitting 3rd, 4th or 5th examination, when the examination is internal, assessed only by examiner.

In exceptional cases the university may exempt for more than 5 examination attempts, especially when the student only needs to pass one single examination to graduate.

5.7 Registration and withdrawal of registration for exams

For every single examination the university can stipulate a deadline specifying when registration and withdrawal of registration for examination can take place (see section 9.4.4). If withdrawal of registration occurs too late, the examination will be considered started with regards to number of attempts. This does not apply in cases where the student is prevented from sitting the exam due to illness. Under exceptional circumstances the university can exempt from the stipulated deadline.

5.8 Sound recording of oral examination

The student is allowed to record his/her own oral examination.

5.9 Examination complaints

The student hands in complaints regarding examinations or other assessments that form part of examinations to the university. The reason for the complaints must be stated in writing. A complaint cannot result in a lower grade than the one originally given.

The complaint must be handed in no later than two weeks after the date on which the exam results were announced. The university can make an exemption from this rule under exceptional circumstances.

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6. Other regulations

6.1 Credit transfer

Successfully completed programme elements according to the ministerial order of the study programme equate to corresponding ones at other universities that offer similar programmes under the terms of this order.

The university may grant approval for successfully completed programme elements covered by the ministerial order of the study programme to replace programme elements from another programme on same level as the mentioned order (credit transfer).

The university may also grant approval for successfully completed programme elements from another Danish or foreign programme to replace programme elements at the university under the terms of the ministerial order of the study programme.

Merit transfers are not permitted for the thesis.

6.2 Complaint

Under the terms of the ministerial order of the study programme, the student may appeal decisions made by the university to Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation if the appeal is based on legal issues. The appeal is submitted to the university, which must provide the complainant with a written response and a minimum of one week in which to consider the response. The university submits the appeal to the ministry along with its statement and any supplementary comments made by the complainant.

The deadline for the submission of appeals is two weeks from the day when the decision is announced to the complainant.

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Supplementary Regulations

7. Academic profile

The Master of Science in Economics at the University of Southern Denmark can be completed as follows:

- 1) Cand.oecon. without area of specialization
- 2) Cand.oecon. with specialization in Economic Policy Analysis and Project Management
- 3) Cand.oecon. with specialization in European Studies (English, international programme)
- 4) Cand.oecon. with specialization in Economics and Finance (English, international programme)

7.1 Aim

7.1.1 Cand.oecon. without area of specialization

The study programme gives the student skills, which are necessary in the analysis of cost benefit problems.

The cand.oecon. study programme gives you the highest possible optional character and with it the possibility to create your own profile with for instance relatively more courses in the fields of political science and business administration. However, a certain amount of economic courses are always requested. Prior to each semester a list of courses, which are approved for each study programme, will be available on the internet.

7.1.2 Cand.oecon. with specialization in Economic Policy Analysis and Project Management

The purpose of the programme is to give the candidate the skills required to function as a consultant and/or as a project manager with an economic background. These skills are used in consultancy firms, organisations and in the public sector. Project managers and policy-oriented economists are characterised by being flexible as regards job positions. Therefore a candidate in Economic Policy Analysis and Project Management is expected to master several dimensions at the same time.

1. Economics: Many projects and consultancy jobs relate to changes in resource allocations. Either to get more for the money or to minimize the consequences of a reduced budget.
2. Politics/organisation: Projects and consultancy jobs are integrated in political/organisational frameworks. Understanding of these frameworks is essential for the work of a project manager or consultant.
3. Statistics: Projects have to be evaluated. A firm grasp of quantitative and qualitative statistical methods is needed.

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4. Project management and consultancy: The candidates have learned about different project tools and have acquired knowledge in team management and in different consultancy roles.
5. Communication: Communication of results and conclusions in a clear manner to people with different professional backgrounds is trained.

7.1.3 Cand.oecon. with specialization in European Studies

Increasingly the European Union has become the pivot of economic and political development in Europe. This fact has led to the establishment of the study programme European Studies at the University of Southern Denmark. The aim of the programme is to give the students deeper insight into the economic and political issues related to the development of the EU than can be obtained from more traditional economic programmes. Foreign as well as Danish students are given the opportunity to acquire knowledge and skills which will be of great value in their future capacity as decision makers within the public sector, international organisations, labour market organisations and international enterprises.

Clearly, there are economic and political as well as legal dimensions involved in the cooperation within the EU, and each of these dimensions is covered through special courses which are part of the over-all study programme. The main emphasis in the courses will be on an evaluation of the economic cooperation within the EU, and especially the effect of economic integration on the development of economic well-being in member states.

