

Examination Regulations

International Business and Management, B.A.
Rhine-Waal University of Applied Sciences

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Section 1 Scope

These Examination Regulations shall apply to the International Business and Management, B.A., offered in English by the Faculty of Society and Economics of Rhine-Waal University of Applied Sciences, in conjunction with the General Examination Regulations for Bachelor's and Master's Degree Programmes ("RPO") of Rhine-Waal University of Applied Sciences. They apply to the standard seven-semester mode of study (full-time) as well as the eight-semester, dual-vocational mode of study in cooperation with the Kleve Vocational College (dual study).

Section 2

Academic objectives; purpose of examination; degree awarded

- (1) The bachelor's examination concludes this degree programme and entitles graduates to continue their studies in a master's degree programme. Academic aims and objectives are defined in Section 3 RPO. A strong command of English is key to success in this degree programme, as it provides the essential basis for the programme's continuous objective of expanding and honing students' professional language skills.
- (2) The academic degree "Bachelor of Arts", abbreviated as "B.A.", is awarded for successfully completing the bachelor's examination.

Section 3

Admission requirements

- (1) General admission requirements are defined in Section 4 RPO.
- (2) Applicants are ineligible for admission if they failed the final attempt at a mandatory examination in a previous degree programme that was very similar content-wise to this degree programme and offered by a university subject to German Basic Law.
- (3) Acceptable proof of English proficiency is defined in Section 4 (5a) RPO.

Section 4

Basic internship

The basic eight-week internship as defined by Section 4 (3) RPO should be completed at an external company, public office or other organisation that and familiarise students with questions and matters relating to the field of economics.

Section 5

Programme structure; volume of instruction hours; progression of studies

- (1) This degree programme has a total volume of instruction of 118 SWS (total weekly contact hours, or *Semesterwochenstunden*).
- (2) The modules of this degree programme comprise a total of 210 credits and conform to the ECTS framework defined in Section 6 (5) RPO.
- (3) Modules and examinations are offered in the degree programme's official language of instruction.
- (4) Vocational training at a company is integrated into the dual study variant of this degree programme. Both the vocational training position and the training company must be in the same field as this degree programme. The faculty is responsible for judging the relevance of a proposed dual study arrangement. In semesters one and two the dual study student will attend lectures at Rhine-Waal University of Applied Sciences and in semesters three and four at the

Kleve Vocational College, all while completing their vocational training concurrently. The vocational training period usually concludes in the fifth semester with an examination (in German) at the regional chamber of industry and commerce.

(5) (Intentionally omitted).

(6) Additional information about the breakdown of this degree programme and the type, form and scope of modules is available in the study and examination plan at the end of this document. Students in this degree programme may earn up to 10 elective credits in modules not included in the elective catalogue with prior approval of the Examination Board. Up to 10 credits may be earned in modules offered by other degree programmes of the Faculty of Society and Economics, and up to 5 credits from modules offered by other faculties. Requests will be approved if the content of these other modules aligns with the main emphasis or can be considered a suitable supplement for the elective catalogue of this degree programme. Additional information about learning outcomes, qualification aims, teaching contents and types of examinations can be found in the module guide, which is published on the homepage of Rhine-Waal University of Applied Sciences.

(7) The modules IBM 1 6102 (Fundamentals of Economics) and IBM 1 6349 (Research Skills) as well as all seventh-semester modules are offered each semester so that students have the option of speeding up their graduation progression.

Section 5a

Study abroad semester

(1) In accordance with Section 22 and Section 21 (10) of the General Examination Regulations, a study abroad semester is a mandatory requirement for students in this degree programme. Students who have obtained 60 credits will be permitted to undertake a study abroad semester.

(2) Students who would face undue hardship from an obligatory study abroad semester are exempted from this requirement. "Undue hardship" is defined, in particular, as a situation in which it would be considered unreasonable for a student to spend time abroad due to social, health- or family-related reasons. Students who have been exempted from the study abroad requirement due to undue hardship may instead substitute an online course or an internship semester with international/transnational elements, provided that the student is able to acquire the necessary skills intended from this programme requirement. The Examination Board is responsible for deciding on exemption requests for undue hardship, the validity of the given reasons, and the suitability of the proposed substitution.

Section 6

Scope of examinations

(1) The time allotted to students for a written examination is based on the credit value of the respective course and will not exceed 120 minutes. As a general rule, 20 to 30 minutes will be allotted for every one credit point.

