

Programme Regulations 2014
of the Master's degree programme in
Integrated Building Systems
Department of Architecture

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The ETH Zurich Executive Board,

Pursuant to Art. 4, Para. 1, Lit. a of the ETH Zurich Organisational Ordinance (*Organisationsverordnung ETH Zürich*) of 16 December 2003 (RSETHZ 201.021),
decrees:

Chapter 1: General regulations

Part 1: General

Art. 1 Subject and scope, Appendix

¹ These Programme Regulations set out the requirements according to which the Master's degree in Integrated Building Systems at the ETH Zurich Department of Architecture (D-ARCH) may be acquired.

² The Appendix is a part of these Programme Regulations.

³ Any changes to the Programme Regulations or the Appendix must proceed on request to or in consultation with D-ARCH. D-ARCH always consults with the Core Group (see Art. 3). In addition:

- a. Any changes to the Programme Regulations require the approval of the Executive Board.
- b. Any changes to the Appendix require the approval of the Rector.

Art. 2 Cooperation with other ETH Zurich departments

D-ARCH conducts the specialised² Master's degree programme Integrated Building Systems ("the degree programme") in cooperation with the following ETH Zurich departments ("partners"):

- a. Department of Information Technology and Electrical Engineering (D-ITET)
- b. Department of Mechanical and Process Engineering (D-MAVT)
- c. Department Civil, Environmental and Geomatic Engineering (D-BAUG)
- d. Department of Management, Technology, and Economics (D-MTEC)

² A specialised Master's degree programme in the sense of Art.3, Para. 3 of the Bologna Directives of the Swiss University Conference (SUC) of 28 May 2015 (SR **414.205.1**).

Art. 3 Core Group

¹ Academic matters relating to the degree programme are dealt with by both the normal D-ARCH bodies and a Core Group. The Core Group also determines the members of the admissions committee (see Art. 25).

² The Core Group is composed of one professor each from D-ARCH and the four partner departments (see Art. 2). Each department selects its Core Group representative according to its own department-specific procedures.

Art. 4 Academic title

¹ Graduates of the degree programme are awarded the following academic title by ETH Zurich:

Master of Science ETH in Integrated Building Systems
(abbreviation: MSc ETH IBS)

² This title may also be used in the abbreviated form “MSc ETH”.

Art. 5 ETH Zurich Ordinance on Performance Assessments and ETH Zurich Admissions Ordinance

These Programme Regulations are based on the provisions set out in the following legal documents:

- a. Ordinance on Course Units and Performance Assessments at ETH Zurich of 22 May 2012⁽³⁾ (ETH Zurich Ordinance on Performance Assessments);
- b. Ordinance on Admission to Studying at ETH Zurich of 30 November 2010⁽⁴⁾ (ETH Zurich Admissions Ordinance).

Art. 6

Rescinded⁽⁵⁾

Art. 7 Course Catalogue

¹ In consultation with the Core Group, D-ARCH determines the course units for the degree programme and enters them in the Course Catalogue every semester. The entries in the Course Catalogue are binding.

² Details regarding entries in the Course Catalogue are set out in Art. 4 of the ETH Zurich Ordinance on Performance Assessments⁽⁶⁾ and in the corresponding implementation stipulations⁽⁷⁾ of the Rector.

³ SR 414.135.1, RSETHZ 322.021

⁴ SR 414.131.52, RSETHZ 310.5

⁵ Rescinded; effective since Autumn Semester 2016

⁶ SR 414.135.1, RSETHZ 322.021

Part 2: Credit system

Art. 8 Policy

¹ The degree programme follows a credit system which is aligned with the European Credit Transfer System (ECTS).

² The application of ECTS credits at ETH Zurich is subject to the Rector's *Richtlinien zur Kreditsystem* [guidelines on the credit system; in German]⁽⁸⁾.

Art. 9 Credits, basis for calculation

¹ ECTS credits describe the average time expenditure required for a student to earn a study achievement.

² One credit corresponds to a workload of 30 hours. The workload includes all course-related activities required to obtain credits.

³ The curriculum is designed in such a way that full-time students can acquire an average of 30 credits per semester.

Art. 10 Allocation of credits

¹ D-ARCH and the four partner departments listed in Art. 2 each allocate a certain number of credits to each of the course units they offer.

² If an ETH Zurich course unit is found on the curriculum of more than one ETH Zurich degree programme, the department offering the course unit assigns it a standard number of credits in consultation with those integrating it into a programme. The Rector settles any disputes.

