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Prüfungsordnung für den Studiengang "European Master in Law and Economics" (LL.M.) (Amtliche Bekanntmachung Nr. 53 vom 22. Juli 2024)

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# Examination regulations for the European Master in Law and Economics (LLM)

#### dated 3 July 2024

On 16 July 2024, in accordance with Section 108 subsection 1 of the Hamburg higher education act (Hamburgisches Hochschulgesetz, HmbHG) dated 18 July 2001 (HmbVBI. p. 171) as amended on 11 July 2023 (HambGVBI. p. 250, 254) taking into consideration the General Examination Regulations for Academic Examinations at Universität Hamburg dated 25 January 2018, 22 February 2018, and 8 November 2018, the Executive University Board of the University of Hamburg ratified the Examination Regulations for the European Master of Laws in Law and Economics (LLM) adopted by the Faculty of Law on 3 July 2024 pursuant to Section 91 subsection 2 number 1 HmbHG.

#### **Preamble**

In a joint initiative between the Faculty of Law at the University of Hamburg, the Faculty of Law and Criminology at Ghent University, Belgium; the Faculty of Law of the Pompeu Fabra University, Barcelona, Spain, and the Erasmus School of Law at Erasmus University Rotterdam, Netherlands (hereinafter "EMLE Consortium"), funded by the European Union within the ERASMUS student mobility program have established the interdisciplinary European Master in Law and Economics (EMLE) degree program together with other universities. Participation in the European Master in Law and Economics (EMLE) and the organization of cooperative efforts is governed by agreements between the participating universities (Cooperation Agreement).

## Section 1 Implementation of the degree program, scope of application, academic degree

- (1) The European Master in Law and Economics (EMLE) (hereinafter: "Degree Program") is carried out jointly by the EMLE consortium.
- (2) These examination regulations govern the requirements, procedures, and examinations within the framework of the degree program at the University of Hamburg.
- (3) Successfully passing master's degree program examinations qualifies students for the award of the graduate academic degree LLM, European Master of Law and Economics.

#### Section 2

#### Degree program and examination objectives

- (1) The general objectives of university teaching are defined in Section 2 subsection 1 of the General Examination Regulations for Academic Examinations at Universität Hamburg dated 25 January 2018, 22 February 2018, and 8 November 2018.
- (2) The European Master in Law and Economics (EMLE) is geared toward jurists and economists who have already completed a degree in law or economics at a higher education institution in the Federal Republic of Germany or elsewhere. Applicants with a degree other than law and/or economics may also apply, provided that their completed degree includes a significant number of courses in law and/or economics and/or they can convincingly demonstrate their motivation to study law and economics in their letter of motivation. The Degree Program is designed to familiarize students with law and economics, and through application facilitate

the understanding of various European legal systems. By successfully passing the master's degree program examinations, the student has met the Degree Program objectives of acquiring the methods of law and economics and the ability to apply them independently in selected academic fields.

(3) The rules for safeguarding good academic practice and the avoidance of academic misconduct at the University of Hamburg are governed by the Bylaws for Safeguarding Good Scientific Practice and Avoiding Scientific Misconduct at Universität Hamburg issued by the Academic Senate on 15 May 2014, as amended.

### Section 3 Consortium committees

- (1) Each of the participating departments and faculties appoints a local coordinator to jointly coordinate the degree program. Coordinators are appointed in accordance with the Cooperation Agreement. Appointed coordinators assume the duties of the management board pursuant to Section 63 of the Hamburg higher education act (Hamburgisches Hochschulgesetz, HmbHG).
- (2) The management board delegates individual tasks in accordance with these regulations to the following subcommittees in accordance with the Cooperation Agreement:
  - a) the director of the management board,
  - b) the local coordinators and the examinations board,
  - c) the management office and the joint selection committee and
  - d) the thesis committee.

#### Section 4

#### **Admission to the Degree Program**

- (1) Admission to the Degree Program may be granted to individuals who have successfully completed an undergraduate degree in law or economics (economics or business administration) or another degree program where the focus was on law or economics with a minimum score of 240 ECTS credits.
- (2) An additional prerequisite for admission is proof of English language proficiency through one of the following standardized language tests:
  - a) International TOEFL or TOEFL home edition: Minimum score of 95 internet-based test (minimum reading: 13, listening: 12, speaking: 18, writing: 21);
  - b) IELTS: Minimum score of 7.0 (minimum per section: 6.0);
  - c) Cambridge Certificate of Proficiency in English (Grades A, B, C); or
  - d) Cambridge Certificate in Advanced English (Grades A, B).

