

**Study and Examination Regulations
for the Master's programme of the THI Business School
M.A. Global Business
at Technische Hochschule Ingolstadt
from 23.01.2023**

Preamble

On the basis of Art. 9, 80 Para. 1 Sentence 1 and 84 Paras. 2 and 3 of the Bavarian Higher Education Innovation Act - BayHIG - of 5 August 2022 (GVBl. p. 414, BayRS 2210-1-3-WK), as amended, Technische Hochschule Ingolstadt issues the following statutes:

Preliminary remark on the use of language

For reasons of readability and clarity, all references to persons and functions are in the masculine form and apply equally to all genders.

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§ 1

Purpose of the study and examination regulations

These study and examination regulations serve to complete and supplement the Framework Examination Regulations for Universities of Applied Sciences (RaPO) of 17 October 2001 (GVBl p. 686, Bay RS 2210-4-1-4-1-WFK) and the General Examination Regulations of Technische Hochschule Ingolstadt (APO THI) of 25.07.2011 in their respective versions.

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Study objective

- (1) ¹Aim of the Master's programme Global Business is to provide students with an in-depth knowledge of the subject area of Global Business. ²The programme teaches strategic and operational competences for the organisation of international activities of companies. ³In addition, management, methodological and social skills are taught. ⁴By teaching intercultural skills, students are prepared for the increasing demands of the increasingly globalised world of work.
- (2) ¹On the basis of scientific knowledge and methods, university graduates are prepared for management and expert tasks in internationally operating companies and organisations. ²In addition to technical and methodological knowledge, the degree programme also provides impetus for the development of social skills. ³It also promotes independent scientific work with a focus on applied research.
- (3) The programme is taught in English language.

§ 3

Qualification for the study

- (1) ¹Qualification requirements for admission to the Master's programme are:
 - a) Proof of successful completion of a degree programme at a German higher education institution with at least 210 ECTS credit points or equivalent in the field of economics or related fields or an equivalent domestic or foreign degree. ²Proof is provided by submitting the degree certificate. ³The examination board decides on the equivalence,
 - b) a successfully completed aptitude test to determine the aptitude for the specific study programme. ²The requirements and structure of the procedure can be found in Annex 2 and § 4 of these study and examination regulations,
 - c) proof of sufficient knowledge of the English language (language level B2 of the Common European Framework of Reference).
- (2) ¹In the case of degrees that do not have credit points, the documented time hours (workload) are converted into credit points, whereby one credit point corresponds to an hourly load of 25 time hours. ²If no time hours are verified, 30 ECTS are recognised per theoretical study semester. ³Practical semesters are recognised with a further 30 ECTS insofar as

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they correspond to the practical study semester in type and scope at Technische Hochschule Ingolstadt.

- (3) ¹The evidence according to Paragraph 1 must be provided on the day of enrolment at the latest. ²If the proof according to Paragraph 1 lit. a) Sentence 1 is not provided by the end of the application period, a corresponding confirmation from the university must be provided by then, which credibly confirms the fulfilment of the requirement according to Paragraph 1 lit. a) Sentence 1 by the end of the enrolment period; the obligation according to Sentence 1 remains.
- (4) ¹Applicants who provide evidence of completed higher education studies or an equivalent degree for which less than 210 but at least 180 ECTS credits have been awarded shall be admitted if the other requirements according to Para. 1 are fulfilled and proof of the missing competences is provided with the application for admission. ²The missing competences according to sentence 1 are the proof of the compensation of the competence gap to the extent of up to 30 ECTS credit points towards the qualification requirement to be proven in paragraph 1 sentence 1 at at least Bachelor's level. ³The missing competences must be proven by the end of the application period at the latest and can be proven as follows:
- a. by providing evidence of practical work experience outside of the degree programme, which corresponds in content and scope to the basic internship and/or practical semester of a degree programme in economics, e.g. at the Technische Hochschule Ingolstadt, provided that the degree submitted shows deficits in the area of the practical competences to be demonstrated compared to the qualification requirement according to Para. 1 Sentence 1, or
 - b. by providing evidence of practical or theoretical study and examination achievements in addition to the first degree at a domestic or foreign higher education institution, which correspond in terms of content and scope to the requirements of an economics degree programme, e.g. at the Technische Hochschule Ingolstadt, provided that the degree submitted shows deficits in the area of the theoretical or practical competences to be demonstrated compared to the qualification requirement according to para. 1 sentence 1.
- ⁴The examination board shall decide on the equivalence. ⁵Para. 2 applies accordingly.
- (5) The prerequisites mentioned in paragraph 1 lit. a) and lit. b) must be met cumulatively.
- (6) If an applicant is not admitted, he/she will be informed of this in writing with a statement of reasons.