³ If a course unit is offered by another university, that university is responsible for allocating it a certain number of credits.

Art. 11 Issuing of credits

¹ Credits are issued for satisfactory performance. Performance is considered satisfactory if it has been awarded a grade of at least a 4, or a "pass".

² No credits are issued for unsatisfactory performance.

⁷ See www.weisungen.ethz.ch

⁸ See www.weisungen.ethz.ch

³ The full number of credits are always issued if the prerequisites of Para. 1 have been satisfied. Partial issue of credits is not permitted.

⁴ The number of credits issued is that number published in the Course Catalogue valid at the time the respective performance assessment was undertaken.

Art. 12 Recording, checking, registration

D-ARCH records, checks and registers the credits acquired.

Chapter 2: Content, structure and scope of the Master's degree programme

Part 1: Range of courses, structure and scope

Art. 13 Range of courses, structure

¹ The degree programme offers scientific education in the area of integrated building systems and technologies, with a focus on the energy efficiency of buildings. A central element is accordingly the integration of sustainable energy sources at building and community level, with the goal of continually improving the operation and administration of technologies.

² The four-semester degree programme is interdisciplinary and combines methods and knowledge from the disciplines of architecture, civil engineering, mechanical engineering and electrical engineering. It is structured into foundation, core and specialised courses and also offers interdisciplinary design and project courses. It concludes with a Master's thesis on a current research theme.

³ The training of every student in the degree programme is supervised and coordinated by a professor, who is known as the "tutor". For details of the tutor system see Art. 20.

Art. 14 Scope, duration, limits on duration of studies

¹ As stipulated in Art. 36, 120 credits are required to obtain the Master's degree.

² The normal duration of the degree programme is two years.

³ The maximum permitted duration of studies is four years. The Rector may extend this if cogent grounds are provided in a request submitted by the pertaining deadline.

⁴ If admission to the degree programme is granted subject to the acquisition of additional credits (admission with additional requirements), the maximum permitted duration of studies may be extended by one semester for required extra credits in the range of 21 – 30 and by two semesters for required extra credits in the range of 31 – 60. For fewer than 21 required extra credits no extension is granted.

Art. 15 Language of instruction

Course units and the corresponding performance assessments are normally conducted in English. The language of instruction of course units offered by ETH Zurich is also subject to the pertaining Rector's directives⁹.

Art. 16 Admission to course units

Registration for a course unit may be subject to admission prerequisites. If these are not set out in these Programme Regulations, they will be determined by the ETH Zurich department or the university offering the course unit.

Art. 17 Student exchange (outgoing Master's degree students)

¹ During the Master's degree programme credits may be acquired at other universities (mobility credits). Of these, a maximum of 30 credits may be counted towards the Master's degree. The stipulations of Para. 3 and 5 still apply.

² If the course units of another university belong to the curriculum of the degree programme, the associated credits do not count as mobility credits.

³ Students who did not acquire the previous (Bachelor's) degree at ETH Zurich are subject to the following:

- a. They may not participate in ETH Zurich exchange programmes. This does not apply if they undertake the semester project or the Master's thesis project at another university (see Para. 4).
- b. Individual exchange stays are possible, but recognition of the associated credits towards the Master's degree is not permitted.

⁴ The semester project or the Master's thesis project may be conducted at another university and recognised towards the Master's degree if the written permission of the tutor is obtained in advance.

⁵ If admission to the degree programme is subject to the acquisition of additional credits (admission with additional requirements) an exchange stay is only possible when the additional requirements have been completed. Nor do credits earned during an exchange count towards fulfilment of additional requirements.

⁹ See www.weisungen.ethz.ch

⁶ For an exchange stay the student first draws up a written study plan with the help of the tutor. This plan includes the credits to be acquired at the host university. It must be approved by the Director of Studies.⁽¹⁰⁾

⁷ The Director of Studies decides whether mobility credits will be recognised. Art. 16 of the ETH Zurich Ordinance on Performance Assessments⁽¹¹⁾ and the pertaining implementation stipulations⁽¹²⁾ of the Rector set out how proof of academic achievements should be handled.

⁸ The departmental exchange coordinator of D-ARCH is available to answer questions with regard to student exchange.

Part 2: Grouping by category

Art. 18 Categories

¹ To obtain a Master's degree, study achievements are required in the following categories. The minimum number of credits required in each category is set out in Art. 36.