- Comparable proof may be accepted on a case-by-case basis with special justification.
- e) This does not apply to applicants who are native English speakers or have successfully completed a university degree in Australia, Canada (with the exception of Quebec), Ireland, New Zealand, the United Kingdom (with the exception of the Commonwealth countries and territories) or the United States of America. This also applies to applicants whose first language was English for at least 2.5 years of secondary school education in one of the abovementioned countries.
- (3) In accordance with the admission application, the joint selection committee decides whether admission prerequisites have been satisfied.

### Section 5 Admission application

- (1) The admission application must be submitted to the coordinating center by the deadline.
- (2) Applicants must include the following with their applications:
  - a) tabular curriculum vitae (résumé);
  - b) university degree certificate;
  - c) proof of English language proficiency (see Section 4 subsection 2) required for the program and examinations;
  - d) letter of motivation from the applicant explaining their reasons for choosing the Degree Program;
  - e) at least one and at most 2 letters of recommendation from a professor or a person who can provide information about the applicant's academic and professional development to date;
  - f) proof of residence: All applicants must provide proof of residence for the country in which they are registered.

Documentation must be submitted in either German or English. Documents in a third language must be accompanied by a German or English translation. In exceptional cases, original documents may be submitted without a translation when these can be properly processed without translation. The joint selection committee may request additional documents to prove the authenticity of submitted diplomas.

(3) Admission applications that have not been properly prepared or received before the deadline with all requisite supporting documents in accordance with Section 5 will not be considered.

(4) The application deadline for admission is set in accordance with the cooperation agreement. This is announced in an appropriate manner.

### Section 6 Selection procedure

- (1) A selection procedure will be conducted if the number of applications that satisfy the admission prerequisites pursuant to Section 5 subsection 2 exceeds the number of places available. The joint selection committee select applicants based on aptitude and motivation. The following criteria are taken into account during selection:
  - a) result of the first higher education degree with 240 ECTS credits;
  - b) letter of motivation (written substantiation for the choice of degree including the documents referred to therein);
  - c) content of the prior degree program with respect to the research field of law and economics;
  - d) recommendations / references.
- (2) The joint selection committee will admit a commensurate number of applicants in accordance with the criteria set forth in subsection 1. The grading scale provided in the examination regulations is used as the basis for criterion a). Criterion a) is weighted at 40 percent, criterion b) at 25 percent, c) at 25 percent, and d) at 10 percent. Applicants may apply for reconsideration if their admission application is denied. Appeals are decided by the joint selection committee.
- (3) Admissions may be subject to reservations, restrictions, and conditions.

### Section 7 Period and location of study

- (1) The regular period of study for the Degree Program is 3 consecutive trimesters (October to December, January to March, and April to June), each consisting of 11 weeks of instruction. The curriculum established in the subject-specific provisions and the organization of the examination procedure must be structured so that the master's degree program including all exams and the master's thesis can be completed within the regular period of study.
- (2) Within the scope of available Degree Program options, the first, second, or third trimester (max. of 2 trimesters) may be completed at the University of Hamburg or in accordance with the provisions of the Cooperation Agreement at another of the participating universities.

(3) For at least one trimester, students must attend another university other than the university that granted them admission. The director allocates students in consultation with the faculties and departments concerned.

