

MODULE HANDBOOK

MASTER'S PROGRAMME CHRISTIANITY AND CULTURE (CHRISTENTUM UND KULTUR): ENGLISH-LANGUAGE TRACK HEIDELBERG UNIVERSITY FACULTY OF THEOLOGY

AREA OF SPECIALISATION: MASTER OF THEOLOGICAL STUDIES

Degree programme: Master of Arts Christianity and Culture (full time or part time degree programme)

Standard period of study: four semesters (120 credit points) (plus a maximum of one semester for the acquisition of the language requirements)

Location of studies: Heidelberg

Number of places in the programme: currently no limit

Fees/Contributions: Fees according to the general regulations of Heidelberg University (<https://www.uni-heidelberg.de/en/study/management-studies/tuition-fees>)

Target group/Addressees:

- Graduates of the Bachelor's degree programme in Christianity and Culture or a comparable theological Bachelor's degree programme with an interest in specialising in a theological subject.
- Graduates from all disciplines with an interest in a specialisation in a theological subject.

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The module handbook is used in conjunction with

- the **Examination Regulations** of Heidelberg University for the Master's Programme Christianity and Culture (Annex 1: Modules and courses),
- the **course catalogue** of the Faculty of Theology (course offerings of the respective semester, based on the binding decision of the Faculty Council on the range of courses offered and its mapping in HeiCO) as well as
- the **explanations of the student advisory service** and the **examination office** on the homepage of the Faculty of Theology (<https://www.theologie.uni-heidelberg.de/de/studium/beratungsangebote>)

to plan and implement the degree programme.

1. Qualification objectives, profile, and particularities of the degree programme

1.1 Preamble – Qualification objectives of Heidelberg University

In keeping with Heidelberg University's mission statement and constitution, our degree programmes are designed to provide a comprehensive academic education, incorporating subject-specific, cross-disciplinary, and career-related objectives that prepare students for their future professional careers. The resulting skills profile is a valid qualification profile that is included in the module handbooks for all university disciplines and is implemented in each degree programme's specific qualification objectives, curricula, and modules:

- Development of subject-specific skills, with a particular emphasis on research;
- Development of the skills required for trans-disciplinary dialogue;
- Development of practical problem-solving skills;
- Development of personal and social skills;
- Promotion of students' willingness to assume social responsibility on the basis of the skills acquired.

1.2 Profile of the degree programme

The degree programme in Christianity and Culture focusses on the origin and current state of Christianity as a cultural phenomenon. The degree programme covers theoretical, historical, and empirical aspects of the subject and offers students the opportunity to develop a research specialization of their own choice. The Master's degree programme in Christianity and Culture introduces students to independent academic work and offers different tracks for specialization in 'Biblical Studies (Old Testament, New Testament or Old and New Testament)', 'History of Christianity', 'Dogmatics', 'Ethics and Social Action', 'Religious Studies and Intercultural Theology' and 'Theological Studies'.

1.3 Subject-specific qualification objectives of the degree programme

The Master's degree programme in Christianity and Culture provides a theoretically, historically, and empirically grounded education in theological studies, with the possibility to specialize in different subjects. Graduates of the degree programme will acquire in-depth knowledge in their chosen sub-discipline (specialisation). They will be able to engage with theological texts and topics in a scholarly manner. In their academic writing, they will be able to develop a complex argument and present it according to scientific standards.

1.4 Generic qualification objectives of the degree programme

Graduates of the Master's degree programme in Christianity and Culture will acquire a sound philological and historical education, and gain expertise in the historical-critical examination of sources in their original languages from the 1st millennium BC to the present day. They will be able to critically engage with historical and systematic topics and problems of theology in an interdisciplinary manner in a way that reflects the current state of research. Graduates will be able to present complex academic issues and communicate them effectively in different contexts. Graduates will be able to analyse and reflect on relevant topics and their concrete applications. They will be able to research and think independently and self-organize their intellectual work effectively.

1.5 Studying abroad

does not apply

1.6 Graduates of the degree programme will be suited for the following professions, among others

The Master of Arts in Christianity and Culture qualifies students to work in various ecclesial and diaconic contexts, media, higher education, information and knowledge management, publishing, public relations as well as for the pursuit of a PhD in theology, religious studies, or adjacent fields.

1.7 Particularities of the degree programme

Attendance times and self-study

- the attendance times (listed in hours below) refer only to the class room-hours not the time for preparation etc.; the total study time can be estimated according to the rule 1 SWS = 10.5 hours.
- Self-study time includes preparation and follow-up time for courses as well as exam preparation/time for writing a term paper.

