

Notices from the Bauhaus-Universität Weimar

Academic Rules

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In accordance with § 3, par. 1 in combination with § 34, par. 3 of the Thuringian Higher Education Act (ThürHG) effective 13 September 2016 (GVBl. S. 437 ff.), the Bauhaus-Universität Weimar issues the following examination regulations for the degree programme “MediaArchitecture” with the conferral of a “Master of Science” (M. Sc.) degree. These regulations were approved by the Faculty Council of the Faculty of Architecture and Urbanism on 13 December 2017 and were adopted on January 10th 2018 with the approval of the President of the Bauhaus-Universität Weimar.

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§ 1 - Purpose of the examination

The final examination represents the completion of an advanced degree of professional qualification. The examination serves to demonstrate that the candidate has acquired the necessary expertise for post-graduate qualification and possesses the ability to independently apply scientific and/or artistic-design methods in an interdisciplinary field of occupation.

§ 2 - Standard period of study, structure of the programme

- (1) Candidates are required to complete the MediaArchitecture <Master of Science (M.Sc.)> degree programme in four semesters. The study and examination regulations ensure that the candidate can complete the programme and examinations, including the final project/thesis, within the standard period of study.
- (2) The total amount of course work for the MediaArchitecture programme is 120 credit points, according to the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS). A typical semester is 30 credit points.
- (3) The degree is divided into individual modules that are completed as per the course list (see Appendix 2). The final (4th) semester is to be used exclusively for the completion of the thesis and presentation.

§ 3 - Structure of examinations

- (1) The final examination for the master degree programme MediaArchitecture is comprised of the module examinations administered throughout the degree programme, the final project /master's thesis and thesis presentation.
- (2) Module examinations are comprised of the examinations in an examination subject or in a cross-disciplinary examination area. In some cases, they may only be comprised of one examination (s. ThürHG § 48 p. 1).
- (3) The module examinations must be successfully completed before the candidate gets approval to begin the final project/thesis.
- (4) The introductory project I and project modules II-III each conclude with a module examination (normally one project module is completed per semester). Out of these two project modules, the candidate may complete only one at another university or institution or recognized as part of an internship if the project and achieved results are equivalent to those outlined in the course credit catalogue as mandated in the study and examination regulations. Exceptions to this rule are decided by the examination committee.
- (5) The candidate must successfully complete at least four compulsory elective-module examinations according to the course catalogue (see Appendix 2).
- (6) With regard to regular examinations, the instructor, in agreement with examination committee, must officially document the requirements for taking the examination in his/her module at the start of his/her course. Exam admission requirements may include assignments in the form of practical sessions, design practical projects, theoretical work, etc. Students are to be informed of these requirements in advance.

§ 4 - Examination deadlines

- (1) As a rule, module examinations must be taken at the completion of each module. This ensures that the degree programme can be completed within four semesters.
- (2) If the candidate does not complete all of the module examinations that are required for admission to the thesis by the end of the fifth semester, they are marked as "definitively failed" unless the candidate is excused for the failure.
- (3) The examination committee must ensure that the examinations prescribed by the examination regulations can be completed within the allotted period of time. To this end, the candidate must be informed in a timely manner of the type and number of required assignments and examinations as well as the dates by which these must be completed in accordance with the course catalogue. Exams are to take place no later than the beginning of the next semester. Examinations administered outside of this time window require the approval of the examination committee.
- (4) Exam registration is mandatory. Registration for the relevant exam occurs automatically when enrolling for the course. Withdrawing from a course is typically possible for up to two weeks after the course has begun. Withdrawing from the exam via the student service portal is typically possible for up to two weeks before the exam period begins. If the candidate withdraws from the exam before this deadline, automatic registration is possible for the next exam date.
- (5) The introductory project I and project modules II-III are excluded from these provisions. Withdrawing from introductory project I or project modules II-III (both the courses and examinations) is only possible in the first two weeks after lectures begin.

