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The German version of this document is the only *legally binding version*. This English translation is for your convenience only.

§ 1 Application

- (1) Students have the option to enrol in the master's programme Philosophy either in the winter semester or in the summer semester. The application deadline is 15 July for enrolment in the winter semester, and 15 January for enrolment in the summer semester. The application for admission, including the required documents, must have been received by the University of Konstanz on the dates stated above (cut-off dates).
- (2) If applicants cannot present their examination certificate at the time of the application, they have to prove that they will probably meet the admission requirements as per § 3 by documenting all performance assessments completed so far. The entire final examination of the study programme that is the prerequisite for admission to the master's programme must have been completed before the start of the lecture period of the semester that was applied for. The examination certificate has to be submitted no later than two months after the start of the semester that was applied for. Enrolment can be granted under the condition that applicants complete and document their qualifying degree within the time limits specified.
- (3) The application for admission must be submitted in the form requested by the university. Copies of the documents as per § 3 para. 1 No. 1 and, if applicable, as per § 3 para. 1 No. 2 have to be attached to the application.

§ 2 Competencies

- (1) The rector decides on admissions based on the proposals of the Examination Board Philosophy.
- (2) The Examination Board Philosophy is responsible for conducting the application process.

§ 3 Admission requirements

- (1) The admission requirements for the master's programme Philosophy are:
 1. Documentation of a degree with the grade "good" (2.5) or better in the bachelor's programme Philosophy at the University of Konstanz or an equivalent study programme in philosophy at another institution of higher education. A study programme is considered equivalent if the acquired competencies are similar to those that would have been acquired in the bachelor's programme Philosophy at the University of Konstanz. There is no significant difference if contents, learning objectives and examinations largely correspond to the requirements of the study programme at the University of Konstanz.

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2. International applicants: Documentation of German language skills at DSH level 2, or TestDaF level 4 in all four areas. Alternatively, documentation of English language skills at level C1, documented e.g. by IELTS with an average score of at least 7.0, (minimum of 6.5 in each skill area), or an equivalent test.
Applicants with a degree in a bachelor's or master's programme taught in English do not have to document their English language skills.
- (2) When recognizing academic degrees completed outside of Germany, the following have to be considered:
 - Recommendations of the *Kultusministerkonferenz, Zentralstelle für ausländisches Bildungswesen* (Standing Conference of the Ministers of Education and Cultural Affairs of the Länder in the Federal Republic of Germany, Central Office for Foreign Education)
 - Equivalence agreements of the Federal Republic of Germany
 - Agreements with partner universities.
- (3) In justified exceptional cases, applicants may be admitted who have completed a degree in another, equivalent study programme in which they have acquired competencies that make a successful participation in the master's programme Philosophy likely. The final grade must be at least "good" (2.5).
- (4) The Examination Board Philosophy decides whether applicants meet the requirements.
- (5) Enrolment must be denied if the documents are not submitted by the due date or are incomplete.
- (6) In addition to this, the general provisions of the Admission and Enrolment Regulations of the University of Konstanz (ZImmO) that apply to the admission procedure remain unaffected.

§ 4 Coming into effect

- (1) The German version of these admission regulations comes into effect the day after its publication in the "Amtlichen Bekanntmachungen" (official announcements) of the University of Konstanz. It applies for the first time to the admission process for the winter semester 2023/24.
- (2) At the same time, the admission regulations for the master's programme Philosophy in the version of 14 March 2013 (Amtlichen Bekanntmachungen 19/2013) expire.

Note:

The German legally binding version of these regulations was published in the "Amtliche Bekanntmachungen" (official announcements) of the University of Konstanz No. 27/2023 on 31 March 2023.