

**Subject-specific Provisions for the Course and  
Examination Regulations for the International  
Master's Programme "Information and  
Communication Systems" at the Hamburg University  
of Technology (FSPO-IMPICS)**

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## Preamble

The Executive Board of the Hamburg University of Technology (TUHH) approved the subject-specific provisions for the course and examination regulations for the course “Information and Communication Systems” leading to a “Master of Science” degree as per section 108, paragraph 1 of the Hamburg Higher Education Act (HmbHG) on 22 August 2018. The provisions were decided by the TUHH Academic Senate on 25 July 2018 pursuant to section 85, paragraph 1.1 HmbHG of 18 July 2001 (HmbGVbl., p. 171) in the version dated 29 May 2018 (HmbGVbl., p. 200).

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### Section 1 Scope

- (1) These subject-specific provisions for the course and examination regulations (FSPO) apply to the international course “Information and Communication Systems” leading to a “Master of Science” degree.
- (2) These subject-specific provisions for the course and examination regulations (FSPO) apply in addition to the current valid version of the General Study and Examination Regulations (ASPO) for Bachelor’s and Master’s Courses at the Hamburg University of Technology (TUHH) dated 22 November 2017.

### Section 2 Responsible bodies

- (1) Department  
The responsible body is the School of Electrical Engineering, Computer Science and Mathematics.
- (2) Board of Examiners  
The responsible body is the Board of Examiners of the School of Electrical Engineering, Computer Science and Mathematics.
- (3) Course guidance  
Study advisors are appointed by the board of the School of Electrical Engineering, Computer Science and Mathematics.

### Section 3 Academic degree

A “Master of Science” (M.Sc.) is awarded following the successful completion of all Master's examinations.

### Section 4 Examinations and coursework

The curriculum in the annex of this FSPO provides details of the types of examinations and coursework, and their credit point values, required to graduate with a Master of Science degree.

### Section 5 Research paper

- (1) Section 20 of the ASPO shall apply.
- (2) The research paper is worth 15 credit points. Topic choice and supervision should reflect this.
- (3) The research paper should be completed within six months.
- (4) On receipt of an application giving a valid reason, the Board of Examiners can extend this period by up to a month; the actual workload is based on the number of credit points and is not affected by this.
- (5) In the module "Research Project and Seminar", the research paper is supplemented by the main seminar, in which the student learns and demonstrates the presentation of work results under the guidance of a university teacher. The seminar lecture will be weighted with 3 credit points and will be included in the final grade. If the seminar lecture is not rated with at least sufficient, a repetition with a new topic is possible at most twice

### Section 6 Technical complementary course

- (1) A technical complementary course comprises one or more self-contained modules worth at least 12 credit points, which end with a graded examination. One or several of these modules are to be selected from the not yet studied technical courses offered by the master's programs of the TUHH.
- (2) Registration for the relevant module examination for the selected technical complementary course takes place at the TUHH's central examination office.

### Section 7 Non-technical complementary courses

As part of the module “Non-technical complementary courses for Master's programmes”, the course “German as a Foreign Language for International Master's Programmes” (4 credit points) is compulsory for all students who do not provide evidence of their German language skills as per annex 1, paragraph A of the Statute on Studies at the Hamburg University of Technology (TUHH).

### Section 8 Effective date

- (1) This FSPO is in effect from 1 October 2018. It replaces the FSPO-IMPICS of 27 May 2015 in the version dated 25 May 2016.
- (2) The curricula for the International Master's course “Information and Communication Systems” at the TUHH in the current versions are included as an annex and form part of this FSPO. The effective dates of the curricula are regulated in the annexes.

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