§ 5 - Types of examinations

- (1) The examinations are comprised of
- 1. Oral examinations (§ 6),
 - 2. Written examinations (§ 7) and
 - 3. Written assignments and practical design work completed during the programme (see § 8).

§ 6 - Oral examinations

- (1) In an oral examination, the candidate should demonstrate understanding of his or her area of examination and be able to categorise specific problems with regard to their context. The examination should also assess whether the candidate possesses extensive knowledge of the subject.
- (2) Oral examinations are to be administered by at least two examiners (see § 15) in the form of an individual or group examination.
- (3) The duration of the oral examination should be at least 15 minutes and no longer than 45 minutes per candidate.
- (4) The important points and outcome of the oral examination must be documented in a written protocol. The grade must be announced to the candidate directly following the oral examination. Upon written request, the candidate must be allowed permission to review the protocol of his or her oral examination.
- (5) Students who plan on taking the same examination at a later date are welcome to attend the presentation if space allows and the candidate does not object. However, those who audit a course are not privy to the feedback and announcement of the examination results.

§ 7 - Written examinations

- (1) In written examinations, the candidate should demonstrate his or her ability to recognise problems and propose solutions within a limited period of time and with limited resources and the typical methods applied in his or her subject.
- (2) As a rule, two examiners are required when assessing written examinations that must be passed before the candidate may continue the degree programme. The assessment procedure may not exceed four weeks. The final grade is calculated on the basis of the arithmetic average of the individual assessments.
- (3) The duration of the written exams should not generally exceed three hours. If written exams include drafting or drawing tasks, the duration of the exam may be modified accordingly.

§ 8 - Written assignments and practical design works (Introductory Project I, Project Module II-III)

- (1) In written assignments and practical design works completed during the degree programme, the candidate should demonstrate his or her ability to examine and solve a problem with adequate methods in an interdisciplinary and independent manner. This applies in particular to project work and the thesis.
- (2) As a rule, written assignments and practical design works completed during the degree programme are to be graded as written examinations.
- (3) The Bauhaus-Universität Weimar reserves the right to use and publish such works in part or whole for non-commercial purposes of instruction and research with due credit given to the author. All other claims to copyright by the author remain unaffected.

§ 9 - Assessment of examinations and grade calculation

- (1) The grades for each task of the examination are determined by the corresponding examiners. The following grade scheme is used for grading the different sections of a candidate's examination:

1= very good	= excellent achievement
2 = good	= significantly above-average achievement
3 = satisfactory	= average achievement
4 = sufficient	= meets the requirements despite some faults
5 = insufficient	= fails to meet the requirements as a result of too many faults

The grades of the individual examination tasks are calculated to one decimal place (tenths).

(2) Examinations can conclude with a grade or certificate. A certificate can be denied if the candidate's achievement does not meet the qualitative or quantitative requirements of the examination. The introductory project I, project modules II-III including course attendance, and free elective modules are assessed with a grade. Compulsory electives may be completed with either a grade or an attendance certificate. The student is required at the time of course enrolment (§4 par. 4) to indicate whether he or she wishes to receive a certificate or grade, provided the examiner offers both options.

(3) If a module examination comprises several elements (part-exams), each element must receive a grade of at least "sufficient". If the student fails a part-exam, only that part which he or she failed must be repeated. The final grade is calculated by averaging the part-exam grades weighted by credit value. Thesis assessment remains unaffected by this (see § 22 par. 1). Only the first digit after the decimal is taken into account; all other digits are ignored and will not be rounded up. Modules are graded as follows:

Average of 1.5 or higher	=	very good
Average of 1.6 to 2.5	=	good
Average of 2.6 to 3.5	=	satisfactory
Average of 3.6 to 4.0	=	sufficient
Average of 4.1 or lower	=	insufficient

(4) The provisions of § 23 par. 1 apply to the calculation of the final grade.

