

Excerpt from the Examination Rules for the Master Degree Course in Computer Science (January 2012; inofficial translation)

§ 4 Standard Period of Study, Study Plan, Scope of Teaching

(1) The standard period of study is 4 semesters, including the Master Thesis. The study contents are selected and limited in such a way that the Masters examination can be completed within the regular period of study.

(2) The study contents are selected and limited in such a way that the Masters examination can be completed within the regular period of study. They will be taught in the form of modules which, as a rule, consist of teaching units of a semester, which are interrelated to each other with regard to their topics, their methods or their systems.

(3) Each module will be completed by a module test and will be evaluated on the basis of score points (ECTS-points) in accordance with the ECTS (*European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System*). Each ECTS-point corresponds to a calculated student workload of 30 hours.

(4) The course comprises modules worth a total of 120 ECTS-points. Of these, 88 ECTS-point may be obtained from modules of the range of obligatory optional subjects. The Master Thesis is potentially worth 30 ECTS-points, and the associated accompanying seminar is worth 2 ECTS-points. No later than after the second semester, each student will select as his/her course emphasis one of four possible areas, from which at least 31 and no more than 61 ECTS-points will have to be obtained. The remaining 27 to 57 ECTS-points may be obtained from modules in the other areas - at least 6 ECTS-points must be obtained from at least two of the three remaining areas. In the area the student has selected as his/her course emphasis, one seminar worth 4 ECTS-points and one lab worth 9 ECTS-points must be completed successfully. No more than 10 ECTS-points can be obtained from seminars; no more than 18 ECTS-points can be obtained from labs. The details regarding the modules, their admission requirements and the number of score points per module are set out in Annex 2. The emphasis selected may be changed, prior to the issue of the topic of the Master Thesis, upon a substantiated request to the Examination Board.

(5) The course may be started in either the summer or the winter semester. If the course is started in the summer semester, it is obligatory to make use of the course guidance service prior to beginning the course.

§ 8 Recognition of Course and Examination Achievements

(4) The academic degree of "Master of Science" will be awarded by the Faculty only if both the sum total of at least 45 of the performance scores to be achieved in the obligatory options area according to § 4, par. 4, as well as the 30 ECTS-points of the Master Thesis at Bonn University have been acquired.

§ 11 Implementation of Examinations during the Course of Studies

(1) Module exams relate to the teaching contents of the modules mentioned in Annex 2.

(2) During the module exams, the students must be enrolled for this course of studies.

(3) In the module exams, theoretical knowledge about the taught subject areas that was acquired within the course of the respective module, as well as ability to understand wider

relationships are checked. As a rule, the module exams take the form of a written paper or of an oral exam. The exam forms possible in each case, as well as the admission conditions, will be set out in the module plan. The concrete form of the exam will be determined in agreement with the examiners and will be communicated by the Examination Board in good time prior to the beginning of the respective semester. For modules of a lecture type including exercises, it is admissible to demand in the module plan regular and successful participation in the exercises as an admission condition for written or oral module exams.

(4) For all module exams to be carried out in the form of written papers or oral exams, two exam dates will be offered within the semester in which the module is completed. Candidates, who do not pass the module exam in the first instance, may re-sit the exam on the second date. If the exam result required for passing is not achieved on either of the two dates, the module exam will be regarded as failed. As a rule, the exam dates will be set shortly before and shortly after the end of the lecture time of the respective semester. The dates will be communicated by the Examination Board in good time on a notice board or by electronic means.

(5) Examination results in seminars will relate, as a rule, to written papers and oral discourses relating to partial areas of the subject matter dealt with in the seminar. Exams in practical training and in project seminars comprise as a rule the independent handling, documentation and presentation of a project, which may also include cooperation with the occupational practice. Group work is possible, provided it does not prevent a differentiated evaluation of each individual candidate's performance.

(6) Modules (lectures exempted), in which a qualification for the module examination can only be reached by regular/successful/active attendance and participation, the examination board has the right to determine, at the request of the lecturer, that the above mentioned prerequisite applies for that particular module examination. Thereby, it needs to be defined, under which conditions a regular/successful/active attendance and participation is fulfilled. The decision needs to be published according to § 6 par.6.

(7) If a candidate is able to satisfy the Examination Board by providing appropriate proof to show that due to a permanent reason or a reason lasting for more than one semester, or due to a chronic disease, they are not able to sit the exam wholly or partially in the specified form, the Examination Board will allow the candidate to provide an equivalent course and/or examination performance in a form which meets the necessary requirements and, where necessary, also within a correspondingly extended working time.