1.8 Table of credit points

Lectures

Survey lecture ¹	3 CP
Lecture	2 CP

Seminar courses

Advanced seminar	4 CP
Colloquium (Oberseminar)	2-3 CP
Exercise (Übung)	2-3 CP

Examinations (in addition to the certificate of attendance)

Research paper	8 CP
Essay	3-6 CP
Written exam	3 CP
Oral exam	3 CP

Information on the examination requirements is available online at <https://www.theologie.uni-heidelberg.de/de/studium/pruefungen/pruefungsanforderungen>. The exact examination modalities will be announced in the first session.

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Overview lectures comprise 3-4 SWS and must be explicitly labelled as such in the course catalogue (heiCo) ('Überblicksvorlesung' or 'Überblickslehveranstaltung').

1.9 Abbreviations

OT = Old Testament; NT = New Testament; CH = Church History; STL = Systematic Theology; RLST = Religious Studies/Intercultural Theology; PT = Practical Theology; SWS = Semesterwochenstunde (semester hour per week); CP = credit points; PO = Prüfungsordnung (examination regulations).

2. MODULES AND REQUIREMENTS

(MASTER'S PROGRAMME CHRISTIANITY AND CULTURE, MAJOR SUBJECT)

AREA OF SPECIALISATION: THEOLOGICAL STUDIES (120 CP)

Of the 120 credit points, 90 credit points are allocated to subject-related courses and 30 credit points to the Master's thesis. The coursework to be completed is structured in modules. No specific sequence of modules is prescribed.

2.1 Study requirements (language certificates)

Depending on the choice of specialisation in the "Wahlpflichtmodule" (modules ThSt 6-8 and ThSt-M), the following language certificates are required:

- Theological Studies specialising in Old Testament: knowledge of Hebrew
 - Theological Studies specialising in New Testament: knowledge of Greek
 - Theological Studies specialising in Church History, Systematic Theology or Religious Studies/Intercultural Theology: knowledge of relevant source language
- If applicants do not have the necessary proficiency in Hebrew and/or Greek, the relevant language skills should be acquired directly at the beginning of the degree programme. This is necessary as the work on texts in courses is largely carried out in the original languages. Intensive language courses to prepare for the required qualifications are regularly offered by the Faculty of Theology every semester (Greek I, Hebrew I). Dependent on demand, the introductory language courses in Hebrew and Greek might at times only be available in German.

2.2 Mandatory counselling interview (consultation?) in the 1st semester

In the first semester of the Master's degree programme in Christianity and Culture, students must choose and meet with a mentor who represents their specialization-track in Theological Studies. The first meeting must be certified on the form 'Participation in the mandatory mentoring session.' The chosen mentor remains the contact person for all study-related questions during the Master's programme.

2.3 Restriction of selectable courses

- Courses with identical content that have already been attended and credited as coursework as part of the Bachelor's degree programme in Christianity and Culture may not be credited again as part of the Master's degree programme in Christianity and Culture. This also applies even if the content of these courses should basically fulfil the requirements of a module.
- Language courses that deal with the student's native language cannot be recognised as coursework. The same applies to beginner's courses in languages for which certificates of proficiency were submitted as part of the application.
- Survey lectures must be explicitly labelled as such in the course catalogue.

2.4 Language of instruction

The language of instruction and examination in the Theological Studies-track is English. Depending on the specialisation, however, courses and examinations in the elective and compulsory areas can also be attended and completed entirely or partially in German.

2.5 Compulsory area (60 CP)

In the compulsory area, 60 CP must be completed. The following compulsory modules ThSt 1-5 must be successfully completed. One of the modules ThSt 1-5 can be replaced by the Interdisciplinary Module (ThSt-Int) with courses and examinations from other faculties.