(5) The German grades are supplemented by ECTS grades, based on the following grading scheme:

ECTS grade	Percentile of students who receive this grade
A	top 10 %
B	next 25 %
C	next 30 %
D	next 25 %
E	next 10 %
F	-

If the cohorts used do not provide a sufficiently reliable basis for the relative grades, they are not shown.

§ 10 - Absence, withdrawal, deception, violation of regulations

(1) A candidate automatically receives a grade of "insufficient" (5.0), if he or she does not show up for the examination without good reason or withdraws from the examination for no good reason after it has commenced. The same applies if a written or practical design examination is not completed within the time allotted.

(2) The obligation to take the examination is effected at the time of course registration in accordance with § 8 par. 1 of the study regulations and § 4 par. (4) of these examination regulations. If the candidate should fail an examination, he or she is obliged to retake the examination at the next possible examination session.

(3) The candidate may submit a one-time petition to the examination committee to retake a failed project module in a different department or substitute a failed assignment in a compulsory elective subject area with another in the same module. In the case of approval, all failed examinations in the module are annulled.

(4) If the candidate fails to attend or withdraws from an examination, he or she must immediately notify the examination committee or examiner of the reasons and substantiate them in writing. In the case of illness or the unforeseen necessity to care for a child or family member, the candidate must submit a doctor's certificate within three working days following the examination. If the examination committee recognises the reason for failure to attend or withdraw, the candidate is excused and the examination is rescheduled for the next examination session. All previously attained examination results remain valid.

(5) If the candidate attempts to influence the outcome of his or her examination through deception or the use of impermissible aids, the candidate automatically receives a grade of "insufficient" (5.0) for that part of the examination. The examiner or invigilator has the right to remove a candidate from an examination session if the candidate violates the rules of the examination. In such cases, the candidate receives a grade of "insufficient" (5.0) for the examination.

§ 11 - Passing and failing

(1) The examination obligation is established when the student registers for the course (see § 8 par. 1 of study regulations and § 4 par. 4 of examination regulations) In the event of failure, the exam must be retaken at the earliest possible date.

(2) A passing grade for an exam is at least "sufficient" (4.0) or a certificate has been issued.

(3) The student is allowed to write a thesis only if all required modules (see Appendix 2) have received a passing grade of at least 4.0.

(4) The degree programme is considered successfully completed if the student passes all modules (see appendix 2) and the thesis has received a grade of at least "sufficient" (4.0).

(5) The student is responsible for providing all information regarding the passing or failing of any modules and is responsible for informing him- or herself about repeating any exams.

§ 12 - Retaking examinations

(1) On application to the examination committee there is a single opportunity to retake a project module not passed with a different professor or to exchange a performance not passed in an optional or elective module with another from the same module. The failed module is then annulled.

(2) Examinations (including part examinations) can be repeated twice if given the grade "insufficient". If the exam is not passed on the second retake, the final result is a failing grade which results in de-registration. Students may not retake an exam, part-exam, or rewrite a thesis that has not been given a grade lower than "sufficient".

(3) If a module exam comprises several parts, only the relevant parts graded as "failed" must be repeated.

(4) A second repetition of the thesis is not permitted.

(5) Repeated examinations must be taken on the next available examination date (usually during the exam period in the following semester). If the application deadline for retaking an exam is missed, the exam is graded as "insufficient" unless the student provides a valid excuse. A new date may be set by the examination committee.

§ 13 - Recognition of periods of study, course work and examinations as well as competencies demonstrated outside the university

(1) Study times, course and examination performances and practical semesters that were provided at another domestic or international state or state-recognised university or other degree programmes from the same university may be recognized, provided there are no major differences in terms of competencies gained (learning results). The examination committee determines crediting.

(2) If the course work and examinations are recognised and the grading schemes are comparable, the grades are then included into the calculation of the final grade. For non-comparable grading schemes, the completed courses and examinations are simply marked as "passed". Recognised academic achievement may be marked as such on the official transcript.

