

Addendum OER art 27 on binding recommendation on the continuation of studies for academic year 2020-2021 in relation to COVID-19 measures

Article 27 – (Negative) binding recommendation on the continuation of studies

1. No later than the end of the first year of enrolment for the degree programme, all students who have not terminated their enrolment before 1 February of that academic year will be issued a recommendation by the Dean concerning the continuation of their studies within or outside the Bachelor's degree programme. The Dean will issue every student enrolled for the first time in the first study year of the degree programme with the following:
 - a preliminary recommendation (which also serves as a warning) in March;
 - a proposed binding recommendation on the continuation of studies in early August or a definitive positive recommendation on the continuation of studies;
 - a definitive (positive or negative) binding recommendation on the continuation of studies no later than 31 August.
2. Any student who has secured fewer than 45 credits by the end of the first year of study (date of final results: 31 August) will be issued with a negative binding recommendation on the continuation of studies. This student's enrolment will be terminated with effect from the first of the month following the date of the decision in which the recommendation was included, but no earlier than 1 September of the year following the first year of study.
3. Students who have been granted exemptions for more than 15 credits in their first academic year that do not apply to the standard of 39 credits, based on Section 6 of this Article, shall not be required to earn 39 credits in the first year, but are required to have completed 54 EC or more.
4. For programmes offered jointly with another institution, the required standard will be determined in consultation with the institution in question.
5. Termination of enrolment, as stipulated in the first section, leads to exclusion from the programme for four academic years after the academic year for which the recommendation was issued.
6. The 39 credits originate from the programme for the first year of study in the degree programme in which the student is enrolled.
7. If the student has been awarded exemptions, they may be counted towards the required standard of 39 credits if the activity on the basis of which the exemption was awarded took place in the same academic year as the year for which the binding recommendation on the continuation of studies was issued. The exemptions may not be counted if the activity, on the basis of which the exemption was awarded, took place prior to the academic year for which the binding recommendation on the continuation of studies was issued.
8. If the Dean judges that a student was unable to achieve the required standard of 39 credits as a result of personal circumstances, the Dean will permit said student either to achieve the standard of 45 credits from the programme for the first year of study in the degree programme in which the student is enrolled in a following academic year, with credits secured in the first year of study not counting towards this, or to complete the first year of study in its entirety.
9. If the Dean judges that enrolment after 1 October has had such an influence that a student was unable to achieve the required standard of 39 credits, the Dean will permit said student either to achieve the standard of 45 credits from the programme for the first year of study in the degree programme in which the student is enrolled in the following academic year, with credits secured in the first year of study not counting towards this, or to complete the first year of study in its entirety.
10. Students who obtained fewer than 45 credits in their first year of the degree programme in the 2019-2020 academic year and for whom the binding recommendation on the continuation of studies has been automatically postponed as a result of the amended regulation for the binding recommendation on the continuation of studies for the 2019-2020 academic year in the context of COVID-19, must have obtained all remaining credits from the first year of the degree programme in a subsequent academic year. Students who have not obtained all remaining credits by the end of a subsequent academic year will receive a final negative binding recommendation on the continuation of studies.