§ 12 Re-sitting of Exams

(1) Each module exam which is failed or regarded as failed, may be re-sat up to two times. Any failed attempts in the same or a related or comparable module or course of studies at other universities will be taken into account. If necessary, the Examination Board will establish which modules or courses of studies shall be regarded as equivalent.

(2) If a candidate fails to appear for a re-sit without providing an apology, the exam will be evaluated as "nicht ausreichend" (5.0) (inadequate).

(3) If an obligatory optional module is not passed even after a second re-sit, the candidate has the option of selecting a new obligatory option module which has not previously been selected. Once all the compensation options are exhausted, the candidate will lose their right to an examination and will be exmatriculated.

(4) A module exam marked at least “ausreichend” (4.0) (adequate) cannot be re-sat. However, a maximum of three module exams successfully completed within the first year of study, may each be re-sat once for result improvement in the next semester the relevant module is taught again. In this case, the student has to file a written request to the Examination Board no later than three months before the relevant module exam is intended to be re-sat (i.e. three months before the relevant examination date). An admission to re-sitting a module exam for result improvement will be granted without another successful participation in the exercises of the module. The more adequate examination result will be effective. The less successful attempt will be counted as “not occurred”. By request, the re-sitting of a module exam for result improvement may also take place at the second attempt of the module exam in the relevant semester, if the module exam has already been successfully completed at the first attempt. The request needs to be filed to the examination board no later than two weeks after the first attempt’s exam results have been published. More than one re-sitting of a successfully completed module exam will not be granted.

(5) Due to the special characteristics of the achievements in seminars, labs and project groups, a failed module exam in these types of modules can only be resat after another participation in the respective module.

§ 13 Protection Regulations, Default, Withdrawals, Deception, Rule Violations

(1) An examination result will be marked “nicht ausreichend” (5.0) (inadequate) if a candidate misses an exam date without a valid reason, withdraws from the examination without a valid reason after the start of the exam or does not hand in the Masters Thesis within the specified period. The same applies if a written exam paper is not handed in within the specified handling period. The candidate may withdraw from a module exam by writing to the Examination Board no later than one week prior to the respective exam date. The date of receipt by the Examination Board shall apply.

(2) The reasons stated for the withdrawal or default, have to be immediately indicated to the Examination Board in writing and have to be substantiated. If a candidate falls ill, they may be required to submit a medical certificate containing the medical results which the Examination Office will need in order to determine the candidate’s inability to sit the exam. In individual cases, the Chairman of the Examination Board may require the submission of medical certificates issued by an independent medical examiner appointed by the Examination Office or by a Medical Officer. If the Examination Board recognises the reasons given, this will be treated as if no attempt had been made to sit the exam. Shortcomings of an exam must be announced immediately to the examiner or supervisor by the candidate. The shortcomings must be recorded in writing and forwarded to the examination board.

(3) If an attempt is made to influence the result of the exam by deception or by using inadmissible aids, the respective exam performance will be evaluated as “nicht ausreichend” (5.0) (inadequate). This will be determined by the respective examiner or invigilator, put on record and passed onto the Examination Board. A candidate who disturbs the proper running of the exam may, upon admonition, be excluded by the respective examiner or invigilator from continuing with the exam. In this case the respective exam will be declared failed and will be evaluated as “nicht ausreichend” (5.0). The reasons for the exclusion will be put on record.

(4) Candidates may demand within two weeks that decisions according to par. 3, sentences 1 and 2, be reviewed by the Examination Office.

(5) Maternity periods as established in the Maternity Protection Act (MuSchG) applicable at the time shall be duly taken into consideration on application by the candidate. The application

must be accompanied by necessary evidential documents. Maternity periods will put on hold any deadlines in accordance with these examination rules; the maternity period will not be included in the period of the deadline.

(6) Parental leave periods, as stipulated in the laws applicable at the time with regard to parental allowances and parental leave (BEEG), are also to be considered upon application. Candidates will have to notify the Examination Office in writing no later than four weeks prior to the date on which they wish to commence their parental leave about the period or periods of time for which they wish to claim their parental leave. This notification shall be accompanied by the necessary evidential documents. The Examination Office is responsible for checking whether the legal requirements which, in the case of the employee, would initiate a right to parental leave according to BEEG are met, and will immediately communicate to the candidate the results as well as, if applicable, the newly fixed examination periods. The working period for a Master Thesis cannot be put on hold during parental leave. The task set will be regarded as not allocated. At the end of the parental leave period, the candidate will be given a new topic.