Description	Old Testament
Module code	ThSt 1
Form	Compulsory module
Applicability (degree programme)	Master Christianity and Culture (Theological Studies)
Credits	12 CP
Workload (in hours, attendance time and self-study)	Attendance time: 21-84 hours (2-8 SWS) Self-study: 276-339 hours
Module offered	Every semester
Duration of the module	1-2 semester
Recommended semester	1st - 3rd semester
Requirements for participation/expected previous knowledge	-
Module content and module objectives	
Associated courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Lectures, advanced seminars, colloquia as well as exercises of your own choice on the subject of the Old Testament, totalling 2-8 SWS. - Examinations and courses must add up to at least 12 ECTS credits (see 1.8 table of credit points and HeiCO).
Semester hours per week (SWS)	- 2-8 SWS
Learning content	
Engagement with different research methods of the discipline and their application to case studies from the field (e.g. exegesis and literary history of Old Testament books, topics of Old Testament theology, different periods of Israel's history or areas of biblical archaeology).	
Learning objectives	
Students will learn about Old Testament texts and topics and interpret them in their original language in a scholarly manner. They are able to work on a complex Old Testament topic and, taking into account the relevant secondary literature, present their findings in a research paper.	
Forms of teaching, learning, and assessment	
Depending on the specific topics of the course, lecture by the teacher; translation of Old Testament texts and their historical-critical analysis in the context of group work; plenary discussion, or presentations.	
Module completion	
Requirements for the assignment of credits	Regular and active participation in the seminars (advanced seminars, colloquia, exercises) as well as regular participation in the lectures (including preparation and follow-up work) 4-9 CP
Module examination	Oral examination or written examination (3 CP) or essay (3-6 CP) or seminar paper (8 CP) 3-8 CP
Composition of the final grade of the module	The grade of the module examination forms the module grade.

Description	New Testament
Module code	ThSt 2
Form	Compulsory module
Applicability (degree programme)	Master Christianity and Culture (Theological Studies)
Credits	12 CP
Workload (in hours, attendance time and self-study)	Attendance time: 21-84 hours (2-8 SWS) Self-study: 276-339 hours
Module offered	Every semester
Duration of the module	1-2 semester
Recommended semester	1st - 3rd semester
Requirements for participation/expected previous knowledge	-
Module content and module objectives	
Associated courses	- Lectures, advanced seminars, colloquia as well as exercises of your choice on the subject of the New Testament, totalling 2-8 SWS.

	- Examinations and courses must add up to at least 12 ECTS credits (see 1.8 table of credit points and HeiCO).
Semester hours per week (SWS)	2-8 SWS
Learning content	
Engagement with different research methods of the discipline and their application to case studies from the field (e.g. exegesis and literary history of New Testament books, topics of New Testament theology, different historical and philosophical contexts;	
Learning objectives	
Students will learn about New Testament texts and topics and interpret them in their original language in a scholarly manner. They are able to work on a complex New Testament topic and, taking into account the relevant secondary literature, present their findings in a research paper.	
Forms of teaching, learning, and assessment	
Depending on the specific topics of the course, lecture by the teacher; translation of New Testament texts and their historical-critical analysis in the context of group work; plenary discussion, or presentations.	
Module completion	
Requirements for the assignment of credits	Regular and active participation in the seminars (advanced seminars, colloquia, exercises) as well as regular participation in the lectures (including preparation and follow-up work) 4-9 CP
Module examination	Oral examination or written examination (3 CP) or essay (3-6 CP) or seminar paper (8 CP) 3-8 CP
Composition of the final grade of the module	The grade of the module examination forms the module grade.

Description	Church history
Module code	ThSt 3
Form	Compulsory module
Applicability (degree programme)	Master Christianity and Culture (Theological Studies)
Credits	12 CP
Workload (in hours, attendance time and self-study)	Attendance time: 21-84 hours (2-8 SWS) Self-study: 276-339 hours
Module offered	Every semester
Duration of the module	1-2 semester
Recommended semester	1st - 3rd semester
Requirements for participation/ expected previous knowledge	-
Module content and module objectives	
Associated courses	- Lectures, advanced seminars, colloquia as well as exercises of your choice on the subject of the church history, totalling 2-8 SWS. - Examinations and courses must add up to at least 12 ECTS credits (see 1.8 table of credit points and HeiCO).
Semester hours per week (SWS)	2-8 SWS
Learning content	
Engagement with different research methods of the discipline and their application to case studies from the field. Overview of the most important developments in the history of the church and theology of an epoch.	
Learning objectives	
Students will acquire in-depth and critically-informed knowledge of an epoch in church history or a topic that cuts across different periods. Students will be able to formulate questions relating to church history and history of theology, and to interpret primary sources in a scholarly manner. Students will be able to work on a complex topic of church history and, taking into account the relevant secondary literature, present their findings in a research paper.	
Forms of teaching, learning, and assessment	
Depending on the specific topics of the course, lecture by the teacher; historical-critical analysis of sources in the context of group work; plenary discussion, or presentations.	

