

## **Important Information on Examination Regulations for Students Admitted to the M.Sc. Program in Economics**

**Please note: In the event of any conflict, only the German text of the Examination Regulations published in the Bulletin of the President's Office ("Bekanntmachungen des Rektorats") is legally binding.**

### **Examinations during the Introductory Phase**

Depending on your track of study, you must take either three or four modules during the introductory phase of your program.

#### ***Examination dates***

Usually, examinations are taken during the examination period at the end of the semester (see our academic calendar for more details<sup>i</sup>). Core modules may also include mid-term exams.

If you are taking the Economic Research preparatory courses, completion of module E700 Mathematics for Economists is mandatory in order for you to take other modules during the introductory phase. Module E700 Mathematics for Economists is scheduled for the first four weeks of the semester, with the examination taking place in early October. The other modules in this combination begin once this exam has been taken.

#### ***Exam registration***

You will automatically be registered for all module examinations that take place during the introductory phase. You cannot withdraw from these examinations.

#### ***Re-sit examinations***

If you fail a module examination during the introductory phase, you will automatically be registered to retake it on the next available examination date (second attempt).

A third attempt at an examination is only possible for one module during the introductory phase.

If you fail a third attempt, or a second attempt of more than one module examination during this phase, you will be disenrolled from the master's program in Economics.

If you passed an examination but are unhappy with the grade, you may re-sit **one** examination of your choice during this phase. In such a case, you must register for the examination by contacting the Student Services office<sup>ii</sup>. The better of the two grades will then count towards your grade average.

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<sup>i</sup> <https://www.uni-mannheim.de/en/academics/dates/academic-calendar/>

<sup>ii</sup> <https://www2.uni-mannheim.de/ionas/uni/studienbueros/english/>

## **Examinations during the Specialization Phase (Economics Track and CaRE<sup>iii</sup> Track)**

The specialization phase of your program begins in the second semester.

### ***Examination dates***

Written examinations are taken during the examination period at the end of the semester. You may have to complete other assignments that count towards your grade, such as presentations or term papers, during the semester. Elective modules may include mid-term exams.

### ***Exam registration***

You must register for your exams within the official registration periods. The dates of the registration periods are published on the Student Services<sup>iv</sup> website. Please note that an examination can be any task that you have to complete to receive credits for a module. This means that you still have to register for an examination if you are giving a presentation, handing in a term paper, or completing another assignment for a course.

### ***Late registration***

If you miss the registration deadline, you can still register up until around one week before the first examination period begins (the exact date will be published on the Student Services' website). If you register after the registration period has closed, you will be charged a late registration fee of €10 for each exam. In order to prevent overlaps in the exam schedule, it is very important that you register during the official registration periods. If you register late, we cannot guarantee that your examinations will not overlap.

### ***Withdrawal from examinations***

You can withdraw from any exam up until around one week before the first examination period begins (the exact date will be published on the Student Services' website).

### ***Unexcused and excused absences***

If you do not attend an examination you are registered for (unexcused absence), you will fail the exam. If you are sick and therefore cannot take an examination, you are required to submit an application for de-registration and a medical certificate to the Student Services **without delay** (excused absence). Without delay means that you must submit these documents to the Student Services office as soon as possible and without deliberate hesitation. **If you do not submit these documents immediately, you will fail the exam.** The Student Services office provides the appropriate de-registration form on their website.

### ***Re-sit examinations***

You **cannot re-sit exams in elective modules**. If you fail an elective module, you need to take another module (with a different module number) in the next semester.

If you are studying the Competition and Regulation Economics track, you may retake **one** examination in a mandatory module.

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<sup>iii</sup> Competition and Regulation Economics

<sup>iv</sup> <https://www2.uni-mannheim.de/ionas/uni/studienbueros/english/exams/withdrawal/>

### ***Additional regulations for the Economics Track***

- A total of 16 ECTS credits may be obtained in modules from the master's programs in Political Science, Sociology, Law, Mathematics in Business and Economics, and from the Business Administration modules in the Mannheim Master in Management program may be recognized. From the aforementioned programs, up to 8 additional ECTS credits may be acquired in modules related to economics. The examination committee decides which modules can be recognized using the relevant module catalogs and following a written request by the student submitted no later than two weeks before the registration period for examinations begins. The modules and examinations for the programs named in sentence one are listed in the respective current versions of the module catalogs. Please note that the examination regulations for the respective programs also apply.
- During the specialization phase, you have to complete at least two, and a maximum of four, seminars in elective modules.
- You must obtain a total of between 60 and 66 ECTS credits from elective modules. Any additional credits obtained will not count towards your grade average and will not be listed on your Transcript of Records.

### ***Additional regulations for the Competition and Regulation Economics Track***

- The following four modules are compulsory during the specialization phase and are worth a total of 31 ECTS credits: Industrial Organization - Markets and Strategies, Empirical Industrial Organization, Competition Law, and an interdisciplinary seminar on Competition and Regulation.
- A total of 16 ECTS credits may be obtained in modules from the master's programs in Political Science, Sociology, Law, Competition Law and Regulation (LL.M), and Mathematics in Business and Economics, and from the Business Administration modules in the Mannheim Master in Management program may be recognized. The modules and examinations for the programs named in sentence one are listed in the respective current versions of the module catalogs. Please note that the examination regulations for the respective programs also apply.
- During the specialization phase, you have to complete at least one, and a maximum of three, seminars in elective modules.
- You must obtain a total of between 29 and 35 ECTS credits from elective modules. Any additional credits obtained will not count towards your grade average and will not be listed on your Transcript of Records.

**For more information, please read the full Examination Regulations for the master's program in Economics, which you can find on the Student Services' website: [www.uni-mannheim.de/studienbueros/pruefungen/pruefungsordnungen](http://www.uni-mannheim.de/studienbueros/pruefungen/pruefungsordnungen)**