(7) Default periods due to caring for or looking after spouses, registered life partners, relatives in straight succession or persons related by marriage in the first degree, if they are in need of care or looking after, shall be considered upon application. The Examination Office is responsible for checking whether the criteria according to sentence 1 are met. The application shall be submitted immediately once the criteria have been met. Meaningful evidential documents must be attached to the request. The Examination Office will immediately communicate the result to the candidate and to the Examination Board, along with any newly set exam dates. The working period for a Master Thesis cannot be extended by such default periods. The task set will be regarded as not allocated. At the end of the default period, the candidate will be given a new topic.

(8) In the case of any multiple or otherwise serious deception attempts, the candidate may be exmatriculated. A decision with regard to this will be made by the Dean upon suggestion by the Examination Board.

(9) Any intentional violation of a regulation of these examination rules with regard to deception in relation to exam results will be regarded as an offence. Such an offence may be punished by a fine of up to 50,000 Euros. The responsible administration authority for prosecuting and punishing such offences according to sentence 1 is the Chancellor of Bonn University.

§ 14 Written Papers

(1) Written exam papers are intended to provide a means for students to prove that they are able to find an approach to a solution to a problem from the subject area of the module within a limited period of time and with limited aids by using methods customary in this particular area. The examiners will announce the admissible aids in good time.

(2) The time allowed for the completion of each written paper will be no less than 90 minutes and no more than 180 minutes. The paper will be evaluated at the first test date by one examiner and at the second test date by two examiners. The mark given for the paper will be made up from the arithmetic mean of the individual marks. The definite test date will be published by the examination board at the beginning of a semester.

(3) Before the examination results are determined, the examination questions need to be checked if they are incorrect, compared to the requirements of the respective module. Incorrect examination questions cannot be counted for the examination result. When determining the examination result, the reduced amount of examination questions needs to be taken into account. Reducing the amount of examination questions must not turn into a

disadvantage to the candidate. When determining an examination result, an examination question cannot be evaluated with a negative score.

(4) Candidates have the right to apply for permission to view their marked written papers. Such an application must be filed no later than three months after the communication of the examination result. The Examination Board will communicate to the candidate in good time the period of time for viewing. § 29 of *Verwaltungsverfahrensgesetz für das Land Nordrhein-Westfalen (VwVfG-NRW)* does not apply.

(5) Instead of the scheduled written paper, the Examination Board may set, in agreement with the examiner, an oral exam which will cover the subject area of the module. This will be made known in good time at the beginning of the semester on a notice board or in electronic form.

§ 15 Oral Examinations

(1) Oral exams are intended to give candidates the opportunity to prove that they have acquired a broad knowledge base in the examination subject, that they recognise the relationships thereof and are able to correlate special problems with these relationships and to demonstrate possibilities for their solution.

(2) Oral exams will be taken as individual or group exams either before several examiners (Examining Board) or before one examiner in the presence of a competent assessor. A deviation from this is possible, provided the auditability of the examination is ensured. If the examination takes place before several examiners, the candidate will be examined in each examination area by only one examiner. Prior to fixing the mark, the examiner is obliged to consult the other examiners or assessors without the candidate present. The examination time for each candidate and module exam will be no less than 15 and no more than 45 minutes. In the case of group exams, each candidate within each group must be given the same exam time proportion.

(3) The essential items and the result of the individual exams shall be minuted. The result shall be communicated to the candidates at the end of the oral exam.

(4) Where space permits, any candidates wanting to sit the same oral exam at a later date will be admitted as onlookers, provided that all the candidates agree. The decision will be made by the examiner or, if the examination is held by a Board, by the Chairman of this Board. Admission does not extend to the consultation and communication of the exam results. Onlookers are not allowed to take notes during the exams.

(5) Instead of the scheduled oral exam, the Examination Board may set a written exam paper upon agreement with the examiner, which covers the subject area of the module. This will be communicated in good time at the beginning of the semester on the notice board or in electronic form.