7.1.4 Cand.oecon. with specialization in Economics and Finance

Candidates who graduate from the MSc programme in Economics and Finance have a detailed understanding of modern economic and financial theory as well as a variety of skills that qualify them to handle financial data.

The programme provides students with a high level of competence in modern financial theory, including pricing of financial assets and derivatives (e.g., options), portfolio management, etc. Competences also include micro and macro economics, with an emphasis on topics such as decision and game theory, uncertainty and asymmetric information, currency markets and monetary policy, the EMU. Furthermore, students acquire knowledge and skills of methods for analysing data from financial markets.

As a result, students in the programme gain an understanding of economic and financial mechanisms in the financial markets as well as analytical abilities, enabling them to advise participants in these markets.

The programme provides competences for students who want to pursue a career in financial institutions such as banks, mortgage banks, pension funds, and central banks. Other possibilities include jobs with public authorities (e.g., the Financial Supervisory Authority) and large businesses (e.g., in financial departments).

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7.2 Technical and occupational qualifications after graduation

The cand.oecon. study programme opens up for the possibility of employment within a broad range of occupational areas. The study programme aims at employment in the public as well as the private sector, including vocational and professional organisations.

Recent occupational investigations show, that employment in government agencies, educational and research institutions as well as in the county and the municipality sector is common. In recent years graduates also find employment in the private sector, e.g. as consultants and in banks.

Cand.oecon. graduates also find employment in international organisations such as the EU, OECD, UN etc., where their economic expertise is very much in demand.

Finally, the cand.oecon. study programme is also the starting point for a research education.

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8. Supplementary terms of admission

8.1 Bachelor of Science in Economics

The admission requirement for the MSc in Economics programme (cand.oecon.) is the three-year Bachelor of Science in Economics.

8.2 Bachelor of Science in Business Administration

The admission requirement for the MSc in Economics programme (cand.oecon.) is the Bachelor of Science in Business Administration.

The Study Board of Economics may stipulate that one or more supplementary courses be passed. This evaluation is based on the courses taken during the bachelor programme in relation to the individual choice of cand.oecon. specialization line.

8.3 Bachelor in International Business and Modern Language (Negot)

Bachelor of Science in International Commerce and Modern Languages (SPRØK)

The admission requirement for the MSc in Economics programme (cand.oecon.) is the Bachelor in International Business and Modern Language (Negot) or the Bachelor of Science in International Commerce and Modern Languages (SPRØK).

The Study Board of Economics may stipulate that one or more supplementary courses be passed. This evaluation is based on the courses taken during the bachelor programme in relation to the individual choice of cand.oecon. specialization line.

8.4 Bachelor of Science in Mathematics-Economics

The admission requirement for the MSc in Economics programme (cand.oecon.) is the Bachelor of Science in Mathematics-Economics.

The Study Board of Economics may stipulate that one or more supplementary courses be passed. This evaluation is based on the courses taken during the bachelor programme in relation to the individual choice of cand.oecon. specialization line.

8.5 Bachelor of Political Science

The admission requirement for the MSc in Economics programme (cand.oecon.) is the Bachelor of Political Science.

The Study Board of Economics may stipulate that one or more supplementary courses be passed. This evaluation is based on the courses taken during the bachelor programme in relation to the individual choice of cand.oecon. specialization line.

8.6 Other diplomas of post-secondary education

Applicants who are not in possession of the relevant admission requirements but who, on the basis of other diplomas of post-secondary education, are considered to be qualified for carrying out the study programme, may send an admission application to the Study Board of Economics. However, the permission given may stipulate that one or more supplementary courses be passed.

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9. Modules, course elements and elective courses

9.1 Course descriptions and methods of evaluation

Course descriptions and methods of evaluation are updated prior to each semester. The course descriptions are that part of the curriculum which describes each single course. The course descriptions contain information on:

- 1) The Danish and the English title of the course.
- 2) The campus in which the course is offered.
- 3) Level of the course (undergraduate or graduate).
- 4) The responsible study board.
- 5) Approval date of the study board.
- 6) Date for latest update.
- 7) Responsible teacher.
- 8) Responsible department.
- 9) ECTS-points / share of annual workload.
- 10) Prerequisites (recommended and not required).
- 11) Aim of the course.
- 12) Main topics.
- 13) Literature.
- 14) Teaching term (spring or autumn).
- 15) Type and language of the course.
- 16) Evaluation time.
- 17) Examination requirements (must be met to participate in the examination).
- 18) Evaluation form, internal or external evaluation, Danish 13-point scale or passed/not passed.

