

First Regulations on the Amendment of the Student Regulations of the University of Liechtenstein from 29 April 2020

By virtue of Article 13(2) of the *Gesetz über die Universität Liechtenstein vom 25. November 2004* last amended on 4 October 2018 in connection with Article 28 lit. a of the *Statuten der Universität Liechtenstein vom 20. August 2019*, the University of Liechtenstein hereby enacts the following Regulations:

Art. 1 Amendment of the Student Regulations

The Student Regulations of the University of Liechtenstein from 1 January 2020 shall be amended as follows:

1. The following shall be added to Art. 13(3) sentence 1: ..., who will receive their 'Matura' certificate *and/or their proof of sufficient language proficiency for the respective degree programme* shortly after the beginning of the semester...
2. The following shall be added to Art. 14(2) sentence 1: ... the required Bachelor's degree or equivalent university degree *and/or their proof of sufficient language proficiency for the respective degree programme* by 31 October (for winter semester admissions) ...
3. Art. 30 shall be deleted.
4. After Art. 35 the following Art. 35a) shall be added:

Art. 35a)

Deviation from Study and Assessment Regulations and Doctorate Regulations

To overcome the COVID-19 crisis, the following deviations from the Study and Assessment Regulations and the Doctorate Regulations shall apply:

- a. Examinations shall not be conducted in the form of written tests. This shall apply at least as long as face-to-face meetings at public educational institutions in Liechtenstein are prohibited due to the COVID-19 crisis. Instead, other types of examination, which do not require a physical presence on the University campus, shall be used. This shall also apply to resit examinations. The new type of examination shall be determined by the respective academic board. The students shall be informed about the modified type of examination at least two weeks prior to the examination date. Where the type of examination is changed, the respective regulations in the Study and Assessment Regulations shall apply.

The same applies to the module examinations in the degree programmes in Architecture and in the continuing education programmes.

- b. Oral examinations shall be conducted as video examinations via the Internet. This shall apply at least as long as face-to-face meetings at public educational institutions in Liechtenstein are prohibited due to the COVID-19 crisis. It shall also apply to the defence of Bachelor's and Master's theses, research proposals and dissertations. The identity of the examinee is to be verified and sufficient precautions are to be taken to prevent any examination offences.
- c. Public examinations will not be conducted publicly. At the request of the examinee, the examination can be made public by the publication of a digital recording.
- d. All written papers, except for the dissertation, shall be submitted only in digital form. The academic board can stipulate additional regulations for the submission and subsequent submission of written papers in physical form.
- e. Failed examinations shall be regarded as not taken (free attempt). This shall also apply to resit examinations.
- f. A successfully passed examination can be repeated in the immediately following semester for grade improvement. The better grade shall be used.
- g. Where examination procedures started in summer semester 2020 before 31 March 2020, students can deregister or withdraw from these by means of the appropriate form or a written message to the study service. Any deregistration dates mentioned in the course catalogue thus do no longer apply. Students shall be deemed to have never taken the examination.

5. Art. 57 shall be amended as follows:

Art. 57 Legal rights regarding examinations

It is prohibited to take legal action against the assessment of an examination. In the event of a severe fault in the execution of an examination, the student is to censure the fault immediately. The censure is to be recorded in the minutes of the examination. If the fault cannot be rectified immediately, the examination is to be stopped. If the examination has been stopped by the student although there has not been any fault, the examination shall be regarded as failed. Any appeals against this decision are to be submitted to the Rectorate within 14 days of receipt of the examination result. If the Rectorate annuls the examination result, this examination is not counted among the permitted number of examination attempts.

Art. 2 Effect

These regulations shall come into effect at the time of the resolution and cease to be in effect at the end of the summer semester on 31 August 2020. If the COVID-19 crisis persists, the Senate can decide on the continuity of the regulations at the suggestion of the Rectorate.