§ 16 Projects, Presentations and Seminar Lectures

(1) Projects are used, as a rule, to allow students to demonstrate their team working ability and in particular their ability to develop, implement and present concepts. Candidates shall demonstrate that they are able to define objectives within a larger task and to find interdisciplinary solution approaches and concepts. In the case of a project completed as a team, the contribution of each individual candidate needs to be clearly recognisable and evaluable, and the requirements according to sentence 1 must be met. § 15 applies correspondingly to the presentation of projects. The length of an oral discourse should be of no less than 10 and no more than 45 minutes' duration per candidate.

(2) Presentations are oral discourses of no less than 10 and no more than 45 minutes' duration. They document the candidates' ability to present their own results arrived at by

scientific methods in a comprehensible manner and to explain them in a discussion. Apart from that, § 15 applies correspondingly.

(3) Seminar lectures are oral discourses of no less than 15 and no more than 60 minutes' duration. They are supported by scientific original literature and candidates' own research work and will, as a rule, be complemented by a written paper of 5-10 DIN A4 pages. Seminar discourses document the candidates' ability to present scientific results in a comprehensible manner and to explain them in a discussion. § 14 applies to the written paper, § 15 correspondingly to the discourse.

§ 17 Master Thesis

(1) The Master Thesis is a written examination paper intended to show that the candidate is able to work on a problem from the subject area of the course of studies independently using scientific methods within a specified term, to find a solution therefore and to present this in an appropriate manner. When enrolling for the Master Thesis, the candidate shall be given the opportunity to present suggestions for the subject area from which the topic of the Master Thesis is selected; however, the Examination Board is not bound to take up this suggestion. The Master Thesis shall be written in English.

(2) The topic of the Master Thesis may be set by any of the examiners appointed according to § 7, par. 1. The person who sets the topic will, as a rule, also be the supervisor for this Master Thesis. If the Master Thesis is to be set and supervised by another university lecturer active in research and teaching or is to be carried out in a facility outside of the university, this will require the approval of the Chairman of the Examination Board, which may be given only if appropriate support by the examiner according to § 7. par. 1 is ensured.

(3) The Chairman of the Examination Board will ensure, upon the candidate's application, that he/she is given their topic for the Master Thesis in good time.

(4) The topic of the Master Thesis will be issued via the Examination Board. The topic of the Thesis and the time of issue will be put on record.

(5) The Master Thesis may be permitted to take the form of group work, provided the contribution of each individual candidate whose examination performance is to be evaluated can be clearly identified and evaluated by marked sections, page numbers or other objective criteria enabling an unambiguous identification, and provided the requirements regarding par. 1 are met. The textual part of the Master Thesis shall comprise no less than 25 and no more than 100 DIN A4 pages; in the case of group work, the overall scope will be increased accordingly, the proportion of each candidate in the group work should then be at least 25 pages and no more than 100 DIN A4 pages.

(6) The overall amount of work required to complete the Master Thesis is approximately 900 hours and thus corresponds to 30 ECTS-POINTS. The time period for carrying out the work will be a maximum of six months. Topic, task and scope of the Master Thesis shall be limited in such a way that the Master Thesis can be completed within this period under reasonable requirements. The Chairman of the Examination Board can, on a substantiated application, grant an extension of term of up to six weeks in agreement with the thesis supervisor. The Master Thesis will, as a rule, be issued at the end of the third semester. The topic of the Thesis may be rejected by the candidate only once and only within the first two months after it was

issued. If the topic is refused under these circumstances, the Master Thesis will be deemed as not issued.

(7) When submitting the Master Thesis, the candidate has to confirm in writing that the Thesis – in the case of group work the correspondingly marked part of the Thesis – was written independently and that none other than the specified sources and aids were used and that any citations have been marked. The Examination Office may, where there is any doubt, demand from the candidate an affidavit with regard to this as well as a version of the Master Thesis which allows an electronic match to be made (diskette, CD ROM etc.).

§ 18 Acceptance, Evaluation and Retaking of the Master Thesis

(1) The Master Thesis shall be handed in to the Examination Board, by the deadline, in triplicate; the time of submission will be put on record. Once handed in, a Master Thesis can no longer be withdrawn by the candidate. If the Master Thesis is not handed in by the deadline, it will be evaluated as “nicht ausreichend” (5.0) (inadequate).