Examination in a phased out course will normally be held three times after last ordinary examination unless the course is offered again. Evaluation form and syllabus will always be the latest announced.

Students can only attend courses forming part of the study programme in which they are enrolled, unless permission has been given by the study board to follow courses not offered in their study programme.

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9.2 Composition of courses

Each semester lists will be available stating the approved courses for each specialization line for that semester and also the requirements for composition of courses for each line. Core courses and optional courses for each line will be stated. Core courses are courses defining the core academic standard contents for the line. A certain amount of core courses will be required for each line.

In those cases where an English language course has been taught by a Danish-speaking teacher, ordinary exams can be held in Danish, however the exam assignment will be in English.

9.2.1 Cand.oecon. without area of specialization

To complete the Master's programme in Economics without area of specialization the following requirements must be met

- 80 ECTS among core and/or optional courses, at least 30 ECTS core courses
- 10 ECTS seminar
- 30 ECTS Master's thesis

Furthermore, the following regulations apply:

- optional courses, corresponding to 10 ECTS (maximum 20 ECTS) can be replaced by a trainee period (see section 9.3)
- all courses are preliminary approved as optional courses on the day studies at the Faculty of Social Sciences at the University of Southern Denmark, unless it appears from the course description that the course cannot be chosen by cand.oecon. students.

9.2.2 Cand.oecon. with specialization in Economic Policy Analysis and Project Management

To complete the Master's programme with specialization in Economic Policy Analysis and Project Management the following requirements must be met

- 80 ECTS among core and/or optional courses, at least 20 ECTS compulsory core courses
- 10 ECTS seminar
- 30 ECTS Master's thesis

Furthermore, the following regulations apply:

- optional courses, corresponding to 10 ECTS (maximum 20 ECTS) can be replaced by a trainee period (see section 9.3)
- optional courses can only be chosen among the courses approved for this specialization. In case other optional courses are wanted, it is a condition that the teacher responsible for the specialization line has approved the alternative course(s) in writing.

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9.2.3 Cand.oecon. with specialization in European Studies

To complete the Master's programme with specialization in European Studies the following requirements must be met

- 80 ECTS among core and/or optional courses, at least 30 ECTS core courses from which one is compulsory
- 10 ECTS seminar
- 30 ECTS Master's thesis

Furthermore, the following regulations apply:

- optional courses, corresponding to 10 ECTS (maximum 20 ECTS) can be replaced by a trainee period (see section 9.3)
- optional courses can only be chosen among the courses approved for this specialization. In case other optional courses are wanted, it is a condition that the teacher responsible for the specialization line has approved the alternative course(s) in writing.

9.2.4 Cand.oecon. with specialization in Economics and Finance

To complete the Master's programme with specialization in Economics and Finance the following requirements must be met

- 80 ECTS among core and/or optional courses, at least 60 ECTS compulsory core courses
- 10 ECTS seminar or optional course
- 30 ECTS Master's thesis

Furthermore, the following regulations apply:

- optional courses, corresponding to 10 ECTS (maximum 20 ECTS) can be replaced by a trainee period (see section 9.3)
- optional courses can only be chosen among the courses approved for this specialization. In case other optional courses are wanted, it is a condition that the teacher responsible for the specialization line has approved the alternative course(s) in writing.

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9.3 Trainee period

10 ECTS (20 ECTS under special circumstances) can be performed during a trainee period. The purpose of the trainee period is to integrate practical, economic, political and administrative problems in the study programme. The trainee period consists of four months of work relevant for the study in the private/public sector or interest groups. Major parts of the work must include well-defined tasks.

In connection with the trainee period a written report describing and analysing the content of the trainee period must be prepared. The report should discuss problem, method and data material as well as obtained results and conclusions. The size of the report must be approximately 30 pages.

The trainee period must be approved in advance by a teacher who agrees to evaluate the report and the teacher responsible for the area of study concerned before starting the work. (A special form for approval in advance is available on request at the Secretariat of Business Administration and Economics). A written agreement with the place of work must be enclosed. The agreement must include a description of the tasks and a name of a person to contact at the place of work.

At the end of the trainee period the report (2 copies) as well as an application for final approval of the trainee period must be handed in to the Study Board of Economics.

The report will be evaluated internally with the assessment "Passed/not passed".

9.4 Study groups

A study group consists of a smaller number of students who in cooperation with a teacher organize a course of instruction/study which in extent and level corresponds to a course at the Master Programme.