#### **Section 8**

#### Modules, ECTS credits, and program structure

- (1) Modules are self-contained educational units, generally comprised of several courses related by content. Modules are designed to convey a portion of the overall information established for the respective degree program. The workload (attendance, independent study, examination preparation) for individual modules is counted in ECTS credits in accordance with the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS). As a general rule, 1 ECTS credit corresponds to 30 hours of work. A total of 60 ECTS credits including the master's thesis must be earned in order to complete the Degree Program. Successful completion of a module earns ECTS credits.
- (2) The Degree Program is a modular program. The number, scope, and content of modules as well as module prerequisites are set forth in the appendix. In certain justified cases, the local coordinator may modify specific module content for organizational reasons.
- (3) The program may only be commenced in the winter semester.
- (4) The Degree Program is a full-time course of study.
- (5) The Degree Program consists of 13 required modules, including the final module, which are allocated amongst the trimesters as follows:
- I. First trimester (required modules totaling 20 ECTS credits):
- a) Introduction to Law (2 ECTS credits)
- b) Introduction to Microeconomics 2 ECTS credits)
- c) Concepts and Methods of Law and Economics (4 ECTS credits)
- d) Economic Analysis of Public Law (4 ECTS credits)
- e) Economic Analysis of Private Law (8 ECTS credits)
- II. Second trimester (required modules totaling 20 ECTS credits):
- f) Empirical Legal Studies / Quantitative Tools for Law and Economics (4 ECTS credits)
- g) Corporate Governance and Finance (4 ECTS credits)
- h) Competition Law & Economics (4 ECTS credits)
- i) Economic Analysis of Constitutions (4 ECTS credits)

- j) Economic Analysis of International Law (4 ECTS credits)
- III. Third trimester (required modules totaling 5 ECTS credits and a master's thesis totaling 15 ECTS credits):
- k) European Union Law and Economics (2.5 ECTS credits)
- I) Law and Economics of International Trade and Investment (2.5 ECTS credits)
- m) Thesis (15 ECTS credits).

#### Section 9

#### Module examinations

- (1) Each modules is completed with an examination.
- (2) The module examination usually consists of a written exam. The weighting of grades, and the duration and scope of examinations must be disclosed before the course begins.
- (3) In addition to compulsory attendance and active participation, students may be required to complete coursework during the course. The type and scope of the coursework will be announced at the beginning of the course.
- (4) Module examinations that have not been passed (4.99 points or less) may be retaken twice.
- (5) Examinations may also be conducted as open-book examinations. An open-book examination is an examination during which books and notes may be used. The examiner must announce which materials will be permitted in a timely manner. Written and take-home examinations may be conducted as open-book examinations.
- (6) Examinations can be conducted as take-home examinations. A take-home examination consists of a written response to a specific question that the student works on for a short period of time at home, using aids. The duration for this format must be at least 180 minutes and no more than 360 minutes long. The examiner will announce the specific duration of the examination at the beginning of the course. Take-home examinations may also be conducted as multiple-choice examinations. Tasks for a take-home examination will be given in person or in electronic form. Students will be informed of the distribution of the assignment and the submission deadline in advance. The period between the distribution of the assignment and the submission deadline may exceed the specified completion time. As per the examination regulations, students must confirm they have completed the assignment on their own, within the period scheduled, and

without using any tools or resources beyond those listed. Within the scope of evaluating take-home examinations, an external institution may be employed to check for plagiarism using a computer-assisted plagiarism detection system. Any copies of the work furnished for this purpose may not be disclosed to any third party and must be deleted once the plagiarism check has been completed.

- (7) In appropriate cases, examinations may be conducted using a digital network (online examinations) with the support of electronic media and electronic documentation.
- (8) Authentication is generally carried out before the examination commences or during the examination by means of official photo identification (e.g., identity card, passport), which must be shown on request. Pursuant to subsection 7, where more than one person is taking part in the examination, authentication is carried out in accordance with privacy laws, for example, individually in a separate breakout room.
- (9) To prevent cheating during an examination conducted online pursuant to subsection 7, students are obliged to set up and activate the camera and microphone of their chosen communication equipment (supervision via video). Supervision via video must be set up to only impose upon the privacy of the individuals involved to the extent required for legitimate surveillance purposes. Supervision via video is carried out by supervisors appointed by the University. Recording and automated evaluation of image or sound data from the supervision via video is not permitted. Sections 1–4 also apply to the transmission of image, video, and sound data for oral and practical examinations conducted online pursuant to subsection 7.
- (10) If transmission of the examination task, execution of the examination task, transmission of examination responses, or supervision via video during the online examination conducted pursuant to subsection 7 are not possible for technical reasons, the examination will end at that stage, and examination performance will not be assessed. The examination attempt is considered as not having taken place. This does not apply if the student is responsible for the disruption. In the case of an oral or practical examination pursuant to subsection 7, if the video or sound transmission is temporarily disrupted, the examination will continue once the disruption has been rectified. If the technical disruption continues to prevent the proper conduct of the examination, the examination may be repeated at a later time. Sentences 2 and 3 apply accordingly. If the technical disruption occurs after a substantial part of the oral or practical examination has taken place, the

examiners and examinee(s) may jointly agree to continue and complete the examination via another suitable format, particularly by telephone or by use of a videoconference system. This does not apply to practical examinations for which visual transmission is essential for the assessment of the examination.