(2) The Master Thesis shall be assessed and evaluated by two examiners appointed according to § 7, par. 1. One of these examiners will be the one who set the topic of the Master Thesis; the second examiner will be appointed by the Examination Board from the group of examiners named in accordance with § 7, par. 1. At least one of the examiners must be a member of the group of university lecturers at Bonn University. Candidates may make suggestions; however, they have no right to demand that a certain examiner be allocated to them.

(3) The individual evaluations will be carried out in accordance with § 19, par. 1 and will be substantiated in writing. The mark of the Master Thesis will be made up of the arithmetic mean of the individual evaluations, provided the difference is less than 2.0. If the difference is 2.0 or more, the Examination Board will appoint a third examiner to mark the Master Thesis. In this case, the mark will be made up of the arithmetic mean of the two better individual marks. For calculating the mean value, § 19, par. 6 applies. The Master Thesis, however, may be evaluated as “ausreichend” (adequate) or better only if at least two marks are “ausreichend” or better.

(4) The evaluation of the Master Thesis will be communicated to the candidate no later than eight weeks after the closing date. If the Master Thesis was completed by several students working as a team, the independent proportion of each individual student within the group shall be evaluated.

(5) If the Master Thesis is marked “ausreichend” (4.0) or better, the candidate will obtain 30 ECTS-points.

(6) If the Master Thesis is evaluated as “nicht bestanden” (failed) or is regarded as “nicht bestanden”, the candidate may re-take it once. Any failed attempts in the same subject area at other universities will be taken into account. The topic of the second Master Thesis does not have to be selected from the same subject area from which the topic for the first Master Thesis was taken. The topic of the re-taken Master Thesis may, however, be refused in accordance with § 17, par. 6, sentence 6 only if the student did not make use of this option in their first Master Thesis. If this second Master Thesis is also evaluated as “nicht ausreichend” (inadequate), the Masters examination is regarded as finally failed. This results in a general loss in the right to take examinations and leads to exmatriculation.

§ 19 Evaluation of Examination Results, Working Out of Marks and Passing the Masters Exam

(1) The marks for the individual exam results will be set by the respective examiners. If several examiners are involved in the examination, the mark will be made up by the arithmetic mean value of the individual marks. The following marks will be used for the evaluation:

1	sehr gut (very good)	an outstanding performance
2	gut (good)	a performance which substantially exceeds the average requirements
3	befriedigend (satisfactory)	a performance corresponding to the average requirements
4	ausreichend (adequate)	a performance meeting the requirements despite its deficiencies
5	nicht ausreichend (inadequate)	a performance which due to its major deficiencies no longer meets the requirements

For a differentiated evaluation of the examination results, individual marks may be raised or lowered to interim values by 0.3. The marks 0.7 and 4.3 as well as 4.7 and 5.3 are excluded from this.

(2) An exam in a module is passed if the module mark is at least “ausreichend” (4.0). Where the module mark is made up of several partial exam results, it will be calculated from the weighted arithmetic averages of the marks of the individual exam results. The module mark to be shown in the report is as follows:

average up to and including 1.5	= sehr gut (very good)
average from 1.6 up to and including 2.5	= gut (good)
average from 2.6 up to and including 3.5	= befriedigend (satisfactory)
average from 3.6 up to and including 4.0	= ausreichend (adequate)
average from 4.1 upwards	= nicht ausreichend (inadequate)

(3) The evaluation of the written exam performances shall be communicated to the candidate no later than six weeks, and the evaluation of the Master Thesis no later than eight weeks after the closing date. A communication on the notice board or in electronic form – in accordance with the requirements stipulated in the Data Protection Act – is adequate. This will take place prior to the end of the set period of time for completion of studies.

(4) The Masters examination is regarded as passed if all module exams as well as the Master Thesis have been passed with at least “ausreichend” (adequate) (4.0) and 120 ECTS-points have been obtained under consideration of §§ 4 and 8, par. 7.

(5) The overall mark of the Masters examination is calculated from the average (arithmetic mean) of the individual module marks, weighted by the score points of the respective module marks. Para 2, sentence 3 applies accordingly. Deviating therefrom, the overall mark will be “ausgezeichnet” (outstanding), if the average mark of all module exams is no worse than 1.3 and the Master Thesis was marked 1.0. Any modules recognised as “bestanden” (passed) due to lack of comparability will not be taken into account in the calculation of the overall mark.

(6) When making up the module marks and the overall mark, only the first digit after the decimal point will be taken into account; any further digits will be deleted without rounding up or down.

