

### Decision from the President of the University of Bremen in accordance with § 81 para. 6 BremHG

on January 11, 2021, regarding

Extension of AS Ruling no. 9055

Please note that only the original German version of this text is legally binding.

The regulations stated in parts A 1a) and 3. of the AS ruling no. 9055 dated December 16, 2020, will be extended for the period of the national lockdown, thus until January 31, 2021. Said regulations will be extended automatically if the national lockdown is extended without interruption. The decisions stated in parts 2. and 4. remain valid independently of the period of lockdown. The regulations stated in A 1b) concerning the extended deadline for the submission of bachelor's and master's theses will be increased by a further / second month.

No. 1/2021



Academic Senate Ruling dated December 16, 2020

Amendments to the practices in place and deviations from the rulings concerning examinations and student work and application processes for placement examinations whilst the national measures put in place to curb the spread of coronavirus apply (Lockdown in Bremen State from 16.12.2020 – 10.01.2021).

#### Validity of the below-mentioned measures / special rulings: 16.12.2020 – 10.01.2021

#### A. Examinations and Student Work

#### 1. Bachelor's and Master's Theses

a) Submission during lockdown:

Digitally via the responsible examination office
(for the Central Examination Office, thus faculties 1 – 6 and teacher education:

zpa-sekretariat@uni-bremen.de).

- The required number of bound copies is to be submitted without prior request to do so being issued.

#### b) Submission Deadline Extension

- The submission deadline will be extended by **one month** for bachelor's or master's theses for which the writing period lies partially or entirely between 16.12.2020 and 11.01.2021, or begins in this period.

A further extension is possible upon submission of a justified, individual application to the responsible examination office

- If the national lockdown is extended, a new decision will be made regarding a possible further extension of the deadline.

### 2. Counting of Semester and Current Registration and Withdrawal Phases for Winter Semester Examinations

The main registration and withdrawal phase has been running since 10.12.2020. The main registration phase will end on 10.01.2021 and the withdrawal phase (withdrawal from examination without reason given) will end on 31.01.2021.

- As the winter semester will not be counted towards the number of repeat semesters thanks to the amendments made to the general part of the examination regulations, changes will not be made to the valid registration and withdrawal phases.

- It is recommended that students register within the deadline and then make use of the possibility to withdraw without providing a reason until 31.01.2021, if required.

- If there is the <u>danger that a deadline may pass</u>, thanks to the registration for a first examination attempt, which was without participation (omission), the

attempt may be annulled upon submission of an individual application. This applies to all winter semester examinations regardless of date.

- With regard to face-to-face examinations that should take place during the lockdown or that have deviating registration and withdrawal deadlines due to the examination date, the module coordinator / examiner must inform the students and the responsible examination office if and when the examination will take place.

- Please contact the examiners or module coordinators with any questions concerning examinations.

#### 3. Submission of Written Documents (during the national lockdown)

- Only documents that are critically needed due to a running deadline or for the completion of a degree should be submitted during the lockdown.

- The submission of assessments reports via email suffices in such cases, as long as the original documents are submitted as soon as is possible (for the Central Examination Office, thus faculties 1 – 6 and teacher education: <u>zpa-sekretariat@uni-bremen.de</u>).

- Proof of work/credits must only be submitted when the submission leads to the completion of a degree. In such cases of exception, non-stamped copies will be accepted.

# 4. Decisions of the Examination Board Regarding Special Regulations (unchanged – as a reminder)

The decisions made by examination boards that affect entire degree courses or disciplines must be documented in writing and be published within the university in a suitable manner. This is to be done on the Central Examination Office website. The relevant information should be forwarded to <a href="mailto:pabo@uni-bremen.de">pabo@uni-bremen.de</a>.

# B. Applications to Participate in Placement Examinations (in order to attain a university entry qualification)

The application deadline ends on 15.01.2021.

- The submission requirement of original and certified copies is being waived.

- The application, including all documents / certificates, may be submitted via email (<u>zpa-leitung@uni-bremen.de</u>).

- The original documents or certified copies may be requested at a later point during the application process if deemed necessary.