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**Exceptional Regulations in the Administration of
Examinations in Bachelor's and Master's Study
Courses**

at the South Westphalia University of Applied Sciences

due to the coronavirus SARS-CoV-2 epidemic (Exceptional
procedures coronavirus epidemic)
of 22 April 2020

In accordance with the first sentence of § 82a (1) of the Higher Education Act NRW as of 16 September 2014 (GV. NRW. S. 547), amended by law as of 14 April 2020 (GV. NRW. S. 218b) and in accordance with the first sentence of § 6 (3), the third sentence of § 7 (1) and the fourth sentence of § 7 (2) of the Regulations for dealing with the challenges in higher education caused by the coronavirus SARS-CoV-2 epidemic (Corona Epidemic University Regulations) as of 15 April 2020,

the Rectorate of the South Westphalia University of Applied Sciences has issued the following Exceptional Regulations:

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§ 1 Applicability

These Exceptional Regulations apply to the module examinations in all Bachelor's and Master's study courses at the South Westphalia University of Applied Sciences. These Regulations supersede the General Examination Regulations as well as the relevant Examination Regulations and the Bachelor's and Master's Examination Regulations in the current valid version at the beginning of the lecture period of the summer semester 2020.

§ 2 Amendment to the Form and Duration of the Module Examination

The form and duration of the module examination can be amended in deviation from the Examination Regulations or the provisions in the module handbooks. The Rectorate consults the faculties by forwarding the examination schedules prepared by the examination boards, which regulate the form and duration of examinations, for a review through the deans of the faculties and, after approval by the Rectorate, publishing these on the FH SWF website in the section Studierende/Rund ums Studium/Studienorganisation/Prüfungsordnungen.

A different examination form as described in the framework of the General Examination Regulations or in the Bachelor's or Master's examination regulations, or a legally compliant form of an examination in electronic form or in electronic communication (online examination) can be chosen instead of an written examination.

§ 3 Admission Requirements

Admission to examinations which are scheduled for the summer semester 2020 does not require the performances prescribed in the Examination Regulations and module handbooks as prerequisites for the respective examination. This does not apply to final theses, colloquia and practical phases, unless the respective faculty regulates this separately.

§ 4
Regulation on Free Attempts

Examinations that are taken for the first time and are not passed are deemed not to have been taken in accordance with § 7 (4) of the Corona Epidemic University Regulations.

§ 5
**Cancelled Module Examinations in the Winter Semester
2019/2020**

If module examinations have been cancelled due to infection prevention measures in the context of the coronavirus SARS-CoV-2 epidemic, students admitted to these module examinations may, after new examination dates have been scheduled and announced by the examination boards, take these module examinations without re-registration or they may withdraw from these examination dates at any time and without further notice.

§ 6
Amendment to the Forms of Teaching

The forms of teaching described in the module handbooks can be amended by the faculties for their study courses or, within the study courses, for individual modules, and by notifying the Rectorate of the amended form of teaching published in an overview table for their study courses and, after approval by the Rectorate, on the FH SWF website in the section Studierende/Rund ums Studium/Studienorganisation/Prüfungsordnungen.

§ 7
Coming into Effect and Publication

These Exceptional Regulations come into effect on the day after their publication. They are published in the public announcement "Amtliche Bekanntmachung der Fachhochschule Südwestfalen – Verkündungsblatt der Fachhochschule Südwestfalen" of South Westphalia University of Applied Sciences. They are valid until all examinations scheduled for the summer semester 2020 have been taken, at the latest until 31 March 2021.

These Exceptional Regulations are issued on the basis of the decision of the Rectorate of 22 April 2020.

Iserlohn, 22 April 2020

The Rector of the South Westphalia University of Applied Sciences

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