(3) If the conditions in par. (1) are met, the candidate has a legal right to receive credit for his or her past academic achievement. The candidate is responsible for providing all documentation necessary for recognition.

(4) Relevant competencies acquired in a professional practice or outside a university may be recognized under § 48 par. 10 of the Thuringian Higher Education Act (ThürHG) with up to 50% of the credit points to be acquired. Students must present the required documents reflecting professional practical work in order to have it recognized. In individual cases, the examination committee may require the student to take a placement exam in order to have practical work recognized.

(5) Rejections must be justified in written form. The department conducting the assessment is responsible for deciding on whether the application for recognition meets the necessary conditions.

§ 14 - Examination committee

(1) An examination committee is formed to oversee the organisation of the examinations and ensure that the procedures put forth in these regulations are followed. The examination committee is comprised of four professors, two members of the non-professorial academic staff and one student. The professors, academic staff members and student on the examination committee should represent a cross-section of the degree programme. Committee members are appointed for a two-year term and the student representative for one year. Terms of office can be extended.

(2) The Faculty Council of the Faculty of Architecture and Urbanism is responsible for appointing the chairperson, his or her deputy, the other members of the examination committee and their deputies. The professors must hold at least the absolute majority of votes. The chairperson is normally responsible for supervising the activities of the examination committee.

(3) The examination committee ensures that the procedures put forth in the examination regulations are fully complied with. The committee reports on the progress of the examinations and study duration to the Faculty Council on a regular basis, as well as the time required for the final project/thesis and the allocation of grades and final grades. Furthermore, it can recommend changes to the study and examination regulations and curriculum if needed.

(4) The members of the examination committee have the right to attend examination sessions.

(5) The committee members and their deputies are subject to professional discretion. If they are not civil servants, they are subject to professional discretion through the chairperson.

§ 15 - Examiners

(1) Examiners must be university instructors (in accordance with § 20 par. 2 no. 1 ThürHG) or other authorised individuals (as stated in § 48 par. 2 and 3 ThürHG), who independently give or have given instruction in the subject area related to the examination unless compelling reasons make an exception necessary.

(2) The candidate may suggest an examiner or group of examiners to assess the final project/thesis and the oral examination. Approval of the candidate's suggestion is not guaranteed.

(3) The candidate is to be notified of the names of the examiners in advance, as a rule, 14 days prior to the examination session.

(4) The candidate must present the final project/thesis to an examination board, comprised of at least two members appointed by the examination committee. The supervisor of the final project/thesis must be a university instructor, as well as the first assessor and member of the examination board. The second assessor must come from a different faculty to ensure a balanced assessment of the candidate.

(5) Research assistants and instructors from other faculties of the Bauhaus-Universität Weimar and other institutions may be appointed as second thesis assessors should the thesis topic apply. The rest of the examination board and second assessors may not be part of the supervisor's department. The candidate may submit a proposal for the second reviewer. There is no legal claim to a subject-specific expert.

(6) The provisions of § 14 par. 5 apply to the examiners.

§ 16 – Compensation for Disabilities

(1) Students may apply for compensation for disabilities during their studies. The disability must be medically substantiated. In individual cases an official medical certificate may be required.

(2) Information and advice for chronically ill or disabled students is provided by the University's general advising.

(3) A compensation claim for disabilities must be submitted for each exam taken. Claims do not carry over from the previous semester. The claim should be submitted to the relevant examiner at least four weeks before the exam period begins. Both the application and the decision must be made in writing. The student may propose a form of compensation. Academic advising provides information and advice on this topic.

§ 17 - Purpose and procedure of module examinations

(1) The module exams consist of the exams for introductory project I and project modules II-III in addition to at least four compulsory elective modules from the following categories:

theory modules

specialized modules

(2) The respective theory and specialized module exams can be found in appendix 2.