Study groups can be formed on the initiative of a group of students or on the initiative of a department. At least 4 students are required for forming a study group. The students agree on topics and syllabus with a teacher and apply at the Study Board for permission to establish the study group. The application must contain the signature of the teacher and the names of the student's. The Study Board can consider such applications at any time of the year. Study groups can be completed and ended irrespective of the academic calendar. Study groups can only be ended in the form of essays. Registration for exam is not needed.

The study groups are to be kept within the entire resource frameworks, determined by the Dean.

If a course is established as a study group due to lack of enrolled students, the course description is applicable apart from type of course.

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9.5 Seminar

9.5.1 Topic area

As a part of the Master Programme, the student must write a seminar report within the subject area of social science. If the student intends to obtain a Master's degree within European Studies the topic area must relate to European studies. If the student intends to obtain a Master's degree within Economics and Finance, the topic area must relate to subjects of the line.

In re-examination a new assignment must be written. The new assignment may be prepared within the same topic area as the previous assignment.

9.5.2 Elaboration and group work

The size of the assignment must not exceed 30 pages. Students may choose to write the seminar report individually or in groups of maximum two students, hereby increasing the total number of pages with a maximum of 20 pages. For detailed information please refer to the brochure "Basic guidelines, instructions and requirements concerning the writing of assignments at the Faculty of Social Sciences" (available through the University Bookshop). If the seminar report is written in groups, it must be clearly stated, who is responsible for which part to make an individual evaluation possible.

9.5.3 Assessment

The seminar report must be handed in at the Secretariat of Business Administration and Economics in 3 copies.

The seminar report will be evaluated externally and according to the Danish 13-point grading scale.

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9.6 Master's Thesis

9.6.1 Topic area

As a part of the Master Programme, the student must write a thesis within the subject area of social science. If the student intends to obtain a Master's degree within European Studies the topic area must relate to European studies. If the student intends to obtain a Master's degree within Economics and Finance, the topic area must relate to subjects of the line.

Thesis topic areas are approved by supervisor and teacher responsible for the area of study in connection with signing the supervisor agreement. In the supervisor agreement supervisor states deadline for handing in. Normally the deadline is 6 months from start of the writing of the thesis. It is not a supervisor's duty to read unfinished manuscripts. Already when entering the supervisor agreement, you have to stipulate whether the unfinished manuscript is expected to be read during the course of supervision and to what extent. You always have to hand in the manuscript printed on paper, unless you have made other arrangements with the supervisor.

In re-examination a new topic area must be chosen. In accordance with the above procedure the new topic area is agreed.

9.6.2 Elaboration and group work

The Master's thesis may be written individually or in groups of maximum 2 students. If the thesis is written in groups, it must be clearly stated, who is responsible for which part to make an individual evaluation possible.

The Master's thesis must be accompanied by a summary in English or another principal language according to arrangement with the supervisor/supervisors. The contents of the summary will form part of the evaluation of the Master's thesis. The summary must not exceed two pages.

For detailed information on writing the thesis please refer to the brochure "Basic guidelines, instructions and requirements concerning the writing of assignments at the Faculty of Social Sciences" (available through the University Bookshop).

The thesis must not exceed 100 pages per student including notes and reading list.

9.6.3 Registration

Having chosen a topic for the Master's thesis, a supervisor agreement must be filled in and handed in to the Secretariat of Business Administration and Economics. The agreement must include information about the topic of the Master's thesis and a deadline for handing in the project description. The agreement must be signed by the students and the supervisor(s).

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9.6.4 Evaluation of the Master's thesis

The student(s) must hand in the Master's thesis in three copies at the Secretariat of Business Administration and Economics. When handing in the thesis the students must inform the Secretariat if they are prevented from participating in the oral defence within the next two months (except the month of July).

During the evaluation of the thesis the student presents the Master's thesis. On the basis of this, the teacher and examiner will examine the student within the field of the Master's thesis.

Duration of the evaluation of the thesis (oral defence) is approximately one to two hours. If the Master's thesis is prepared by a group, each student will be examined individually. The student must not be present in examination room prior to and after their own examination.

The oral defence is opened by the student giving a speech of 10 to 20 minutes, focusing on problems during the preparation of the Master's thesis, etc. A summary of the assignment is not advisable.

The purpose of the subsequent discussion is to

- * clarify disputed points concerning details of the Master's thesis,
- * undertake a thorough test of the student's knowledge within the topic of the Master's thesis.

Time and place for the evaluation of the thesis will be announced on the notice board no later than seven days before the evaluation takes place. The evaluation of a thesis is open to the public unless special arrangements have been made. Evaluation of a thesis takes place at the University of Southern Denmark.