- a. Foundation courses
- b. Core courses
- c. Specialised courses
- d. Project courses
- e. Semester project
- f. Science in Perspective⁽¹³⁾
- g. Master's thesis

² In consultation with the Core Group, D-ARCH assigns course units to the categories in Para. 1 and publishes them in the Course Catalogue.

¹⁰ Applies to the German term for "Director of Studies": On 01.08.2015 "*Studiendelegierten*" was changed to "*Studiendirektor*" (pursuant to Art. 45, Para. 1 (f) of the ETH Zurich Organisational Ordinance). This change is applied throughout the German version of the document.

¹¹ SR **414.135.1**, RSETHZ **322.021**

¹² See www.weisungen.ethz.ch

¹³ Re-naming of the category, in effect since Autumn Semester 2016 (earlier term: "Compulsory GESS electives"). This change is applied throughout the document.

Art. 19 Overview of categories

¹ Foundation courses

Depending on their disciplinary backgrounds, students are normally familiar with only a part of the mathematical, scientific and technical foundations required in the area of “Building Systems”. Foundation courses fill the gaps in the disciplines mentioned and in so doing provide the basis for a common language. Further details of foundation courses and the associated performance assessments are set out in Art. 21 and 32, respectively.

²(¹⁴) Core courses

Core courses cover basic, broad knowledge in core areas of integrated building systems and form the basis of the Master’s degree course. Further details of core courses and the associated performance assessments are set out in Art. 22 and 32, respectively.

³ Specialised courses

Specialised courses give students the opportunity to acquire in-depth knowledge in certain areas of integrated building systems. Further details of specialised courses and the associated performance assessments are set out in Art. 23 and 32, respectively.

⁴ Project courses

Project courses allow students to apply the knowledge they have acquired from core and specialised courses in project work. Details regarding the performance assessment are set out in Art. 33.

⁵ Semester project

The semester project provides students with their first experiences of interdisciplinary research project work. Further information, including details of the performance assessment, are set out in Art. 34.

⁶ Science in Perspective

Students are required to complete course units from the “Science in Perspective” programme. The details are set out in the directive “Science in Perspective”⁽¹⁵⁾. Stipulations regarding performance assessments are set out in Art. 32 of these Programme Regulations.

⁷ Master’s thesis

The Master’s thesis is supervised by a professor and normally concludes the Master’s degree programme. With the Master’s thesis students demonstrate their ability to produce independent, structured scientific work. Further details are given in Art. 35.

¹⁴ Pursuant to the department conference resolution of 03.10.2018. The stipulation that every core course must be completed and the associated performance assessment taken has been rescinded. In effect since Autumn Semester 2018.

¹⁵ See www.weisungen.ethz.ch

Part 3: Tutor system, foundation courses, core courses, individual curriculum and specialised courses

Art. 20 Tutor system

¹ The Master's degree programme in Integrated Building Systems is a tutor-led programme (see www.master-buildingsystems.ethz.ch).

² Students must select a tutor in the first semester, by the end of the fourth week of teaching at the latest.

³ In consultation with the student, the tutor determines the specialised courses in the individual curriculum as per the provisions of Art. 23. The tutor supervises the student throughout the Master's degree programme and is available to provide guidance if required.

⁴ If students wish to change tutors they should submit a request to the Director of Studies providing grounds. The Director of Studies may refuse the request if there are cogent grounds for doing so. The following stipulations also apply to a change of tutors:

- a. A change of tutors is normally only possible at the beginning of a semester.
- b. A change does not entitle the student to an extension of the maximum duration of studies.
- c. The Rector settles any disputes between the Director of Studies and the affected student.

Art. 21 Foundation courses

¹ The admissions committee determines foundation courses for each student individually and lists them in the individual curriculum. These courses are mandatory.

² If a student fails a performance assessment in a foundation course twice, the degree programme is regarded as failed and the student is excluded from the degree programme.

³ D-ARCH is responsible for checking whether foundation courses have been passed or failed.

Art. 22⁽¹⁶⁾ Core courses

¹ *Rescinded*⁽¹⁷⁾

² If students have already completed ETH Zurich core courses whose credits were recognised towards the Bachelor's degree and can thereby no longer earn the minimum 31 credits required, the tutor will determine additional courses which must be completed as core courses. A reduction in the minimum number of 31 credits is not permitted.