(3) Module exam topics are in accordance with the course subject matter and in accordance with study regulations. The form of the exam must be announced at the beginning of the semester or earlier.

(4) Module exams must be taken directly after course completion or in the exam period following the lecture phase.

§ 18 – Purpose and procedure of the final exam

The final exam consists of the accompanying module exams, the thesis and its presentation. The module exams are to be set so that the final exam can be completed within the standard study period.

§ 19 – Admission requirements for the thesis

Only those who have completed the following segments in accordance with appendix 2 may be permitted to commence their thesis

1. Introductory project I

2. Project modules II-III

3. Has successfully passed all compulsory and elective modules required

§ 20 – Thesis approval and period of completion

(1) The thesis concludes the MediaArchitecture <Master of Science (M. Sc.)> programme. Its purpose is to demonstrate that the candidate is able to independently solve a problem through practical design application and/or theoretical reflection in the cross-disciplinary field of architecture media using scientific and/or artistic design methods within a given time period.

(2) The final project/thesis can be approved, supervised and assessed by the participating university instructors in the “MediaArchitecture <Master of Science (M.Sc.)>” degree programme. If the final project/thesis is carried out in a form which deviates from this rule, approval from the chairperson of the examination committee is required. The candidate must be given the chance to suggest possible topics for his or her final project/thesis. The candidate is not legally entitled, however, to have his or her suggestion approved.

(3) The topic of the final project/thesis is accepted by the supervising professor on behalf of the examination committee. The topic, date of approval and allotted period of completion must be put on record. The topic may only be discarded once and only within the first eight weeks following the date of its approval. The supervising professor is responsible for informing the examination committee of the approved topic and allotted period of completion.

(4) The final project/thesis can be completed in the form of a group project as long as each candidate’s achievement can be clearly distinguished from that of the other members (e.g. by means of separate sections, page numbers or other objective criteria) and individually assessed, and fulfils the requirements stipulated in par. 1.

(5) The final project/thesis must commence following the final module examination. This final module examination must be completed and presented no later than the end of the sixth semester after beginning the degree programme. If this deadline is exceeded, the right to proceed with the final project/thesis is forfeited.

(6) The period from issuing to delivering the thesis is usually 16 weeks, for experimental tasks it may be up to 20 weeks. In justified cases on request to the supervisor the processing time can be extended by a total of 4 weeks for technical reasons. Sicknesses (as per Section 10 Para. 2) of up to a total of 7 days and public holidays do not result in the processing time being extended. If sick the candidate must present a medical certificate; in cases of doubt an official medical certificate can be requested. Study breaks due to public holidays do not result in the processing time being extended. An extension to the submission period due to sickness or circumstances that the examination committee does not consider that the candidate is responsible for enable the processing time for the thesis to be extended by up to 8 weeks. After this time the work must be stopped. It is then considered not to have been started.

§ 21 - Submission and evaluation of thesis

(1) The candidate must submit the final project/thesis to the professor who approved the topic by the given deadline. The date of submission must be put on record. If the candidate fails to submit the final project/thesis on time, it is automatically marked “insufficient” (5.0).

(2) Upon submission of the final project/thesis, the candidate must provide a written statement confirming that he or she is the sole author of the thesis and used no sources, aids, or consultants other than those specifically cited within. For group projects, the candidate must indicate the section, for which he or she is responsible.

(3) The candidate must also submit the final project/thesis in digital form.

(4) The thesis presentation (oral examination) is held publicly and typically involves a brief presentation by the candidate (approx. 20 minutes). This is followed by a 20-minute discussion period. Exceptions to this format are decided by the examination committee upon request.

(5) The examiners calculate the grade of the final project/thesis by averaging the individual grades (in accordance with § 9 par. 3), whereby the presentation is worth 30% and the thesis is worth 70% of the final project/thesis grade. The final grade of the final project/thesis is calculated in accordance with § 9 par. 1. The examination board is required to draw up a written protocol documenting the grading procedure.

