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Non-official Reading Version

Examination Regulations of Master Programmes of the University of Trier

as of 12 November 2007 with amendments

- § 1. Jurisdiction, Objective of Studies, Purpose of Master Certificate, Academic Degree
- (2) The Master programmes are academic programmes that are built on subject-specific and interdisciplinary knowledge, skills, and methods attained in the Bachelor programmes.
- § 4. Regular number of semesters to degree completion, deadlines
- **(2)** The programme is organized in such a way that the number of terms stipulated for the completion of the programme need not be exceeded. Meeting some certain minimum performance deadlines is required for a successful continuation of the programme. The following number of credit points should be obtained during the studies:
 - 1. at least 30 credit points after the 1st academic year,
 - 2. at least 60 credit points after the 2nd academic year,
 - 3. at least 90 credit points after the 3rd academic year,
 - 4. at least 120 credit points after the 4th academic year.

In case of not meeting these minimum requirements, a student is asked in writing to meet with the student advisory service. During the meeting, the student's study experience is discussed as well as his or her reasons for not meeting the above requirements. Furthermore, ways how to get back on track and fulfil the requirements by the end of the following term will be discussed.

- § 6. Programme workload, modules
- (2) In total, 120 credit points have to be obtained in order to complete the programme.
- § 15. Master Thesis
- (10) A failed master thesis can be repeated at most once. The student has six weeks after the failure notification to register a master thesis with a new topic. A second failed attempt to pass the master thesis results in the forced removal from the master programme.

§ 17. Examinations

(2) Regularly, compulsory module exams and elective module exams can be repeated at most twice in case a student fails an exam or part of it. The special master programme examination regulations may allow another attempt in case a certain minimum number of credit points has

been achieved. In case of failure, it is forbidden to replace a failed compulsory module with an alternative one. Failed elective modules can be replaced by an alternative module. however, the number of previously failed attempts is counted towards the number of attempts for the replacement module.

- (3) Failed attempts at passing a module in a similar study programme at another German university count towards the number of attempts at the University of Trier. A passed examination cannot be repeated.
- (4) In case of failure, the exam has to be repeated at the next offered sitting. In case the retake exam is offered up to four months after the last sitting, the student is not required to take the exam then, but needs to retake the exam at the first sitting after the four months are over. If a student misses the deadline to retake the exam, the exam counts as failed.
- (5) In case a student exhausts the permissible number of attempts without passing the respective module, he or she is forcibly deregistered from the master programme. The university issues a written notification that the master examination has been ultimately failed. The notification contains instructions purporting to the possibility of legal appeal.