- (2) An oral examination generally lasts at least 15, but no more than 30 minutes per student.
- (3) The text portion of an assignment, term paper or project should not exceed 30 pages (DIN A4).
- (4) (Intentionally omitted).
- (5) (Intentionally omitted).
- (6) (Intentionally omitted).
- (7) (Intentionally omitted).

Section 7

Scope and form of the thesis

- (1) The text portion of the thesis should generally be between 40 and 60 DIN A4 pages in length. The thesis may also be supplemented with other media, provided the use of said media as additional documentation is appropriate and helpful within the context of the assigned task. In this case, the length of the text portion of the thesis may deviate from the aforementioned minimum requirement.
- (2) The thesis can also be submitted as group work if each student's individual contribution fulfills the requirements set forth in Section 23 (1) RPO and is clearly distinguishable (and thus assessable) due to clear and distinct delimitation by sections, page numbers or other criteria.
- (3) The bachelor's thesis must be written in English. In certain justified cases and on request the bachelor's thesis can be written in German, provided the thesis supervisor has consented to this request in writing. This exemption request must be submitted no later than upon registering for the thesis.

Section 8

Admission to the thesis and colloquium

- (1) In addition to the thesis admission requirements defined under Section 24 (1) RPO, students must also have obtained at least 175 credits.
- (2) In addition to the colloquium admission requirements defined under Section 27 (2) RPO, students must also have obtained at least 207 credits.

Section 9

Credit values for the thesis and colloquium

- (1) Twelve credits are awarded for passing the bachelor's thesis.
- (2) Three credits are awarded for passing the colloquium.

Section 10

Conferral of the bachelor's degree

The bachelor's degree specified in Section 2 (2) is officially conferred upon issuing the bachelor's degree certificate defined in Section 30 (1) RPO.

Section 11

Entry into force and transitional provisions

(1) These examination regulations will enter into force on the day after the publication of the German-language original as an Official Notice of Rhine-Waal University of Applied Sciences. They apply to students who first enrolled in International Business and Management B.A. of the Faculty of Society and Economics of Rhine-Waal University of Applied Sciences in or after winter semester 2025-2026.

(2) Students who first enrolled in International Business and Management B.Sc. before winter semester 2021-22 may continue their studies according to the examination regulations from 28 March 2018 (Official Notice 4/2019) until no later than 29 February 2028. Accordingly, the examination regulations from 28 March 2018 (Official Notice 4/2019) will expire on 1 March 2028. Students who first enrolled in International Business and Management B.Sc. before winter semester 2025-2026 may continue their studies according to the examination regulations amended by the second amending statutes from 14 April 2021 (Official Notice 25/2021) until no later than 31 August 2029. The examination regulations from 28 March 2018 (Official Notice 20/2013), as amended by the second amending statutes from 14 April 2021 (Official Notice 25/2021), will expire on 1 September 2029.

(3) Students currently studying according to the examination regulations from 28 March 2018 (Official Notice 4/2019), and according to the examination regulations as amended by the second amending statutes from 14 April 2021, may submit a written request to the Examination Board to continue their studies according to the examination regulations as amended by the second amending statutes from 14 April 2021 or switch to the present examination regulations instead. The Examination Board is responsible for all credit recognition decisions for modules and examinations completed under previous examination regulations. Upon expiry of the examination regulations from 28 March 2018 or the examination regulations as amended by the second amending statutes from 14 April 2021, any students still studying according to said examination regulations are considered to have switched to the present examination regulations automatically. Students who first enrolled before winter semester 2025-2026 and have requested to continue their studies under the present examination regulations may obtain more than 10 elective credits in modules offered by other faculties of Rhine-Waal University of Applied Sciences in accordance with Section 5 (6).

Note: These examination regulations entered into force in their present version on 19 February 2025.

Annex

Prüfungs- und idealtypischer Studienverlaufsplan für den grundständigen Bachelorstudiengang International Business and Management, B.A.