- (11) Participation in an online examination pursuant to subsection 7 is voluntary. The voluntary nature of participation must be ensured by offering the respective type of examination in a nondigital form, ideally during the same examination period.
- (12) If a student has failed to attend more than 50 percent of the classes for the Degree Program in a trimester, the student will not be admitted to the examinations for that module.
- (13) Module examinations will be conducted in English.

### Section 10 Examiners

- (1) The local coordinator appoints examiners pursuant to the provisions of the HmbHG, as amended.
- (2) The course instructors for the respective module are generally also the examiners for the module examinations. Exceptions are decided by the local coordinator.
- (3) The local coordinator may also appoint non-University staff as examiners.

#### Section 11

#### Grading the module examinations, calculation of grades

- (1) Examiners should grade written examinations within 4 weeks of receipt.
- (2) Each examiner assigns a grade to an individual's performance on an exam. Each candidate's performance on an examination will be graded. The following grades are used to evaluate examination performance for modules and the master's thesis.

Excellent (an extraordinary performance)	9.50–10 points
Outstanding	8.50-9.49 points
Very good	7.50-8.49 points
Good	6.50-7.49 points
Average	5.50-6.49 points
Sufficient	5.00-5.49 points
Insufficient	0–4.99 points

#### Section 12 Master's thesis

- (1) Students must write their master's theses during the third trimester. The thesis must demonstrate a student's aptitude for independent scholarly work in the field of law and economics.
- (2) The supervisor(s) determine the topic of the master's thesis. Students may suggest topics for their master's thesis. The supervisor must limit the topic, issue, and scope so that treatment of the topic may be completed within the prescribed period.
- (3) The master's thesis (15 ECTS credits) must be completed within 4.5 months.
- (4) The supervisor (primary reviewer) assigns the thesis topic to the student. The date of the assignment, the topic, and the names of the primary and secondary reviewers is recorded in the student's file. The director appoints the second reviewer for the master's thesis in consultation with the coordinators of the departments or faculties participating in the student's education.
- (5) An assigned topic may be justifiably rejected only once after it has been assigned, and this must be done within the first 4 weeks. The examiner may make a reasoned application to withdraw the topic of the master's thesis, if treatment of the topic is no longer possible for subject-related reasons. In cases of doubt, the management office will decide. A new topic must be assigned without undue delay and no later than one week thereafter.
- (6) The master's thesis must be submitted to the examination office (management office) in digital form by the deadline. The candidate has the burden of proving the master's thesis was submitted. The date of submission must be recorded in the student's file. If, for reasons not attributable to the student, the thesis is not submitted by the deadline, the examinations board decides on the further course of action in consultation with the thesis committee. If, for reasons attributable to the student, the thesis is not submitted by the deadline, the master's thesis will be considered insufficient.
- (7) An affidavit must be submitted with the master's thesis affirming that the student wrote the thesis independently. The student must also affirm and attest to the following:
  - a) no aids or resources other than those listed were used;
  - b) the master's thesis has not been used in any other program;
  - c) the master's thesis has not yet been published.

(8) The master's thesis may be reattempted once after the academic year if it was graded as "insufficient" pursuant to Section 13 subsections 3 and 4 herein. If the master's thesis may be reattempted, then the student has four and a half months to complete it.

