

# Administrative Rules Governing the TUM Skills Excellence Program at the Technical University of Munich

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## § 1

### Scope of Application, Purpose

- (1) <sup>1</sup>These Rules govern the general purpose, content, and structure of the TUM Skills Excellence Program. <sup>2</sup>This Program allows students to complete individual modules of certain master's degree programs at the Technical University of Munich. <sup>3</sup>Examinations are governed by the program-specific Academic and Examination Regulations for Master's Degree Programs (FPSO). <sup>4</sup>Unless these Rules provide other regulations, the General Academic and Examination Regulations for Bachelor's and Master's Degree Programs at the Technical University of Munich (APSO) of 18 March 2011 apply accordingly as amended.
- (2) The Program is offered to give those students who are about to or have recently passed the final examination of a master's degree program at the Technical University of Munich the opportunity to take up studies in an additional area of specialization, including cross-disciplinary competencies, in accordance with Art. 49(3) No. 2 of the Bavarian Higher Education Act (*BayHSchG*).

## § 2

### Commencement of Studies, Standard Duration of Study, ECTS

- (1) Commencement of the TUM Skills Excellence Program at the Technical University of Munich is possible only in the winter semester 2020/21.

- (2) <sup>1</sup>The duration of the TUM Skills Excellence Program is, as a rule, one semester. <sup>2</sup>A maximum of 30 credits may be earned in the modules offered under the Program.
- (3) The maximum duration of the Program should not exceed two semesters.

### **§ 3**

#### **Eligibility Requirements, Enrollment**

(1) <sup>1</sup>To enroll for the TUM Skills Excellence Program, students must fulfill the eligibility requirements for master's degree programs at TUM. <sup>2</sup>The Academic and Examination Regulations of each master's degree program on aptitude assessment apply accordingly as amended. <sup>3</sup>The TUM Skills Excellence Program is open to both master's graduates and students who are about to pass the final examination of a master's degree program at the Technical University of Munich.

(2) <sup>1</sup>To participate in the TUM Skills Excellence Program, students apply for enrollment in their recently completed or current degree program in accordance with Art. 49(3) No. 2 of the Bavarian Higher Education Act.

### **§ 4**

#### **Program Scope**

(1) <sup>1</sup>In addition to the scope of the master's examination set out in the applicable Academic and Examination Regulations of each master's degree program, students must earn a total of 30 credits pursuant to (2) to obtain a certificate. <sup>2</sup>As a rule, students who have earned the additional credits as set out in (1) as part of their enrolment in the TUM Skills Excellence Program obtain the certificate; additional credits earned in the master's examination may be applied to the TUM Skills Excellence Program in the amount of 15 credits.

(2) A minimum of 10 credits and no more than 20 credits must be earned in the discipline-specific modules forming part of the student's master's program. <sup>2</sup>In addition, a minimum of 10 credits and no more than 20 credits from modules of the previous master's program or extradisciplinary modules must be chosen. <sup>3</sup>The pertaining module catalogs will be published at appropriate locations.

### **§ 5**

#### **Examination Board**

The Master's Examination Board of the student's master's degree program is responsible for the examination process.

### **§ 6**

#### **Registration for and Admission to Examinations**

(1) Students who fulfill the requirements set out in § 3 and are enrolled for the TUM Skills Excellence Program in accordance with Art. 49(3) No. 2 of the Bavarian Higher Education Act are deemed admitted to the module examinations of the Program.

(2) Registration for a module examination is governed by § 15(1) of the General Academic and Examination Regulations for bachelor's and master's degree programs at the Technical University of Munich (APSO).

### **§ 7**

#### **Examinations**

<sup>1</sup>Type and duration of examinations are set out in the Appendices of the applicable Academic and Examination Regulations for the master's degree program (FPSO). <sup>2</sup>The grading of the module examination is governed by § 17 of the APSO.

## **§ 8**

### **Repeat Examinations, Failure of Examinations**

<sup>1</sup>Failed examinations may be repeated within the period of maximum duration set out in § 2(3), at the next possible examination date. <sup>2</sup>Registration for an examination according to § 6(2) is deemed a conditional registration for the corresponding repeat examination at the next possible examination date.

## **§ 9**

### **Certificate**

<sup>1</sup>Upon successful completion of the TUM Skills Excellence Program, the TUM Center for Study and Teaching – Examination Office will issue a certificate in accordance with the attached sample. <sup>2</sup>The certificate shows all modules passed including the credits and grades awarded (performance report). <sup>3</sup>The certificate will be signed by the chairperson of the responsible Examination Committee.

## **§ 10\***

### **Entry into Force**

<sup>1</sup>These Administrative Rules enter into force on 1 October 2020. <sup>2</sup>They apply to all students commencing the TUM Skills Excellence Program in the winter semester 2020/2021.

<sup>3</sup> This provision concerns the entry into force of the original version of the Administrative Rules dated 1 October 2020. The date on which the amendments enter into force is set out in the applicable Amending Statute.

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Reasons:

Ad § 1:

These Administrative Rules serve to concretize the legal norm on enrollment regulations as set out in Art. 49(3) No. 2 of the Bavarian Higher Education Act (*BayHSchG*) to the extent they relate to the circle of students concerned. Moreover, they supplement the examination law provisions set out in the Academic and Examination Regulations for master's degree programs (FPSO) and the General Academic and Examination Regulations for Bachelor's and Master's Programs (APSO) with regard to the award of a certificate for additional coursework and examinations completed in compliance with said requirements.

Ad § 2

Extension by one semester should be possible in cases where a certificate could not be completed for reasons not attributable to students.

Ad § 4

The TUM Schools and Departments are to identify existing modules that may be offered in the Program.

Ad § 10:

It is intended to offer the Program to an additional cohort. It will therefore be restricted to those graduates who, after completion of their programs in the winter semester 2020/2021 and summer semester 2021, would enter the workforce but due to the current situation choose to acquire further qualifications.