(6) The assessment and evaluation of the final project/thesis must be completed no later than four weeks following submission of the thesis.

(7) If one of the assessors marks the thesis as “insufficient” (5.0), the examination committee must appoint a third assessor, who must be a professor. If this third assessor also deems the thesis “insufficient”, the thesis is marked as “failed”. However, if the assessor deems it at least “sufficient”, the thesis receives a passing mark. The assessments must be submitted in written form.

(8) One printed copy of the thesis and its digital form become property of the Bauhaus-Universität Weimar and can be destroyed one year after the conclusion of the examination process. The Bauhaus-Universität Weimar reserves the right to non-commercial permanent and unlimited use and publication of the final project/thesis (with due credit given to the author) in part or whole for purposes of instruction and research. All other claims of copyright by the author remain unaffected.

§ 22 – Calculation of the final grade and certificate

(1) The overall grade is calculated using the average of all grades from the introductory project I (1 grade), project modules II-III (2 grades), and compulsory elective modules (at least 4, maximum 6 grades) weighted according to credit value (LP). The thesis grade (to one decimal point) is included in the overall average grade. Grades for free elective modules are not taken into account when calculating the final grades, but are listed on the certificate.

The following weighting is given to one decimal point:

Module exams (introductory project I, projects II-III, compulsory elective modules) = 70%

Thesis (including presentation) = 30%

(2) In the case of outstanding achievement, the examination committee can confer the title “with honours” if the thesis and its presentation are given a grade of 1.0 from at least two examiners and no module examination completed during the “MediaArchitecture”, Master of Science (M.Sc.) programme received a grade worse than “good”. The examination committee decides on this grade.

(3) The candidate receives a certificate with an English translation confirming the successful completion of the programme within four weeks after passing the final examination. Printed on the certificate are the grades, topic of the final project/thesis and their grades, as well as the final grade. If the candidate gained academic achievement at other universities, the certificate also includes the names of the corresponding universities. Upon the candidate’s request, the certificate can also mention the specific focus of study and length of time required to complete the degree programme.

(4) The certificate bears the date on which the last examination was successfully completed and is signed and sealed by the dean of the Faculty of Architecture and Urbanism as well as by the chairperson of the examination committee.

§ 23 - Academic degree

(1) With the successful completion of the final examination, the faculty awards the candidate the academic degree of “Master of Science” (M.Sc.).

(2) Along with the certificate, the candidate also receives the diploma in German and English, bearing the date of the certificate. The diploma certifies the conferral of the “Master of Science” (M. Sc.) degree. The certificate is signed by the dean of the Faculty of Architecture and Urbanism and the chairperson of the examination committee, and authenticated with the university seal. The candidate also receives a Diploma Supplement in German and English.

§ 24 - Invalidity of module examinations and the final examination

(1) If the candidate has deliberately manipulated his or her examination results and this deception is discovered after the certificate has been issued, the examination committee is permitted to retroactively correct the results. If necessary, the grade of the module examination may be revised to “insufficient” (> 4.0) or final examination marked as failed. The same applies to the final project/thesis.

(2) If the requirements for admission to an examination were not fulfilled and the candidate had no intention of deceiving the committee, and if this fact is discovered after the certificate is issued, a passing grade on the examination automatically resolves the mistake. However, if the candidate consciously deceived the committee to be admitted to an examination, the committee must decide on an appropriate course of action.

(3) The candidate is allowed to make a statement in his or her defence before a decision is made on the matter.

(4) The incorrect certificate must be retracted and, if necessary, replaced with a new one. The master’s degree diploma and the Diploma Supplement must be retracted along with the certificate. In accordance with par. 1 and par. 2, line 2, decisions concerning retraction may no longer be made after five years of the date on the examination certificate.

§ 25 - Reviewing the examination documents

The candidate may review (on prior request and without undue delay) his or her written examinations, the examiners’ corresponding assessments and the examination protocols within one year following the conclusion of the examination process.

