

**Subject-Specific Admission Regulations  
for the Master’s Segment of the International Master’s/PhD Program in *Clinical Exercise Science* (CES) at the University of Potsdam**

**dated February 14, 2016**

**in the first amended version of the  
Subject-Specific Admission Regulations  
for the Master’s Segment of the  
International Master’s/PhD Program in  
Clinical Exercise Science (CES) at the  
University of Potsdam**

**- Unofficial consolidated version<sup>1</sup> -**

**dated February 10, 2021<sup>2</sup>**

The Senate of the University of Potsdam has approved, in accordance with Section 9 subsections 5 and 2, in combination with Section 72 and Section 64 subsection 2 no. 1 of the Brandenburg Higher Education Act (BbgHG) of April 28, 2014 (Law and Ordinance Gazette (GVBl.) I/14, [no. 18]), amended by Article 2 of the Law of July 1, 2015 (GVBl. I/15, [no. 18]), in combination with Section 5 subsection 4, Section 7 subsection 2, Section 8 subsection 2 and Section 16 subsection 2 of the Brandenburg University Admissions Act (BbgHZG) of July 1, 2015 (GVBl. I/15, [no. 18]), last amended by the Law of December 17, 2015 (GVBl. I/15, [no. 38]), in combination with Section 2 subsections 1-3, 5, Section 19 subsection 1 and Section 20 of the University Admissions Act (HZV) of February 23, 2016 (GVBl. II/16, [no. 6]) and under Section 14 subsection 1 no. 2 of the Basic Constitution of the University of Potsdam of December 17, 2009 (Bulletin UP no. 4/2010 p. 60) as amended in the Third Statute to Amend the Basic Constitution of the University of Potsdam (GrundO) of April 22, 2015 (Bulletin UP no. 6/2015 p. 235), on December 14, 2016, the following ordinance: <sup>3</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> This English version is only intended for information purposes. Only the German version of the “Zulassungsordnung” for the CES program is legally binding.

<sup>2</sup> Approved by the President of the University of Potsdam on March 23, 2021.

**§ 1 Applicability**

These admission regulations, combined with the General Admission Regulations for Master’s Degree Programs at the University of Potsdam Not Related to Teacher Education (Zulassungsordnung, ZulO), govern the admission requirements and the university selection process for the non-teaching-oriented master’s/PhD program in *Clinical Exercise Science* (CES) at the University of Potsdam. Otherwise, the admission regulations (ZulO) apply.

**§ 2 Assignment of Tasks in the Procedure**

While conducting the admission and selection procedure, the Examining Board can assign specific tasks of a purely administrative nature to qualified employees of the program who are not members of the Examining Board.

**§ 3 Admission Requirements**

(1) The following special admissions requirements apply to the master’s segment of the International Master’s/PhD Program in *Clinical Exercise Science* (CES):

- a) A university degree in a subject essential for the master’s degree program, such as prevention and rehabilitation in sports and medicine, sports sciences, health sciences (e.g., BA in sports therapy and prevention, BA/BSc in sports and health in prevention and therapy; BA/BSc in clinical health science; BA/BSc in physiotherapy) with at least 180 credit points of coursework, at least half of which demonstrably dealt with scientific methodology and clinical exercise science. University degrees in related subjects can be recognized if they are equivalent or comparable.
- b) Methodological competencies in the field of clinical sports and training sciences and / or clinical exercise science as evidenced by the completion of relevant modules amounting to at least 90 credit points.
- c) Applicants who are not native speakers of English must provide evidence of English language skills that correspond at least to the C1 level of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages. The required English-language skills are to be evidenced by one of the documents listed in Section 4 subsection 2 of the Admission

<sup>3</sup> Approved by the President of the University of Potsdam on February 20, 2017.

Regulations (ZuO). The Examining Board issues decisions regarding equivalents for the certificates listed in Section 4 subsection 2 of the ZuO on a case by case basis.

(2) In a deviation from Section 4 subsection 4 of ZuO, German language skills need not be demonstrated.

#### § 4 Application Periods and Documents

(1) It is only possible to apply to the first semester of the master's segment of the International Master's/PhD Program in *Clinical Exercise Science* (CES) for the winter semester. The application for the master's segment of the International Master's/PhD Program, when matriculating into a higher semester, can be submitted for either the winter or summer semester.

(2) The ZuO specifies admission deadlines, as long as the degree program does not have restricted admissions. If the course of study does have restricted admissions, then, in accordance with Section 6 subsection 3 of the ZuO, the application deadline for the winter semester is July 15 and for the summer semester January 15.

(3) In addition to the application materials listed in Section 5 subsection 3 letters a) through d) and f) of the ZuO, documentary evidence of English language skills must be submitted in accordance with Section 3 subsection 1 letter b) in combination with Section 4 subsection 2 of the ZuO.

(4) If the degree program has restricted admissions, then, in addition to the documents listed in Section 5 subsection 4 of the ZuO, the following documents must be submitted:

- (a) Evidence of professional training or employment that is relevant to the master's/PhD program under Section 6 subsection 2 (b), if applicable.
- (b) Evidence of qualifications earned outside of higher education, in accordance with Section 6 subsection 2 (c), if applicable.
- (c) Evidence of special professional achievements that are related to the course of study under Section 6 subsection 2 (d), if applicable.

#### § 5 Quota of International Applicants

Deviating from the quota specified under Section 19 subsection 1 of the HZV, a quota of 33% is reserved for international applicants and for stateless applicants who are not accorded rights equal to Germans.

#### § 6 University Selection Process

(1) If the master's segment of the International Master's/PhD Program in *Clinical Exercise Science* has restricted admissions, an admissions selection process is carried out under Section 9 of the ZuO with the objective of ranking the applicants as part of the admission allocation procedure under Section 8 of the ZuO.

(2) To establish the ranking, a total point value is calculated under Section 9 of the ZuO. In calculating the total point value under Section 9 of the ZuO, the following criteria are weighted as follows:

- a) Average grade or current average grade: 51%
- b) Professional training or employment that is relevant to the master's/PhD program: 12%
- c) Qualifications gained outside of higher education (e.g., trainer licenses): 12%
- d) Special professional achievements relevant to the degree program for which you are applying (e.g., evidence of (co-)authorship in peer-reviewed journals, evidence of work on scientific projects, awards and prizes that indicate promise in research and teaching): 25%

(3) The criterion named under Section 6 subsection 2 b) is graded (on a scale from 1.0 to 5.0, with 1.0 being the best) and contributes to the total point score. The score is given as follows:

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| - highly persuasive:         | 1.0  |
| - good:                      | 2.0  |
| - average:                   | 3.0  |
| - weak:                      | 4.0  |
| - missing or not persuasive: | 5.0. |

(4) The following descriptions can be used for the criteria named in Section 6 subsection 2 letters c) and d): "existent / fulfilled" or "non-existent / not fulfilled. If no documentary evidence of the selection criteria in accordance with Section 4 subsection 4 is submitted, the criteria are considered as "non-existent.

#### § 7 Taking Effect

(1) The regulations take effect on the day of their publication in the Official Bulletin of the University of Potsdam.

(2) These regulations first apply to all admissions processes for the master's degree in the International Master's / PhD Program in *Clinical Exercise Science* conducted in the winter semester 2017/2018.