#### Section 13

#### Evaluation of the master's thesis

- (1) The master's thesis is evaluated by the supervisor and a second reviewer. The second reviewer must be from one of the other participating universities, which must be different than the supervisor's university.
- (2) The master's thesis is graded as follows:

Description of grades

Excellent (an extraordinary performance)	9.50-30 points
Outstanding	27–29 points
Very good	24–26 points
Good	21–23 points
Average	18–20 points
Sufficient	15–17 points
Insufficient	0–14 points

- (3) If both reviewers each award the master's thesis at least 15 points, the student is deemed to have passed the master's thesis portion of the Degree Program. If one of the reviewers assigns less than 15 points to the thesis but the sum of points awarded by both reviewers is at least 30 points, a procedure must be initiated to review the grades awarded. This procedure will also be initiated if the grades awarded by both reviewers deviate by more than 5 points from each other.
- (4) If a grading review procedure for the master's thesis pursuant to subsection 3 herein becomes necessary, then the reviewers must first consult with each other to more closely align the grades awarded. If after consulting with each other, however, the reviewers stand by their original grades, the director must appoint a third reviewer. In this case, the thesis will be evaluated using two-thirds of the sum of the points awarded by the 3 reviewers, rounding up or down to the nearest whole number as appropriate. The thesis is considered successfully completed if the points calculated in this manner equal at least 30.

#### Section 14 Overall final grade

- (1) An overall final grade will be calculated from the grades from the module examinations and the master's thesis. The module examination grades shall be added together with the supervisor's grade for the thesis and the second reviewer's grade for the thesis. The final grade is calculated as follows: The examination grades of the 12 modules and the grade for the final thesis are added together and result in a maximum score of 180 points (120 for the courses and 60 for the final thesis). The sum is then divided by 18 and rounded to the nearest hundredth. If the thesis was graded in accordance with Section 13 subsection 4 sentences 2 and 3, the result calculated pursuant to Section 13 subsection 4 sentence 3 replaces the 2 thesis grades required for the above calculation. The overall final grade is awarded in accordance with Section 11 subsection 3 herein.
- (2) The master's degree examination is deemed passed if the following conditions are fulfilled:
  - a) at least a total of 60 points was earned in the 12 module examinations (excluding the final thesis);
  - b) all 12 module examinations (excluding the final thesis) have been passed; the results of the Introduction to Law and Introduction to Microeconomics modules can be used reciprocally to compensate for a failing grade in the other module. In this case, the average of both results must be at least 5.00 points to pass.
  - c) The thesis was awarded a passing grade pursuant to Section 13 subsections 3 or 4.
  - d) The overall final grade per subsection 1 amounts to at least 5.00 points.
- (3) If a student has failed the master's degree program, the director, the coordination center and/or the local coordinator must issue an administrative notice of decision setting forth all examination results and the reasons why the student failed the program. The administrative notice of decision must contain information about the student's legal rights and be given to the student.

# Section 15 Recognition of study, internship periods, and completed coursework and examinations

(1) The student may apply for recognition for periods of study, completed coursework, examinations, and internships or vocational studies integrated into the degree program completed at a university, equivalent higher education institution, state-accredited distance learning program, other education institution, especially in programs at state or state-accredited vocational academies, and universities of applied sciences, provided there is no material difference between the skills and knowledge learned and the skills and knowledge needed to be learned at the admitting higher education institution. Conditional recognition may also be granted.

- (2) For the recognition of periods of study and completed coursework and examinations completed outside the Federal Republic of Germany, equivalency agreements that have been approved by the Standing Conference of the Ministers of Education and Cultural Affairs of the Länder in the Federal Republic of Germany and the German Rectors' Conference as well as arrangements between the University of Hamburg and another higher education institution participating in a degree program within the scope of university partnerships or cooperation agreements must be observed.
- (3) Skills and knowledge acquired by means other than university study which are equivalent and required to successfully complete a degree program will be recognized up to one-half of the total credit value required to fulfill coursework and examination requirements.
- (4) If examinations are accepted for credit, the grades will be adopted and taken into account for the final grade, provided that the grading systems are comparable. If the grading systems are not comparable, successful examinations will be recorded as a "pass."
- (5) The responsible management office decides on recognition in accordance with paragraphs 1-4. The requisite supporting documents must be attached to the application for recognition. Previous examination performance may no longer be recognized where the student is required to take an examination as part of a corresponding module at one of the universities involved in the teacher-training program. This is the case, for example, once a student makes a binding registration for an examination and/or has attempted at least once to pass an examination. A registration for an examination is binding once the general registration period and cancellation periods have ended. However, examinations taken during a semester abroad cannot be recognized if the student has attempted the examination for the same material after their return. The management office may deny recognition if it can demonstrate that there are significant differences between the skills and knowledge acquired and those required by the higher education institution in accordance with subsection 1, or where the skills and knowledge acquired by means other than university study in accordance with subsection 3 are not equivalent. Examinations that have been

passed or have been conclusively failed may not be changed through accreditation.

