

**STUDY AND ASSESSMENT REGULATIONS  
UNIVERSITY OF LIECHTENSTEIN  
MASTER'S DEGREE PROGRAMME IN ARCHITECTURE**

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Based on Art. 13 para. 2 of the law of 25 November 2004 governing the University of Liechtenstein and Art. 20 para. 4a of the Statutes of the University of Liechtenstein of 12 June 2017, the Senate has approved the following Study and Assessment Regulations for the Master's degree programme in Architecture:

## **I. General**

### **Art. 1**

#### *Scope of application*

These Study and Assessment Regulations apply to the Master's degree programme in Architecture. They contain programme-specific regulations in addition to the Student Regulations of the University of Liechtenstein.

## **II. Study regulations**

### **Art. 2**

#### *Maximum number of awarded credits*

In order to successfully complete the Master's degree programme, at least 60 ECTS credits must be earned at the University of Liechtenstein. A maximum of 30 ECTS credits can be awarded from successfully completed programmes at Master's level or from similar programmes.

### **III. Assessment regulations**

#### **A. Module examination**

##### Art. 3

###### *Module examinations*

The module examination consists of one or more course examinations. The module exams are taken in the form of written or oral exams, through term papers, seminar papers, project papers or other study papers, through presentations and the like. Verbal evaluations are possible. The module examination can also take the form of group work. Credits that are to be earned individually must be specified.

##### Art. 4

###### *Submission*

In individual modules, special submission modalities can apply, which are regulated in the respective guidelines.

##### Art. 5

###### *Repeating an examination*

- 1) If a course examination is not passed, a repeat examination can be taken at the next examination dates. Before repeating the examination, students are free to attend the course again. This does not apply to courses with compulsory attendance, which must be attended again.
- 2) If a course is no longer held, the Academic Director shall decide if the student should attend another equivalent course i.e. take the course examination of an equivalent course.
- 3) If the second repeat examination is failed, the student can no longer continue the Master's degree programme.

##### Art. 6

###### *Determination of the module grade*

The module grade is calculated as the weighted arithmetic mean of the individual course grades in the module. The weighting ratio is given in the module description. The module grade is awarded by the designated lecturers and determined within the framework of the examination forms and evaluation criteria.

## **B. Master's thesis**

### **Art. 7**

#### *Dates and composition*

The Master's thesis module can be taken in the winter semester as well as in the summer semester. The presentation and defence are conducted twice a year on the official examination date. The dates are set and communicated by the Academic Director.

The Master's module is composed of:

- a) Master's thesis
- b) Presentation and defence

### **Art. 8**

#### *Admission to the Master's thesis*

In order to take the Master's thesis module, the Preliminary Study module must be successfully completed.

### **Art. 9**

#### *Choice of subject and experts*

The basis for the Master's thesis is the Preliminary Study module and the exposé it contains. Students choose the topic of their Master's thesis themselves and can propose two internal assessors. A list of the assessors is drawn up and communicated by the Academic Director. The Academic Director reviews and approves the topic and the two proposed assessors. Exceptions can be authorised by the Academic Director.

### **Art. 10**

#### *Allocated time period*

The Master's thesis is to be completed within one semester.

### **Art. 11**

#### *Examination committee*

- 1) The Academic Director or officially appointed substitute holds the chair, appoints the examination committee, and regulates deputies. The Academic Director chairs the examination committee and leads the presentation and defence of the Master's thesis.
- 2) The examination committee is composed of four assessors:
  - two internal assessors,
  - the Academic Director or officially appointed substitute
  - one external specialist.

Art. 12

*Presentation and defence*

- 1) The presentation and defence of the Master's thesis takes max. 45 minutes and is public. The date is set and communicated by the Academic Director.

Art. 13

*Evaluation*

- 1) The grade of the Master's thesis is calculated according to the weighting of the following components:
  - a) Master's thesis 80%
  - b) Presentation and defence 20%
- 2) The examination committee assesses the Master's thesis as well as the presentation and defence and evaluates the student's performance levels with separate partial grades.
- 3) The requirement for the Master's thesis module to be passed is an overall grade of at least 3.8. Together, the examination committee assesses the Master's thesis as well as the presentation and defence. The evaluation of the Master's thesis and of the presentation and defence are each recorded separately in the form of separate examination reports with separate partial grades (tenths of a grade). The Academic Director determines the module grade from the weighted partial grades according to the table above. The value thus determined is expressed in tenths of a grade and rounded off.

Art. 14

*Repetition*

If the Master's thesis module is not passed, it can be repeated at the earliest in the following semester. If, upon repetition, the module is still not passed, the student is not permitted to continue the Master's programme.

## **IV. Legal rights**

Art. 15

*Legal rights*

For details of legal rights, please refer to the Student Regulations.

## **V. Final provision**

Art. 16

*Effect*

These Study and Assessment Regulations were approved by the Senate on 17.04.2019 and take effect on 1 September 2019 for the Master's programme in Architecture (01.09.2019).