

University-wide regulations for studies and examination procedures to mitigate the legal uncertainties caused by the coronavirus crisis, as well as the fundamental decisions of the Senate for the 2021 summer semester

Resolutions:

I.

All examinations scheduled for the 2021 summer semester shall proceed as planned. The examiner may deviate from the intended form of examination if this is necessary in order to protect against infection or due to a change in teaching formats. Students are encouraged to participate in the examinations; there is, however, generally no obligation to take part in the examinations in the 2021 summer semester. The grading procedure for the examinations is described in paragraph IV.

II.

Due to the fact that there is no obligation to take examinations and because deadlines could be missed as a result, all deadlines for repeat exams will be set aside for another semester and the current deadlines are no longer valid. All deadlines for repeat examinations are thus automatically extended again by one semester. There will be no notification of deadlines for the 2021 summer semester. Compulsory registrations, in particular for final theses, will be suspended in the 2021 summer semester, as there is no obligation to take examinations.

III.

Students can decide for themselves whether to accept individual examination results from the 2021 summer semester. This also applies to academic work graded as "insufficient" (5,0) or "failed", with the exception of grades given for cheating or non-attendance. The recognition/acceptance of an examination result does not require a separate declaration by the student. If a student chooses to reject an examination result, they must declare this to the Examination office by the end of the 2021/2022 winter semester. In this case, the examination can be taken again and is classed as the first attempt, whereby the new grade is counted. The declaration should be made prior to the registration for the corresponding exam, in the case that the student wants to re-take the exam. The same applies to all other types of examined work, in particular graduation theses and colloquia, as well as preliminary examinations, provided that their repetition is limited. Students are asked to take advantage of this opportunity responsibly and mindfully, in order to avoid a significant increase in the workload and in the length of the grading process of the examiners. It is also feasible (for examiners) to waive the possibility of rejecting examination results.

IV.

In principle, no decisions will be issued for the 2021 summer semester regarding the failure or irreversible failure of graded work. However, the decision of the Examination Board on examinations that have received the grade "insufficient" (5.0) or "failed", e.g. due to cheating, shall

stand. The same applies to all other types of graded work, in particular graduation theses and colloquia, as well as preliminary examinations.

V.

The examination boards are requested to take appropriate measures to mitigate any potential disadvantages that may arise in the event of a transfer to a newer version of the study documents in the subsequent semester. In particular, it should be avoided that students have to submit additional graded work due to such a transfer caused by the corona pandemic.

VI.

The stipulations shall be corroborated by the implementing regulations issued by the Vice-Rector Academic Affairs with the participation of the Teaching Coordination Staff; the implementing regulations shall be published in an appropriate manner.