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Type and duration of the study programme

- (1) The degree programme is offered as a consecutive degree programme (part-time programme).

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- (2) ¹The programme comprises a standard period of study of four theoretical semesters with a workload of 90 ECTS. ²The Master's thesis is also to be written during this standard period of study.
- (3) ¹The higher education institution may also offer its courses supported by virtual forms of teaching. ²Further details are regulated the module handbook.

§ 5 Credit points

¹Credit points are awarded according to the European Credit Transfer System (ECTS) for examinations passed and course-related certificates of achievement per module. ²One credit point corresponds to a study load of 25 time hours, which are made up of attendance events and distance learning phases. ³The number of credit points results from Appendix 1 to these study and examination regulations.

§ 6 Modules and credits

- (1) The modules, their number of hours, the type of courses, the examinations, the course-related certificates of achievement as well as further provisions are set out in Annex 1 to these Statutes.
- (2) All modules are either compulsory, elective or optional:
1. Compulsory modules are those modules of the degree programme that are compulsory for all students.
 2. ¹Compulsory elective modules are those modules of the degree programme which are offered as alternatives, either individually or in groups. ²Each student must make a specific selection from among them in accordance with these regulations. ³The chosen modules are treated as compulsory modules.
 3. ¹Elective modules are modules that are not compulsory for the achievement of the degree objective. ²They can be additionally selected by the students from the entire range of courses offered by the university.
- (3) Courses, examinations and/or certificates are taught in English. English language.
- (4) ¹There is no entitlement to the Master's degree programme being carried out if there are not enough qualified students. ²Likewise, there is no claim that all modules will be offered in every semester.

§ 7 Module Handbook

- (1) ¹In order to ensure the courses offered and to provide information to the students, the faculty in charge shall draw up a module handbook from which the course of study can be seen in detail. ²The module handbook shall be adopted by the competent faculty

council and shall be made public at the university.³ New regulations must be made public at the latest at the beginning of the lecture period of the semester in which the regulations are to be applied for the first time.

- (2) The module handbook contains in particular regulations and information about:
1. the distribution of the semester hours per module and study semester,
 2. the catalogue of elective modules that can be selected with the name of the modules and their number of semester hours per week,
 3. more detailed provisions on the course-related performance and participation certificates,
 4. the form and organisation of courses,
 5. the type of course in the individual modules, insofar as it has not been conclusively defined in Annex 1,
 6. the study objectives (learning outcomes) and contents of the individual modules,
 7. more detailed provisions on the type and scope of the module examinations, insofar as these have not been conclusively defined in Annex 1,
 8. more detailed provisions for courses offered via new media.

§ 8 Master's Thesis

- (1) In the Master's Thesis, students should demonstrate their ability to apply the knowledge acquired during their studies to complex practical tasks in an independent scientific work.
- (2) ¹The topic of the Master's Thesis is issued at the beginning of the third study semester at the earliest. ²The issue of the topic of the Master's Thesis requires that at least study and examination achievements to the extent of 30 ECTS have been successfully completed.
- (3) The processing time for the Master's Thesis is six months.
- (4) In all other respects, the regulations on the final thesis in the General Examination Regulations of Technische Hochschule Ingolstadt apply.

§ 9 Assessment of performances, overall examination grade

- (1) The Master's examination is deemed to have been passed if all prescribed modules and the Master's Thesis have been passed with at least the grade "sufficient".
- (2) The formation of the overall examination grade results from the weighting of the individual grades according to Appendix 1.

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Master's examination certificate

- (1) ¹A certificate is issued for the passed Master's examination in accordance with the model contained in the General Examination Regulations of Technische Hochschule Ingolstadt (APO THI) in the respective version. ²The certificate sample is specified according to these study and examination regulations.
- (2) Together with the certificate of the passed Master's examination, a Diploma Supplement is issued according to the model contained in the APO THI.

§ 11

Academic degree

- (1) For the successful completion of the Master's examination, the academic degree of "Master of Arts", abbreviation: "M.A." is awarded by the Technische Hochschule Ingolstadt.
- (2)A certificate shall be issued on the award of the academic degree in accordance with the model contained in the Annex to the APO THI.

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Entry into force

¹These study and examination regulations shall enter into force 1 October 2023 come into force. ²They apply to all students who begin their studies in this degree programme from the winter semester 2023/2024.

Issued on the basis of the resolution of the Senate of Technische Hochschule Ingolstadt dated 23.01.2023, the resolution of the University Council of 02.03.2023 and approved by the President.

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Prof. Dr Walter Schober

President

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