§ 26 - Degree programme “International MediaArchitecture Master Studies” (IMAMS)

The provisions regulating the execution of the degree programme “International MediaArchitecture Master Studies” (IMAMS) are outlined in Appendix 3 of these examination regulations.

§ 27 - Degree programme “Interactions and Interfaces for Digital Environments” (IDE)

The provisions regulating the execution of the degree programme “Interactions and Interfaces for Digital Environments” (IDE) are outlined in Appendix 4 of these examination regulations.

§ 28 - Equal treatment clause

Terms of status and function as applied in these regulations pertain to both sexes to an equal degree.

§ 29 - Legal rights

(1) The candidate must be notified in writing of all detrimental decisions made on the basis of these regulations. The examination committee must include reasonable justification for such decisions along with instructions regarding legal recourse.

(2) The candidate has the right to contest the decision in accordance with par. 1. The objection must be made in writing or dictated orally to the examination committee within one month of notification of the decision. If the examination committee fails to redress the contested decision, the dean of the Faculty of Architecture and Urbanism issues an objection notice which must include the candidate’s options of legal recourse. In the event of rejection or refusal, the candidate may bring the issue to court.

(3) Should the contested decision be upheld in accordance to par. 2, the candidate may pursue the matter further through administrative process.

§ 30 - Statement of effect

(1) These examination regulations enter into effect on the first day of the month following their public announcement by the Bauhaus-Universität Weimar.

(2) First-semester students beginning in the winter semester 2018/19 are the first to whom these regulations apply.

Weimar, 13 December 2017

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Dean

The statutes are approvable.

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Legal advisor

Approved on xx. January 2018

Prof. Dr.-Ing. Winfried Speitkamp
President

PO_Appendix 1 Course Schedule_as of 10 January 2018

1st study year		2nd study year	
1st semester	2nd semester	3rd semester	4th semester
Introductory course	Project course**		Master's module
Introductory project I Σ 18 credits E/P/S 6+6+6 credits	Project module II Σ 18 credits E/P 12 credits V/S 3+3 credits	Project module III Σ 18 credits E/P* 12 credits V/S 3+3 credits	Final project / thesis Σ 30 credits E/P 24 credits Master's Colloquium 3 credits P1/2 3 credits
Accompanying teaching events - optional modules Σ 24 credits, 1st-3rd semester			
<u>Theory module</u>			
<i>At least 2, module grade with at least 12 credits</i>			
<u>Specialist modules</u>			
<i>At least 2, module grade with at least 12 credits</i>			
Accompanying teaching events - elective modules Σ 12 credits***, 1st-3rd semester			

E/P ... Draft/ Project

*... ..integrated research module

LPcredits as per ECTS

V/S....Lecture / Seminar

P1 ... Presentation

** ... An internship or international semester can replace a project course for one semester.

***... 12 credits are completed as freely selected elective modules.

P2 ... Examination

PO_Appendix 2: Course list as of 10. January 2018

Modules	Credits	Number of module examinations	Compulsory modules	Optional modules
1st SEMESTER				
Introductory module		1	18 credits	
Introductory project I*/ ¹	18		x	
2nd/3rd SEMESTER				
Project modules		2	36 credits	
Project module II/ ¹	18 (12+6)	1	x	
Project module III/1/Internship**/ ¹	18 (12+6)	1	x	
1st/2nd/3rd SEMESTER				
Optional modules***		4	24 credits	
Theory module		2	at least 12 credits	
Architecture theory/ ¹	3/6 ²	1		x
Design in context/ ¹	3/6	1		x
Depiction in context/ ¹	3/6	1		x
Cultural techniques in architecture	3/6	1		x
Urban sociology/ ¹	3/6	1		x
Specialist modules		2	at least 12 credits	
Design in context/ ¹	3/6	1		x
Depiction in context/ ¹	3/6	1		x
Media computer science	3/6	1		x
Digital planning/ ¹	3/6	1		x
Interface design principles	6	1		x
Design of media environments	6	1		x
Foreign languages	3	1		x
Elective modules****			12 credits	
4th SEMESTER thesis*****				
Master module/ ¹	24/6	1	24/6	-
Total credits				
		8	120 credits	

* Introductory module I comprises 3 sub-projects that are supported from an interdisciplinary perspective by the professors involved in the course. Introductory module I is completed with an examination.