The Master's thesis is evaluated externally with grades according to the Danish 13-point scale. The thesis must be passed with at least the grade 6.

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10. Examination and requirements for passing

10.1 Syllabus descriptions

Syllabus is published at the internet each semester. The syllabus is a part of the curriculum. Students will be examined in the latest syllabus.

10.2 Requirements for passing

The master's programme is passed when each course according to section 9.2.1-9.2.4 has earned a grade of at least 6 or the assessment Passed.

10.3 Weight

The weight of each course in the average calculation depends of the ECTS-point of each course:

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| <i>10 ECTS:</i> | will be calculated in the examination average with <i>the weight</i> | 1.0 |
| <i>5 ECTS:</i> | will be calculated in the examination average with <i>the weight</i> | 0.5 |
| <i>Seminar:</i> | will be calculated in the examination average with <i>the weight</i> | 1.0 |
| <i>Master's thesis:</i> | will be calculated in the examination average with <i>the weight</i> | 3.0 |

10.4 Examination

10.4.1 Ordinary examination

Ordinary examinations are held in January and June. However, for guest students examination is held in December for courses with oral or written examination.

10.4.2 Re-examination

Re-examination in the same examination period is not held in the MSc in Economics programme.

10.4.3 Make-up examination

Make-up examination is usually held in connection with the next ordinary examination. Documentation for the examinee's illness must be provided and sent to the Study Board of Economics along with an application for make-up examination. Examination attempt used for the ordinary examination will be cancelled.

10.4.4 Registration for examinations

Registration for examination takes place during the periods of:

20-30 October for the winter examinations,

20-30 March for the summer examinations.

Withdrawal of registration must be handed in no later than one week before the examination.

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10.4.5 Examination requirements

Examination requirements, which have been passed before the first ordinary exam, do not need to be passed again in the next term.

10.4.6 Study material

If all study material is allowed for the examination it means “books, notes, papers, pocket calculator and similar”. Computers, printers, telephones or other material that can communicate inside and outside the room and which may be disturbing cannot be used unless it is precisely announced in the course description.

10.4.7 Spelling and writing skills

Assignments etc. are mainly assessed in terms of the quality of the academic content. The spelling and writing skills of the student are only considered to a limited degree, unless significant deviations from standard academic usage are observed. This applies mainly to larger written assignments. Students suffering from disabilities may apply for exemptions from this rule.

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11. Other regulations

11.1 Time-limit for the study programme

The cand.oecon. degree programme must be completed no later than 4 years after enrolment to the programme.

11.2 Regulations concerning study activity

On 27 May 2004 The Faculty of Social Sciences has adopted "Regulation concerning cancellation of enrolment owing to study inactivity (Please see separate enclosure).

11.3 Interim regulation

Students who transfer to the cand.oecon. degree programme year 2005 and earlier continue the degree programme according to the previous curriculum except from the seminar and the Master's thesis, where the regulations in this curriculum are to be followed. However, this does not apply for students who no later than 1st September 2006 have started the seminar or Master's thesis in groups according to previous curriculae.

Tests according to previous curriculae must be completed no later than 31st August 2008.

Regulation concerning cancellation of enrolment owing to study inactivity

According to § 31 in the Ministerial Order No. 126 of 26 February 2004 concerning admission etc. for the bachelor and master programmes at the universities regulations regarding cancellation of enrolment owing to study inactivity are hereby stipulated.

§ 1. Enrolment is cancelled when a student has not been actively studying within the last two years, unless the student and the Study Board / Director of Studies agree in writing.

Subsection 2. Periods of leave are not included after subsection 1.

§2. Study inactivity means that the student has made no attempts to sit for any exam nor passed any courses by virtue of credit transfer within the last two years.

§3. Before the end of the two year period, the student will be offered counselling and possible supportive arrangements with the aim of resuming study activity.

Subsection 2. Prior to the cancellation of enrolment the student is informed about the date of the cancellation of enrolment.

Subsection 3. If the student does not respond to this information after subsection 1 and 2, or if the student stays away from the supportive arrangement after subsection 1, enrolment will be cancelled.

§4. The Study Board may make exemptions from the regulations in §§ 1-3 under exceptional circumstances.

§5. The regulations do not include enrolment at Part Time Study (Åben Uddannelse).

§6. The regulations take effect as from 1 September 2005 and include students who are enrolled at a programme offered by The Faculty of Social Sciences on the date of effect of the regulations and students who are enrolled after the date of effect of the regulations.

27th of May 2004