Nr. No.	Module Modul	CH	V	S	Ü	Pra	Pro	Ex	CP	WS1	SS2	WS3	SS4	WS5	SS6	WS7
IBM 1 6201	Einführung in die Betriebswirtschaftslehre Introduction to Business Administration	4	4					P	5	5						
IBM 1 6203	Wirtschaftsmathematik Business Mathematics	4	2		2			P	5	5						
IBM 1 6349	Forschungskompetenzen Research Skills	4		4				T	5	5						
IBM 1 6245	Wirtschaftsinformatik: Grundlagen und Anwendungen Business IT: Principles and Applications	4	2		2			P	5	5						
IBM 1 6246	Personalmanagement und Organisatorisches Verhalten Human Resource Management and Organisational Behaviour	4	2		2			P	5	5						
IBM 1 6102	Einführung in die Volkswirtschaftslehre Introduction to Economics	6	4		2			P	5	5						
IBM 2 6209	Deskriptive Statistik Descriptive Statistics	4	2		2			P	5		5					
IBM 2 6029	Einführung in das Rechnungswesen Introduction to Accounting	4	2		2			P	5		5					
IBM 2 6216	Marketing Marketing	4	2		2			P	5		5					
IBM 2 6207	Geschäftsethik und Nachhaltigkeit Business Ethics and Sustainability	4	4					P	5		5					
IBM 2 6202	Einführung in die Rechtswissenschaften Introduction to Law	4	4					P	5		5					
IBM 2 6213	Finanzwissenschaft und Besteuerung Public Finance and Taxation	4	4					P	5		5					
IBM 3 6247	Finanzierung Finance	4	2		2			P	5			5				
IBM 3 6211	Internationale Rechnungslegung International Accounting	4	2		2			P	5			5				
IBM 3 6248	Digitale Transformation und Business Innovation Digital Transformation and Business Innovation	4	2		2			P	5			5				
IBM 3 6118	Interdisziplinäres Projekt Interdisciplinary Project	2					2	P	5			5				
IBM 4 6249	Controlling Controlling	4	2		2			P	5				5			
IBM 4 6222	Internationale Volkswirtschaftslehre International Economics	4	3		1			P	5				5			
IBM 4 6210	Supply Chain Management und Logistik Supply Chain Management and Logistics	4	4					P	5				5			
IBM 4 6215	Projekt - Aktuelle Themen und Entwicklungen Project - Current Topics and Trends	2					2	P	5				5			
	Wahlpflichtfächer Elective Subjects	16	16					P	20			10	10			
IBM 6 6250	Internationale Wirtschaft I [ONLINE] International Business I [ONLINE]							T	5					5		
IBM 6 6251	Auslandstudiensemester Semester Abroad							T	20					20		
IBM 6 6252	Auslandstudiensemester Reflexionsreport Semester Abroad Reflection Report							T	5					5		
IBM 6 6253	Internationale Wirtschaft II International Business II	4		2	2			T	5						5	
IBM 6 6221	Unternehmensanalyse Business Analysis	4	2		2			P	5						5	
IBM 6 6254	Projektmanagement und Managementmethoden Project Management and Management Methods	4		2	2			P	5						5	
IBM 6 6255	Strategisches Management und Mitarbeiterführung Strategic Management and Leadership	4	2		2			P	5						5	
IBM 6 6214	Entscheidungs- und Spieltheorie Decision and Game Theory	4	3		1			P	5						5	
IBM 6 6256	Nachhaltigkeit Sustainability	4	2	2				P	5						5	
IBM 7 6257	Praktikum oder Praxisprojekt Internship or Applied Project							T	15							15
IBM 7 6041	Bachelorarbeit Bachelor Thesis							P	12							12
IBM 7 6042	Kolloquium Colloquium							P	3							3
Gesamt Total		118	72	10	32	0	4		210	30	30	30	30	30	30	30

Nr. No.	Wahlpflichtkatalog (Sommersemester) List of Elective Subjects (Summer Term)	CH	Ex	CP
IBM 4 6357	Internationale Kapitalmärkte und Nachhaltigkeitsberichterstattung International Capital Markets and Sustainability Reporting	4	P	5
IBM 4 6358	Unternehmensgründung Entrepreneurship	4	P	5
IBM 4 6259	Inferenzstatistik und Statistiksoftware Inferential Statistics and Statistics Software	4	P	5
IBM 4 6260	Verhaltensweisen im digitalen Zeitalter Human Behaviour in the Digital Age	4	P	5
IBM 4 6261	Wissenschaftliche Methoden und Wissenschaftstheorie Scientific Methods and Philosophy of Science	4	P	5

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IBM 3 6262	Internationales Marketing International Marketing	4	P	5
IBM 3 6231	Internationales Personal- und Diversitätsmanagement International Human Resource and Diversity Management	4	P	5
IBM 3 6230	Wettbewerb und Regulierung Competition and Regulation	4	P	5
IBM 3 6229	Sozialstrukturanalyse Social Structure Analysis	4	P	5
IBM 3 6263	Ökonomik digitaler Märkte Economics of Digital Markets	4	P	5

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IBM 3 6036	Fremdsprache*	4	P	5
IBM 4 6036	Foreign Language*			

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**The modules are attended at the cooperating vocational college. Credit is awarded after successful completion of the IHK examination. The grades from the final certificate of the vocational college are relevant.

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