Art. 23 Individual curriculum, specialised courses

¹ In consultation with the student, the tutor determines the specialised courses and lists them in the individual curriculum. Here the tutor takes into consideration the foundation courses which the student must complete, which are also listed in the individual curriculum.

² The curriculum should guarantee an excellent, varied course of studies and at the same time take into account the talents and expectations of the student.

³ The curriculum is binding. Specialised courses may only be recognised towards the Master's degree if they are listed in the individual curriculum.

⁴ Any disputes between the student and the tutor regarding course selection are settled by the Director of Studies.

⁵ D-ARCH sets the deadlines and modalities for creating and adjusting the individual curriculum.

¹⁶ Refined version (1 August 2016). Applies to all students who enter the degree programme in Autumn Semester 2016 and later.

¹⁷ Rescinded pursuant to the department conference resolution of 03.10.2018. The stipulation that every core course must be completed and the associated performance assessment taken has been rescinded. In effect since Autumn Semester 2018.

Chapter 3: Admission to the Master's degree programme

Art. 24 Prerequisites for admission

¹ Persons may apply for the degree programme if they hold a Bachelor's degree or the equivalent comprising at least 180 ECTS credits from a university or a Swiss university of applied sciences in a discipline qualifying them for the degree programme. The respective qualifying disciplines are listed in the Appendix.

² Details of the academic, language and performance prerequisites for admission (profile of requirements) are provided in the Appendix.

Art. 25 Application, admission procedure and entry to the Master's degree programme

¹ All candidates should apply to the ETH Zurich Rectorate for admission to the degree programme.

² The admissions committee of the degree programme investigates candidates' academic backgrounds and suitability for the Master's degree programme and formulates a request for admission or rejection for the attention of the Director of Studies.

³ At the request of the Director of Studies the Rector decides whether to admit or reject the candidate.

⁴ If admission is granted, the admissions committee determines the foundation courses which must be completed by the individual candidate. These are listed in the individual curriculum.

⁵ Depending on the candidate's qualifications and previous knowledge the Rector may make admission conditional upon proof of the acquisition of additional knowledge and skills by the pertaining deadline during the Master's degree programme (admission with additional requirements).

⁶ Details regarding application, the admission procedure and entry to the Master's degree programme are determined by the Rector. They are set out in the Appendix.

Chapter 4: Performance assessments

Part 1: General regulations

Art. 26 Performance evaluation

Performance in examinations is graded. Performance in other forms of performance assessment is either graded or evaluated on a pass/fail basis.

Art. 27 Admission to performance assessments

Conditions may apply to admission to performance assessments. Unless set out in these Programme Regulations, they are determined by the department at ETH Zurich or by the university which offers the course unit.

Art. 28 Registering for / deregistering from performance assessments

¹ The following rules apply to registration/deregistration for performance assessments at ETH Zurich:

- a. If the performance assessments in question are end-of-semester examinations or session examinations, registration and deregistration are governed by the stipulations of ETH Zurich Ordinance on Performance Assessments⁽¹⁸⁾ and the implementation stipulations of the Rector⁽¹⁹⁾.
- b. If the performance assessments fall into another category, registration and deregistration are generally handled directly by the respective teaching faculty member.

² If the performance assessments concerned are those of another university, registration and deregistration are subject to the rules of that university.

Art. 29 Absence, interruption, breaking off, late submission or non-submission

The following stipulations apply to absence from, interruption or breaking off of, and late submission or non-submission of performance assessments:

- a. ETH Zurich performance assessments are governed by the stipulations of the ETH Zurich Ordinance on Performance Assessments⁽²⁰⁾ and the implementation stipulations of the Rector⁽²¹⁾.

¹⁸ SR 414.135.1, RSETHZ 322.021

¹⁹ See www.weisungen.ethz.ch

²⁰ SR 414.135.1, RSETHZ 322.021

²¹ See www.weisungen.ethz.ch

- b. Performance assessments of another university are subject to the rules of that university.

Art. 30 Issuing of results, disputes

¹ Students may view all of their performance results on the internet via the corresponding ETH Zurich application. They are informed periodically by email as to which performance assessment results are now viewable.

² Every communication explains the procedure to follow if newly visible results are disputed.

Art. 31 Dishonest conduct

The sanctions for dishonest conduct in the context of performance assessments are outlined in the Disciplinary Code of ETH Zurich (*Disziplinarordnung ETH Zürich*) of 2 November 2004⁽²²⁾.