(7) In order to facilitate international comparability, the overall mark will have allocated thereto the corresponding level of the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS).

(8) The Masters examination will be regarded as finally failed if the candidate has made three unsuccessful attempts at the module exam and the compensation options in the obligatory

optional area according to § 12, par. 3 have been exhausted, or if the re-sat Master Thesis was marked “nicht ausreichend” (inadequate).

§ 20 Report

(1) As soon as all the final marks are available, a preliminary confirmation of the exam results will be sent to the candidates. Subsequently - if possible within four weeks - a report will be issued in the German language, which will have attached thereto an English translation certified by the Examination Office. The report will include:

- all the modules from which score points have been obtained,
- the semester in which the score points were obtained,
- the marks of the individual exam performances which were achieved,
- the topic of and mark attained in the Master Thesis, as well as
- the overall mark attained in the Masters exam and the corresponding ECTS level.

(2) Upon the candidate's application, results of exams in any additional subjects or modules may be included in the report in accordance with § 25, together with the corresponding scope of studies. The report should fulfil the regulation of ECTS.

(3) The report will bear the date on which the last exam result was achieved. It will be stamped with the seal of the Examination Office and will be signed by the Dean and the Chairman of the Examination Board.

(4) If the Masters examination has been finally failed or is regarded as finally failed, the Examination Office will communicate this to the candidate in writing, indicating any available legal remedies.

(5) Students leaving the university without a final degree may, after exmatriculation, apply for a performance report listing the overall study and exam performances achieved. This performance report will be limited to any successfully completed parts of the course of study. In addition, a confirmation may be issued, upon the student's request, which additionally indicates which examinations were not passed or which are still missing in order to pass the Masters examination.

§ 21 Diploma Supplement

The Masters report will be supplemented by a Diploma Supplement. The Diploma Supplement will include, in a standardised English language form, any complementary information regarding study content, study process, plus the academic and occupational qualifications obtained with the final degree, as well as details about the issuing university.

§ 22 Masters Certificate

Together with the Masters examination report, the students will be handed a Masters Certificate which bears the date of the report in the German language on the conferral of the academic degree according to § 2. The certificate will be signed by the Dean of the Faculty and by the Chairman of the Examination Board and will bear the seal of the Faculty of Mathematics and Natural Science.

§ 23 Viewing the Examination Files

(1) Within a period of six months after receiving the examination report, students may apply to the Examination Board for permission to view their examination files. § 29 of the Verwaltungsverfahrensgesetz für das Land Nordrhein-Westfalen (VwVfG-NRW) does not apply in this case.

(2) The Examination Board will determine the location and time of the viewing.

§ 24 Invalidity of the Masters Exam, Withdrawal of the Masters Degree

(1) If a student is found guilty of deception during an exam after the report has been issued, the Examination Office may change retrospectively any marks for those exams during which the deception took place as well as the overall mark proportionately and may declare the exam wholly or partially as “nicht bestanden” (failed).

(2) If the conditions for admission to an exam were not met, without there being any intentional deception on the part of the candidate, and this fact does not become known until after the issuing of the report, then this deficiency will be remedied by the exam having been passed. If a candidate has deliberately brought about their admission, the Examination Office will decide the legal consequences on the basis of the *Verwaltungsverfahrensgesetz* (Administrative Procedures Act) for the Federal State of Nordrhein-Westfalen.

(3) Prior to a decision being made, the individuals concerned will be given an opportunity to be heard.

(4) The incorrect examination report will be withdrawn and, if applicable, a new examination report will be issued. In addition to the incorrect exam report, the Masters Certificate will also be withdrawn if, because of a deception, any of the exams have been declared “nicht bestanden” (failed). A decision according to par. 1 and par. 2, sentence 2, will be no longer possible after a period of five years after the exam report was issued.

(5) If the Masters exam is overall declared “nicht bestanden” (failed), the student will be stripped of their Masters Degree, with both the Masters Report and the Masters Certificate also being withdrawn.

§ 25 Additional Examination Performances

Provided not all of the examinations mentioned in § 9, par. 2 have been sat, students may apply to sit examinations for a maximum of 24 ECTS-points in additional modules of this course of studies, as well as those which are not part of the study programme of the course of studies, but are recognised as an examination subject at a Faculty (additional subjects or modules). The result of the examinations in these additional subjects or modules will be included in the report upon the student's request, but will not be taken into account when determining the overall mark.