## Section 16 Reasonable accommodations for students who have a disability or are chronically ill

- (1) On written application, the local coordinator may implement reasonable accommodations for a student who can substantiate they are to any extent unable to complete an examination under prescribed conditions or within the time periods set forth in these Regulations on account of a disability or persistent severe or chronic affliction. Suitable measures could include altering the physical conditions for the examination, extending the time to complete the examination, or accepting an equivalent examination performance. This also applies to coursework.
- (2) The disability representative must be consulted pursuant to Section 88 subsection 3 HmbHG if the coordinator must render a decision pursuant to subsection 1 herein.
- (3) The student must set forth the reasons for any requested reasonable accommodations. Appropriate proof may be requested to substantiate the legitimacy of any such requests.

#### Section 17 Nonperformance and withdrawal

- (1) A student is considered to have failed a module examination and will receive a grade of insufficient if they do not take the examination on the scheduled date, unless the student has a valid excuse for their absence.
- (2) The local coordinator must be promptly notified in writing or electronically and provided proof of the reason for withdrawal or nonperformance. A student must submit a medical certificate if the reason is due to illness. The coordinator decides whether an excuse that has been asserted is valid or not. If the reason given is deemed valid, then the next possible examination date will be set for the student. Completed coursework and examination performance will be credited. Reasons for withdrawal may not be asserted once an examination has taken place.
- (3) In the event that the master's thesis has not been submitted by the deadline, the aforementioned provisions apply *mutatis mutandis*.

(4) The German protection of mothers at work and during training or studies act (Gesetz zum Schutz von Müttern bei der Arbeit, in der Ausbildung und im Studium, MuSchG) dated 23 May 2017, as amended, applies to students who are pregnant or nursing infants. A pregnant student should notify the relevant office at the University of their pregnancy and the expected date of delivery as soon as they know they are pregnant. If requested, a medical certificate from a primary care physician, midwife, or obstetrician must be furnished as proof. A student who is nursing an infant should inform the relevant University office of that fact as soon as possible. As soon as the relevant body has been informed, it must promptly conduct a risk assessment and ascertain necessary protective measures. The student must be informed about the results of the specific assessment. Maternity protection periods suspend any deadlines provided for in these examination regulations. The period will be extended by the duration of maternity leave. Student applications for parental leave periods in accordance with the German federal parental allowance and parental leave act (Gesetz zum Elterngeld und zur Elternzeit, BEEG) must be taken into account. Students must inform the local coordinator in writing or electronically, enclosing requisite proof, of the period or periods in which they are on parental leave no later than 4 weeks before the date from which parental leave is to commence. As an exception, less notification may be required in urgent cases. The local coordinator must establish whether or not the legal conditions that trigger an entitlement to parental leave for employees have been satisfied, and must notify students thereof and, where applicable, about any new examination dates that are necessary. Subsection 2 sentences 5 and 6 apply mutatis mutandis.

### Section 18 Cheating and violation of regulations

- (1) Permissible aids and resources will be announced before the beginning of an examination. If a student attempts to cheat or use unauthorized aids or resources during an examination, the examination will be graded as "insufficient" (0 points) or "fail." This also applies to students who allow others to copy their work during an examination for which such group work has not been explicitly permitted.
- (2) A student will not be excluded from continuing the examination if caught cheating or using unauthorized aids or resources as defined in subsection 1 herein during the examination and after an examination has been handed out. The respective proctor must submit a brief report about the incident and promptly to the local coordinator after the examination is finished. The student will be promptly notified of the accusation. The local coordinator decides whether any

- asserted excuse is valid or not. The student must be afforded due process and given an opportunity to be heard on the matter.
- (3) For any student found to have cheated on an examination after the examination was taken, the local coordinator can correct the grade commensurate with subsection 1 herein. The master's examination may be declared failed by the director in consultation with the examinations board. The inaccurate examination certificate must be recalled and a new one issued, if appropriate. The master's degree diploma must also be handed back in together with the examination certificate if the student has been declared to have failed the degree program because of cheating. A decision in accordance with sentence 1 above is barred after 5 years from the date of issuance of the examination certificate.
- (4) Students who are repeatedly guilty of academic misconduct or guilty of particularly egregious academic misconduct in a written examination or academic activity may be expelled pursuant to Section 42 subsection 3 number 5 HmbHG.
- (5) An examinee who disrupts the proper course of an examination may be excluded from the remainder of the examination by the respective examiner or proctor and have their work on the examination graded as "insufficient." In egregious cases, the local coordinator, if necessary in consultation with the director, may prohibit the student from taking further examinations.