Part 2: Performance assessments in the Master's degree programme

Art. 32 Foundation courses, core courses, specialised courses and Science in Perspective

¹ Every course unit in the categories “foundation courses”, “core courses”, “specialised courses” and “Science in Context” is subject to a performance assessment.

² The respective mode of each performance assessment is listed in the Course Catalogue if the course unit is offered by ETH Zurich.

³ If a course unit is offered by another university that university determines the mode of the respective performance assessment.

⁴ A performance assessment is passed if it is awarded a grade of at least a 4 or a “pass”.

⁵ A failed performance assessment may only be repeated once unless the ETH Zurich department or the university offering the respective course unit stipulates otherwise.

⁶ Once passed, a performance assessment may not be repeated.

²² SR 414.138.1, RSETHZ 361.1

Art. 33 Project courses

- ¹ Every project course is subject to a performance assessment.
- ² The respective mode of performance assessment is listed in the Course Catalogue.
- ³ A project course is passed if it is awarded a grade of at least a 4 or a “pass”.
- ⁴ A failed project course may only be repeated once.
- ⁵ Once passed, a project course may not be repeated.

Art. 34 Semester project

- ¹ The semester project may be conducted either at ETH Zurich, in industry, or at a research institution in or outside of the ETH domain.
- ² Semester projects are supervised and assessed by one or more professors and sometimes further persons. At least one professor must belong to one of the departments involved in the degree programme (see Art. 2). This also applies to semester projects conducted outside of ETH Zurich..
- ³ The supervisor of the semester project
 - a. determines the theme of the semester project in consultation with the student(s) involved;
 - b. defines the tasks;
 - c. sets out in writing the deadlines for starting and submitting the work, and the criteria governing its assessment.
- ⁴ The time allowed for the semester project is five weeks if students can work on it full-time (full-time studies). If the semester project is conducted in parallel with lectures, it should consume half of the time dedicated to full-time studies, meaning that the duration would be ten weeks. The Director of Studies may extend this on request if cogent grounds are provided.
- ⁵ The semester project is graded. If it is conducted as group work, the performance of each individual group member is graded.
- ⁶ The semester project is passed if it receives a grade of 4 or above.

⁷ A failed semester project may only be repeated once.

⁸ Once passed, a semester project may not be repeated.

Art. 35 Master's thesis

¹ Students may only commence the Master's thesis if all of the following apply:

- a. They have completed their Bachelor's degree studies.
- b. They have fulfilled any additional requirements for admission to the degree programme.
- c. With the exception of the categories "Specialised courses" and "Science in Perspective" they have completed all of the requirements to obtain the Master's degree listed in Art. 36. On reasoned request the Director of Studies may approve exceptions.

² The Master's degree project may be conducted at ETH Zurich, in industry or at a research institution (in or outside of the ETH domain).

³ Master's theses are supervised and assessed by one or more professors and sometimes further persons. At least one professor must belong to one of the departments involved in the degree programme (see Art. 2). This also applies to Master's thesis projects conducted outside of ETH Zurich.

⁴ The Master's thesis supervisor

- a. determines the theme of the Master's thesis in consultation with the student;
- b. defines the task; and
- c. sets out in writing the deadlines for starting the Master's thesis and the criteria governing its assessment.

⁵ The maximum permitted period for completing the the Master's thesis is 28 weeks⁽²³⁾. The Director of Studies may extend this on request if cogent grounds are provided.

⁶ The Master's thesis must be innovative in the technical and scientific sense.

⁷ The Master's thesis is graded. If it is conducted as group work, the performance of each individual group member is graded.

²³ The 28 weeks comprise 26 weeks of work and 2 weeks of compensation for holidays, sick days and other brief absences.

⁸ The Master's thesis is passed if it receives a grade of 4 or above.

⁹ A failed Master's thesis project may only be repeated once. If it is repeated, a new theme must be addressed. The repetition may be conducted under a new supervisor.

¹⁰ A Master's thesis, once passed, may not be repeated.

