Translation of the Règlement d’application du contrôle des études de la section du management de la technologie du 15 juin 2023

Rules, June 15, 2023

Academic year 2023-2024

The Academic Vice-Presidency,

having regard to the EPFL ordinance on Bachelor's and Master's degrees of June 14, 2004,

having regard to the Ordinance on the Supervision of Studies leading to the Bachelor's and Master's Degrees at EPFL of June 30, 2015,

having regard to the study plan of the Management of Technology section,

decrees:

Art. 1 - Scope

The present regulations set out the rules of application for the supervision of Master's studies in Management, Technology and Entrepreneurship, for the 2023-2024 academic year.

Art. 2 - Examination sessions

1. Examination subjects are examined in writing or orally during the Winter or Summer sessions (marked H or E in the study plan).

2. Semester subjects are examined during the Autumn or Spring semester (sem A or sem P).

3 For sessions’ subjects, the session exam may be supplemented by knowledge tests during the semester, as indicated by the teacher.

Art. 3 - Prerequisites

Certain courses, both in the Master's and in the Minor’s program, may require prerequisites which are mentioned in the course description. The prerequisite course is validated if the corresponding credits have been acquired for the course or by block average.

Art. 4 - Admission requirements

This Master's program requires an admission decision by the Academic Vice President, based on a review of the application file. Holders of an EPFL Bachelor's degree must have a minimum grade point average of 4.50 in the Bachelor’s program.

Art. 5 - Stages of training

The Master's degree comprises two successive stages of training:

- the Master's cycle, lasting 3 semesters, the successful completion of which implies the acquisition of 90 credits, a prerequisite for the Master's project.

- the Master's project, lasting 25 weeks, the successful completion of which results in the acquisition of 30 credits.

Chapter 1 - Master's cycle

Art. 6 - Organization
Master cycle courses are divided into:
- Block 1: "Common Core", 30 credits, including the 6 compulsory SHS credits
- Group 1: "Orientation", 20 credits
- Group 2: "Options", 10 credits
- "Disciplinary minor, 30 credits

Art. 7 - Group 1 "Orientation"
1. The three orientations A, B, C are proposed in the study plan.
2. The choice of the orientation must be announced by the end of the first semester latest.

Art. 8 - Group 2 "Options"
1. Students may choose their own course program in accordance with the following rules.
2. To make up their Group 2 "Options", students may also take courses from the two orientations they have not chosen.
3. In addition, any courses with extra credits acquired in the chosen orientation may be validated in Group 2 "Options".
4. At least 4 credits must be taken from the courses indicated as belonging to the field of sustainability in the study plan. These can be taken either in the chosen direction or in Group 2 "Options".
5. Any courses chosen outside the study plan must first be approved by the department. They must be at least at Master's level.

Art. 9 - Minors
1. The minor is assigned by the MTE section. In principle, it is the "disciplinary minor" corresponding to the Bachelor's degree field.
2. Where justified, the section may authorize a minor in a field other than that of the Bachelor's degree, or an interdisciplinary minor.
3. The choice of courses must be approved by the MTE section and the person responsible for the minor. As a general rule, disciplinary minors include only Master's-level courses.
4. The minor is completed by acquiring at least 30 credits from the approved subjects.

Art. 10 - Master's cycle examinations
1. The Master's cycle is passed when a total of 90 credits have been acquired, including:
   - 30 credits in Block 1 "Common Core", including the 6 compulsory SHS credits,
   - 20 credits in Group 1 "Orientation", acquired independently, by passing each branch individually,
   - 10 credits in Group 2, "Options", acquired independently, by passing each branch individually,
   - 30 credits for the "Disciplinary Minor", acquired independently, by passing each branch individually.
2. For students who have taken the Management of Technology minor as part of their first Master's degree at EPFL, the Master's cycle is completed when the 90 credits of the program established in agreement with the Section have been acquired.

Art. 11 - SHS teaching

1. SHS teaching (Block 1) in the Autumn semester is the introduction to the SHS project in the Spring semester.

2. In the case that the curriculum of an individual case justifies it, the Collège des Humanités may, in agreement with the teaching staff, depart from this organization by authorizing the project to be carried out in the same semester as the introductory course, or to be carried out in a later semester.

Chapter 2 - Master's project and engineering internship

Art. 12 - Master's project

1. The Master's project is carried out in a enterprise

2. It is placed under the responsibility of a professor, MER or scientific collaborator affiliated to the Management of Technology Section.

3. In exceptional cases, the Section may agree to the Master's project being carried out at EPFL or an equivalent university institute. The duration of the Master’s project is then 17 weeks, but the student must first complete an engineering internship of at least 8 weeks and no more than 25 weeks.

Art. 13 - Engineering internship

1. The person in charge of the section's internship evaluates the internship, assessing it as "Passed" or "Failed". Success is a condition for admission to the Master's project.

2. If the internship is unsuccessful, it may be repeated once, usually at another company.

3. The internship is validated with the 30 credits of the master project.

4. The organization and validation criteria for the internship are set out in an internal section directive.

On behalf of EPFL

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