Module completion	
Requirements for the assignment of credits	Regular and active participation in the seminars (advanced seminars, colloquia, exercises) as well as regular participation in the lectures (including preparation and follow-up work) 4-9 CP
Module examination	Oral examination or written examination (3 CP) or essay (3-6 CP) or seminar paper (8 CP) 3-8 CP
Composition of the final grade of the module	The grade of the module examination forms the module grade.

Description	Systematic Theology
Module code	ThSt 4
Form	Compulsory module
Applicability (degree programme)	Master Christianity and Culture (Theological Studies)
Credits	12 CP
Workload (in hours, attendance time and self-study)	Attendance time: 21-84 hours (2-8 SWS) Self-study: 276-339 hours
Module offered	Every semester
Duration of the module	1-2 semester
Recommended semester	1st - 3rd semester
Requirements for participation/ expected previous knowledge	-
Module content and module objectives	
Associated courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Lectures, advanced seminars, colloquia as well as exercises of your choice on the subject of systematic theology, totalling 2-8 SWS. - Examinations and courses must add up to at least 12 ECTS credits (see 1.8 table of credit points and HeiCO).
Semester hours per week (SWS)	2-8 SWS
Learning content	
Engagement with different research methods of the discipline and their application to case studies from the field. In-depth knowledge in a selected subject area of systematic theology.	
Learning objectives	
Students will be able to interpret systematic theological texts and topics in a scholarly manner. They will be able to work on a complex topic in systematics and, taking into account the relevant secondary literature, present their findings in a research paper.	
Forms of teaching, learning, and assessment	
Depending on the specific topics of the course, lecture by the teacher; critical examination of theological writings in the context of group work; plenary discussion, or presentations.	
Module completion	
Requirements for the assignment of credits	Regular and active participation in the seminars (advanced seminars, senior seminars, exercises) as well as regular participation in the lectures (including preparation and follow-up work) 4-9 CP
Module examination	Oral examination or written examination (3 CP) or essay (3-6 CP) or seminar paper (8 CP) 3-8 CP
Composition of the final grade of the module	The grade of the module examination forms the module grade.

Description	Religious Studies and Intercultural Theology
Module code	ThSt 5
Form	Compulsory module
Applicability (degree programme)	Master Christianity and Culture (Theological Studies)
Credits	12 CP
Workload (in hours, attendance time and self-study)	Attendance time: 21-84 hours (2-8 SWS) Self-study: 276-339 hours
Module offered	Every semester
Duration of the module	1-2 semester
Recommended semester	1st - 3rd semester
Requirements for participation/expected previous knowledge	-
Module content and module objectives	
Associated courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Lectures, advanced seminars, colloquia as well as exercises of your choice on the subject of the Religious Studies and Intercultural Theology totalling 2-8 SWS. - Examinations and courses must add up to at least 12 ECTS credits (see 1.8 table of credit points and HeiCO).
Semester hours per week (SWS)	2-8 SWS
Learning content	
Engagement with different research methods of the discipline and their application to case studies from the field. In-depth knowledge in a selected subject area of Religious Studies/Intercultural Theology.	
Learning objectives	
Students will be able to critically engage with texts and topics in the discipline of Religious Studies/Intercultural Theology and interpret them in a scholarly manner. They will be able to work on a complex topic in Religious Studies/Intercultural Theology and, taking into account the relevant secondary literature, present their findings in a research paper.	
Forms of teaching, learning, and assessment	
Depending on the specific topics of the course, lecture by the teacher; critical analysis of sources in the context of group work; plenary discussion, or presentations.	
Module completion	
Requirements for the assignment of credits	Regular and active participation in the seminars (advanced seminars, senior seminars, exercises) as well as regular participation in the lectures (including preparation and follow-up work) 4-9 CP
Module examination	Oral examination or written examination (3 CP) or essay (3-6 CP) or seminar paper (8 CP) 3-8 CP
Composition of the final grade of the module	The grade of the module examination forms the module grade.

One of the modules ThSt 1-5 can be replaced by the Interdisciplinary Module (ThSt-Int) with courses and examinations from other faculties.