Chapter 5: Issuing of the Master's degree

Part 1: Credits by category, and degree request

Art. 36 Credits by category

¹ The 120 credits required for the Master's degree must be earned in the following categories and subcategories in at least the numbers given. Further details are set out in Para. 2 and 3.

a. Main courses	70 credits
1) Foundation courses (at least 4 credits)	
2) Core courses (at least 31 credits)	
3) Specialised courses (at least 13 credits)	
b. Project courses	12 credits
c. Semester project	6 credits
d. Science in Perspective	2 credits
e. Master's thesis	30 credits

² Of the required 70 credits in the category "Main courses" (Para. 1 (a))

- a. at least 4 credits must stem from the subcategory "Foundation courses";
- b. at least 31 credits must stem from the subcategory "Core courses"; and
- c. at least 13 credits must stem from the subcategory "Specialised courses".

³ Foundation courses and specialisation courses (Para. 1 (a) 1 and 3) may only be recognised towards the Master's degree if they are listed in the individual curriculum. See the details set out in Art. 23.

Art. 37 Degree request

¹ When they have fulfilled the requirements set out in Art. 36 students may request the issue of the Master's degree. The degree request must be submitted within four years of commencing the Master's degree programme. The ETH Zurich Rector may extend this deadline if cogent grounds are provided by the respective request deadline.

² The request should contain all those performance achievements with pass grades in the categories and sub-categories listed in Art. 36 which are to be listed in the final academic record. The sum of credits in each category must reach the minimums designated in Art. 36.

³ The credits earned by completing a course unit may not be recognised more than once, or divided up.

⁴ A maximum of 130 credits may be recognised towards the Master's degree in the final academic record. All other study achievements are listed on a separate sheet of the academic record.

⁵ A maximum of 30 mobility credits may be recognised towards the Master's degree. The limits stipulated in Art. 17 apply.

⁶ Recognition of study achievements or credits from preceding studies is not possible. Exceptions are listed in Para. 7.

⁷ Credits earned at ETH Zurich may be recognised as long as the knowledge and skills acquired thereby are integral to the degree programme and the credits in question have not already been recognised towards a degree. The ETH Zurich Rector, at the request of the Director of Studies, decides whether credits will be recognised. There is no automatic entitlement to recognition.

Part 2: Academic record, degree certificate and Diploma Supplement

Art. 38 Documents

Graduates of the degree programme receive three documents: an academic record, a degree certificate and a Diploma Supplement.

Art. 39 Academic record

¹ The academic record verifies the successful completion of the Master's degree.

² The academic record lists

- a. the study achievements listed in the degree request as per Art. 37, Para. 2, including grades and other measures of performance;
- b. the final grade, computed as the weighted average of all the grades listed in the degree request, with the corresponding credits as weighting.

³ A separate sheet of the academic record lists

- a. any additional requirements;
- b. all further study achievements as set out in the pertaining implementation stipulations⁽²⁴⁾ of the Rector.

⁴ D-ARCH records, checks and administers the grades and other measures of performance, and issues the academic records.

Art. 40 Degree certificate, Diploma Supplement

¹ Details regarding the degree certificate are set out in Art. 28 of the ETH Zurich Ordinance on Performance Assessments⁽²⁵⁾.

² The Diploma Supplement comprises a standardised explanation of the degree.

Chapter 6: Final clauses

Art. 41 Definitive failure, exclusion from the degree programme

¹ The degree programme is regarded as definitively failed if

- a. the conditions for obtaining the Master's degree (acquisition of the required number of credits for the Master's degree according to the stipulations of Art. 36, or any other conditions) can no longer be satisfied due to failure of performance assessments or failure to respect academic deadlines⁽²⁶⁾;
- b. (for persons admitted with additional requirements) any additional requirements cannot be completed due to failure of performance assessments or failure to respect academic deadlines.

² Definitive failure results in exclusion from the degree programme.

²⁴ See www.weisungen.ethz.ch

²⁵ SR 414.135.1, RSETHZ 322.021

²⁶ Academic deadlines are deadlines for conducting performance assessments; additional individual deadlines; and the maximum permitted duration of studies.

Art. 42 Transcript of records after exclusion or abandonment of studies

Students who are excluded from the degree programme or withdraw from it before obtaining the Master's degree receive on request a transcript of records for non-graduating students which lists all the study achievements generated and evaluated before exclusion or withdrawal.

Art. 43 Special cases

The Director of Studies rules on cases which are not or are not sufficiently addressed by these Programme Regulations, their Appendix, or other relevant ordinances and directives.

Art. 44 Entry into effect

¹ These Programme Regulations enter into effect on 15 February 2014.

² They apply to students who enter or re-enter the degree programme from Autumn Semester 2014 onwards.

On behalf of the Executive Board
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