

# Program-Specific Examination Regulations for the Master program in Management in Nonprofit-Organisations

#### Amended version

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## Section 1 Duration and Structure of Studies

- (1) <sup>1</sup>The standard period of study for the international Master program in Management in Nonprofit-Organisations, including all exams, is four semesters. <sup>2</sup>The study program consists of 120 credit points, including the Master thesis.
- (2) Each credit point (ECTS) corresponds to a student workload of 30 hours.
- (3) Courses are usually taught in English. As a rule, module exams are to be taken in English.

#### Section 2 Academic Degree

Osnabrück University of Applied Sciences awards the degree of Master of Arts (M.A.) to students who have passed the examination.

## Section 3 Changing Specialisation

- (1) <sup>1</sup>Students usually choose their specialisation when they register for the second module exam. <sup>2</sup>It is generally not possible to change specialisation after this point.
- (2) In justified exceptional cases, the Academic Dean will decide on a subsequent change in specialisation at the request of the student.

## Section 4 Final Thesis (Master Thesis)

<sup>1</sup>Students who have earned at least 60 credit points may be admitted to the final thesis. <sup>2</sup>Notwithstanding section 14 of the General Examination Regulations of Osnabrück University of Applied Sciences, students do not need to have passed all the first-year exams. <sup>3</sup>Admission to the final thesis must be requested in writing within the specified registration period. <sup>4</sup>Notwithstanding the General Examination Regulations, the time from the assignment of the topic to the submission of the final thesis is four months.

### Section 5 Overall Result

The overall grade for the Master's exam will be determined based on the average of the module grades, weighted according to the number of credit points assigned to each module.

### Section 6 Transitional Arrangement

<sup>1</sup>Students who enroll by the summer semester 2024 can graduate by the end of the summer semester 2027 under the previous Examination and Study Regulations. <sup>2</sup>Students may switch to these Examination and Study Regulations on request, although graded exams will only be offered successively from the winter semester 2024/2025 according to the program schedule. <sup>3</sup>The request must be submitted in writing to the Office of the University Registrar at least one month before the end of the semester for the following semester. <sup>4</sup>At the end of the transitional period, students will be automatically transferred to these Examination and Study Regulations. <sup>5</sup>Students who are enrolled in an advanced semester according to section 6 of the Lower Saxony University Admissions Act (*Niedersächsisches Hochschulzulassungsgesetz* – NHZG) are subject to the Study and Examination Regulations that apply to students who are in this semester according to request a switch.

## Section 7 Entry into Force

<sup>1</sup>These regulations shall enter into force after their publication in the Official Gazette of Osnabrück University of Applied Sciences with effect from the beginning of the winter semester 2024/2025. <sup>2</sup>The Program-Specific Examination Regulations of July 5, 2017 will no longer apply to Management in Nonprofit-Organisations at the end of the transitional period.