Description	Interdisciplinary module
Module code	ThSt-Int
Form	Compulsory elective module
Applicability (degree programme)	Master Christianity and Culture (Theological Studies)
Credits	12 CP
Workload (in hours, attendance time and self-study)	360 hours. The ratio of attendance time to self-study depends on the selected courses.
Module offered	Every semester
Duration of the module	1-2 semester
Recommended semester	1st - 3rd semester
Requirements for participation/	The requirements of the respective faculty(ies) must be observed.

expected previous knowledge	
Module content and module objectives	
Associated courses	In this module students can elect interdisciplinary courses offered by other faculties of Heidelberg University and the Heidelberg University of Jewish Studies. Courses and examinations must add up to at least 12 credit points. The allocation of credit points is based on the requirements of the respective faculty(ies). University courses that take place at institutions outside the faculties (e.g. language courses in the language laboratory, introductory courses in the university library, etc.) as well as general beginners' courses in ancient and modern languages cannot be taken for credit in this module. On the other hand, language courses for advanced learners which, in addition to reading, also deal with the content of ancient or modern literature are eligible for credit. Courses at the Hochschule für Kirchenmusik and the Heidelberg University of Education cannot be recognised.
Semester hours per week (SWS)	depending on the offer of the respective faculty(ies)
Learning content	
The course content depends on the courses selected.	
Learning objectives	
Students will gain insights into the methods and subjects of neighboring disciplines, which will also enable a better understanding of theology and its different sub-disciplines. They will be able to relate important social and scientific topics to theological and church-related issues and tasks.	
Forms of teaching, learning, and assessment	
Depending on the specific topics of the courses.	
Module completion	
Requirements for the assignment of credits	Are based on the requirements of the respective faculty.
Module examination	The allocation of credit points and the form of the examination depend on the requirements of the respective faculty(ies).
Composition of the final grade of the module	The grade of the module examination forms the module grade.

2.6 Compulsory elective area Theological Studies (60 CP)

In the "Wahlpflichtmodul" (compulsory-elective module), a specialisation subject must be chosen from the disciplines Old Testament (OT), New Testament (NT), Church History (CH), Systematic Theology (STL: Dogmatics, Ethics) and Religious Studies/Intercultural Theology (RLST). Depending on the specialisation, the following language requirements apply (see § 4 paragraph 6):

- Theological Studies specialising in Old Testament: knowledge of Hebrew
- Theological Studies specialising in New Testament: knowledge of Greek
- Theological Studies specialising in Church History, Systematic Theology or Religious Studies/Intercultural Theology: knowledge of a relevant source language

Description	Specialisation subject (OT, NT, CH, STL oder RLST)
Module code	ThSt 6
Form	Compulsory elective module
Applicability (degree programme)	Master Christianity and Culture (Theological Studies)
Credits	12 CP
Workload (in hours, attendance time and self-study)	Attendance time: 21-84 hours (2-8 SWS) Self-study: 276-339 hours
Module offered	Every semester
Duration of the module	1-2 semester
Recommended semester	2nd - 3rd semester
Requirements for participation/	Language skills depending on the specialisation (see above and § 4 [6])

expected previous knowledge	
Module content and module objectives	
Associated courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Lectures, advanced seminars, colloquia as well as exercises of your choice in the area of specialisation totalling 2-8 SWS. - Examinations and courses must add up to at least 12 ECTS credits (see 1.8 table of credit points and HeiCO).
Semester hours per week (SWS)	2-8 SWS
Learning content	
Engagement with further research methods of the discipline and their application to case studies from the field; In-depth knowledge in an additional subject area.	
Learning objectives	
Students will be able to interpret texts and topics in their area of specialisation in a scholarly manner. They will be able to work on a complex topic and, taking into account the relevant secondary literature, present their findings in a research paper.	
Forms of teaching, learning, and assessment	
Depending on the specific topics of the courses.	
Module completion	
Requirements for the assignment of credits	Regular and active participation in the seminars (advanced seminars, senior seminars, exercises) as well as regular participation in the lectures (including preparation and follow-up work) 4-9 CP
Module examination	Oral examination or written examination (3 CP) or essay (3-6 CP) or seminar paper (8 CP) 3-8 CP
Composition of the final grade of the module	The grade received for the module examination is also the grade for the entire module.