#### Section 19

#### Examination certificate, diploma, diploma supplement, and transcript of records

- (1) On successful completion of the Degree Program, students are awarded a diploma conferring the LLM in the form of a joint degree of the EMLE consortium and, if applicable, multiple degree(s) of the university(ies) at which the student studied, but which are not involved in the joint degree. A diploma for the master's degree program will be promptly issued after the last examination has been passed, if possible within 4 weeks. Examinations and theses completed at EMLE partner universities are mutually recognized by all other EMLE partner universities. The Erasmus Programme in Law and Economics diploma will be signed by the persons responsible or coordinators from the faculties and departments participating in the examinations of the student. The diploma will bear the faculty and/or department seals or alternatively the seal of the respective university. It must be written in English.
- (2) Furthermore, students will receive an academic transcript that specifies the individual grades of each module examination and the grade for the master's

- thesis expressed in points. This document is executed in the same manner as the diploma.
- (3) Students who qualify for an internship at an enterprise participating in the Degree Program due to their above-average results in the module examinations will receive a separate certificate documenting any completed internship.

### Section 20 Reconsideration proceeding

Students may submit applications for reconsideration of examination and program decisions. Students who have received information about their legal rights and remedies have one month to file an application for reconsideration; otherwise, the student has up to one year from the date of notification of the decision to submit an application electronically in writing pursuant to Section 3a subsection 2 Hamburg administrative procedures act (Hamburgisches Verwaltungsverfahrensgesetz, HmbVwVfG) or in person and officially recorded. The application for reconsideration submitted in writing or electronically must present justified grounds in support of the student's position. If the application for reconsideration is denied relief in whole or in part, the matter will be remitted to the University of Hamburg's appeals committee.

#### **Section 21**

#### Invalidity of the master's degree and rectifying prerequisite deficiencies

If the student has fraudulently registered for and completed an examination for which they have not satisfied the prerequisite requirements, the examination must be declared as "insufficient", and the student is deemed to have "failed" the master's degree program. The examinee must be afforded due process and given an opportunity to be heard on the matter. Section 18 subsection 3 sentences 4 and 5 apply *mutatis mutandis*. If the prerequisites for taking an examination were not satisfied and there was no deception on the part of the examinee, and these facts become known only after the examination certificate has been issued, then passing the examination rectifies any deficiencies.

### Section 22 Inspection of the examination file

Within one year after the completion of the individual module examinations and upon a student's written or electronic request therefor, the local coordinator at the University of Hamburg will grant the student permission to inspect their written examinations, the written assessments thereof, and record of examination where these have not already been given to the student.

#### Section 23 Effective date

These examination regulations become effective on the day following official publication by the University of Hamburg. They first apply to students commencing their studies in Winter Semester 2024/2025.

#### Modules

Module code Introduction to Law Module type: Required module Title: Introduction to Law	
Prerequisites	none
Type of examination	written exam, 2 hours
Examination language	English
Prerequisites for admission to module examination	Regular attendance and completed coursework, the type and scope of which will be announced at the beginning of the course.
Total workload	2 ECTS credits
Module frequency	The module will be offered in every first trimester of the Degree Program.
Module duration	one trimester

Module code Introduction to Microeconomics Module type: Required module	
Title: Introduction to Mic	roeconomics
Prerequisites	none
Type of examination	written exam, 2 hours
Examination language	English
Prerequisites for admission to module examination	Regular attendance and completed coursework, the type and scope of which will be announced at the beginning of the course.
Total coursework	2 ECTS credits
Module frequency	The module will be offered in every first trimester of the Degree Program.
Module duration	one trimester

Module code Concepts and Methods of Law and Economics Module type: Required module		
Title: Concepts and Meth	Title: Concepts and Methods of Law and Economics	
Prerequisites	none	
Type of examination	written exam, 3 hours	
Examination language	English	
Prerequisites for admission to module examination	Regular attendance and completed coursework, the type and scope of which will be announced at the beginning of the course.	
Total coursework	4 ECTS credits	
Module frequency	The module will be offered in every first trimester.	
Module duration	one trimester	