Description	Research paper in the area of specialisation
Module code	ThSt 7
Form	Compulsory elective module
Applicability (degree programme)	Master Christianity and Culture (Theological Studies)
Credits	6 CP
Workload (in hours, attendance time and self-study)	time allowed for the seminar paper: 180 h
Module offered	
Module offered	Every semester
Duration of the module	1-2 semester
Recommended semester	2nd - 3rd semester
Requirements for participation/ expected previous knowledge	Language skills depending on the specialisation (see above)
Module content and module objectives	
Associated courses	The academic term paper can be written in conjunction with an advanced seminar attended as part of the modules ThSt 1-6 or it can be written independently under the supervision of a professor in the respective specialization area. The topic of the paper, which should not exceed 25 pages, must be agreed upon with the teacher of the advanced seminar or the supervisor.
Semester hours per week (SWS)	-
Learning content	
Application of the research methods from the area of specialisation to case studies.	
Learning objectives	
Students are able to develop and present the current state of research on a specific topic in the area of specialisation and to present an argument based on scholarly methods.	
Forms of teaching, learning, and assessment	
Research paper (self-study).	
Module completion	

Requirements for the assignment of credits	The topic of the paper, which should not exceed 25 pages, must be agreed upon with the teacher of the advanced seminar or the supervisor.
Module examination	Research paper 6 CP
Composition of the final grade of the module	The grade received for the module examination is also the grade for the entire module.

Description	Independent studies in preparation for the Master's thesis in the specialisation subject
Module code	ThSt 8
Form	Compulsory elective module
Applicability (degree programme)	Master Christianity and Culture (Theological Studies)
Credits	12 CP
Workload (in hours, attendance time and self-study)	Self-study under the supervision of a professor in the specialization area: 360 h
Module offered	Every semester
Duration of the module	1-2 semester
Recommended semester	1st and 3rd semester
Requirements for participation/ expected previous knowledge	-
Module content and module objectives	
Associated courses	-
Semester hours per week (SWS)	-
Learning content	
Part I (first semester): Introduction to the degree programme and the German university system in the first semester (2 CP). Part II: In the further course of the degree programme, students then work on an academic project on a topic related to their specialisation. In terms of content, the project should serve to find and develop a Master's thesis topic (study of sources, review of secondary literature, etc.) (10 CP).	
Learning objectives	
Students are able to work out the state of research on a limited topic of the specialisation, critically examine the sources and present them to a specialist representative in the form of an exposé.	
Forms of teaching, learning, and assessment	
Guided introduction and guided self-study.	
Module completion	
Requirements for the assignment of credits	Preparatory development of a Master's thesis topic and presentation of an exposé.
Module examination	-
Composition of the final grade of the module	-

The Master's thesis is a separate module worth 30 CP, for details of the procedure see PO §§ 20-21. The Master's thesis is weighted with a factor of 2 (§ 22 [3]).

Description	Master thesis
Module code	ThSt-M
Form	Compulsory module
Applicability (degree programme)	Master Christianity and Culture (Theological Studies)
Credits	30 CP
Workload (in hours, attendance time and self-study)	time allotted to work on the master thesis: 900 h
Module offered	Every semester

Duration of the module	Master thesis: 16 weeks
Recommended semester	4th semester
Requirements for participation/ expected previous knowledge	<p>Admission requirements: PO § 17 para. 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 5 compulsory modules (ThSt 1-5; ThS-Int) (60 CP) - 3 compulsory elective modules of the specialisation (ThSt 6-8) (30 CP) <p>Language certificate(s) in accordance with PO § 4 (6).</p> <p>The candidate must begin the Master's thesis no later than two weeks after completing the last course-related examination in accordance with § 19 (1,1-2) or submit an application to the Chair of the Examination Board for the assignment of the topic of the Master's thesis. If the aforementioned deadline is missed, the Master's thesis is deemed to have been assessed as 'insufficient' (5.0), unless the candidate is not responsible for missing the deadline (cf. PO § 20 [3]).</p>
Module content and module objectives	
Learning content (see PO § 20 [4-7])	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The topic of the Master's thesis is determined by the supervisor. The candidate must be given the opportunity to make suggestions for the topic; this does not constitute a legal claim. - The topic, task and scope of the Master's thesis must be limited in such a way that the deadline for completion can be met. As a rule, the Master's thesis should not exceed 60 pages. The topic can only be returned once and only within the first month of the completion period. - The Master's thesis can be written in English. Other languages are possible with the approval of the Examination Board. 	
Learning objectives (vgl. PO § 20 Abs. 1)	
The Master's thesis demonstrates that the candidate is able to work independently on a problem from the area of specialization, demonstrating the use of scholarly methods.	
Forms of teaching, learning, and assessment	
Scientific thesis.	
Module completion	
Requirements for the assignment of credits	s. PO § 21 (Submission and assessment of the Master's thesis).
Module examination	Master thesis 30 LP
Composition of the final grade of the module	s. PO §§ 21-22.