Module code EA of Public Law Module type: Required module Title: Economic Analysis of Public Law	
Prerequisites	none
Type of examination	written exam, 3 hours
Examination language	English
Prerequisites for admission to module examination	Regular attendance and completed coursework, the type and scope of which will be announced at the beginning of the course.
Total coursework	4 ECTS credits
Module frequency	The module will be offered in every first trimester.
Module duration	one trimester

Module code EA of Private Law Module type: Required module Title: Economic Analysis of Private Law	
Prerequisites	none
Type of examination	written exam, 4 hours
<b>Examination language</b>	English
Prerequisites for admission to module examination	Regular attendance and completed coursework, the type and scope of which will be announced at the beginning of the course.
Total coursework	8 ECTS credits
Module frequency	The module will be offered every first trimester.
Module duration	one trimester

Module code Empirical Legal Studies Module type: Required module Title: Empirical Legal Research	
Prerequisites	none
Module applicability	LLM EMLE
Type of examination	written exam, 3 hours
Examination language	English
Prerequisites for admission to module examination	Regular attendance and completed coursework, the type and scope of which will be announced at the beginning of the course.
Total coursework	4 ECTS credits
Module frequency	The module will be offered in every second trimester.
Module duration	one trimester

Module code Competition Law and Economics Module type: Required module	
Title: Competition Law ar	nd Economics
Prerequisites	none
Type of examination	written exam, 3 hours
Examination language	English
Prerequisites for admission to module examination	Regular attendance and completed coursework, the type and scope of which will be announced at the beginning of the course.
Total coursework	4 ECTS credits
Module frequency	The module will be offered in every second trimester.
Module duration	one trimester

Module code EA of International Law Module type: Required module Title: Economic Analysis of International Law	
Prerequisites	none
Type of examination	written exam, 3 hours
Examination language	English
Prerequisites for admission to module examination	Regular attendance and completed coursework, the type and scope of which will be announced at the beginning of the course.
Total coursework	4 ECTS credits
Module frequency	The module will be offered in every second trimester.
Module duration	one trimester

Module code EA of Constitutions  Module type: Required module  Title: Economic Analysis of Constitutions	
Prerequisites	none
Type of examination	written exam, 3 hours
Examination language	English
Prerequisites for admission to module examination	Regular attendance and completed coursework, the type and scope of which will be announced at the beginning of the course.
Total coursework	4 ECTS credits
Module frequency	The module will be offered in the second trimester.
Module duration	one trimester

Module code Corporate Governance and Finance Module type: Required module Title: Corporate Governance and Finance	
Prerequisites	none
Type of examination	written exam, 3 hours
Examination language	English
Prerequisites for admission to module examination	Regular attendance and completed coursework, the type and scope of which will be announced at the beginning of the course.
Total coursework	4 ECTS credits
Module frequency	The module will be offered in every second trimester.
Module duration	one trimester

Module code European Union L&E Module type: Required module Title: Law and Economics in Europe	
Prerequisites	none
Type of examination	written exam, 3 hours
<b>Examination language</b>	English
Prerequisites for admission to module examination	Regular attendance and completed coursework, the type and scope of which will be announced at the beginning of the course.
Total coursework	2.5 ECTS credits
Module frequency	The module will be offered in every third trimester.
Module duration	one trimester

Module code L and E of International Trade and Investment Module type: Required module Title: Law and Economics of International Trade and Investment	
Prerequisites	none
Type of examination	written exam, 3 hours
<b>Examination language</b>	English
Prerequisites for admission to module examination	Regular attendance and completed coursework, the type and scope of which will be announced at the beginning of the course.
Total coursework	2.5 ECTS credits
Module frequency	The module will be offered in every third trimester.
Module duration	one trimester

Module code Thesis Module type: Required module Title: Master's thesis		
Prerequisites	none	
Type of examination	Master's thesis	
Examination language	English	
Prerequisites for admission to module examination	none	
Total coursework	15 ECTS credits	
Module frequency	The module will be offered in every third trimester.	
Module duration	4.5 months	
Recommended semester	Third trimester	