** An internship or international course lasting one semester can take place as an exception in the second but usually in the third semester. A maximum of 30 credits can be assigned to this semester, 18 credits for the internship (presentation) and 12 credits (submission of internship results) for the international course under the Lisbon Convention and in line with the learning agreement. (See Section 3 of the examination regulations)

*** 24 credits are provided as optional modules from the overall range of modules on offer.

**** 12 credits are selected as electives from the range of courses at Bauhaus-Universität Weimar or other universities. A language course of 3 credits can be included in the 12 credits.

***** The thesis may be an artistic/design or theoretical/academic final project. All study and examination performances required for permission to undertake the thesis must be completed before the thesis is started.

At least 12 credits from the 90 must be selected from the range of courses at the faculties (Architecture and Urbanism, Media or Art and Design) that are not the main focus of study.

¹ Teaching events by professors specialising in architecture.

² Interdisciplinary teaching events with 3 or 6 credits (3/6) may be offered in the modules.

**Degree programme “International MediaArchitecture Master Studies”
(IMAMS)**

Preamble

The basic provisions of the study regulations for the programme “MediaArchitecture” with the conferral of the academic degree “Master of Science” (M.Sc.) remain effective for all participants of the IMAMS degree programme with the addition of the following amendments.

1. Scope

- (1) The degree programme “International MediaArchitecture Master Studies” is carried out within the master’s degree programme “MediaArchitecture” in cooperation with SUNY, University at Buffalo in accordance with its cooperation agreement of 2 July 2012.
- (2) The degree programme “International MediaArchitecture Master Studies” provides students with advanced, professional instruction in the subject areas of MediaArchitecture, thereby preparing graduates for the global market and the interaction between media and architecture. It enhances the students’ ability to engage in interdisciplinary international cooperation and intercultural communication.
- (3) Students may apply for admission to the IMAMS degree programme at their respective universities. Candidates are admitted to the joint IMAMS degree programme on the basis of an application review and selection process conducted at each university.
- (4) The standard period of study for the joint IMAMS degree programme is four semesters. The participants complete the first (foundation) semester at their home university where they gain specific knowledge of their field of study. The second (expansion) and third (pre-thesis) semester are completed at the respective partner university. The participants then return to their home universities to complete their fourth (thesis) semester. The joint IMAMS study programme requires that students earn 30 credit points at the Bauhaus-Universität Weimar and 15 credit points at SUNY, University at Buffalo. In order to implement the study and examination schedule as outlined in the university agreement, both partners pledge to fully recognise the students’ academic achievement and examinations completed at the other’s partner university. The IMAMS curriculum includes an overview of the courses offered in the joint study programme as put forth in Appendix 4, pos. 3.
- (5) Following the successful completion of the joint IMAMS degree programme, students receives two separate certificates and diplomas (double degree): the academic degree “Master of Science in MediaArchitecture” (M.Sc.) from the Bauhaus-Universität Weimar and a “Master in Architecture” (MS) from SUNY, University at Buffalo.
- (6) The participants of this joint programme must also enrol at the foreign partner university as students in the joint IMAMS degree programme by the given enrolment deadlines for the entire duration of their study visit abroad.

(7) The language of instruction is English. The degree programme must ensure that an adequate number of courses are offered in English. With sufficient knowledge of German, students may also attend courses taught in German. All academic activities, including all oral and written assignments and examinations, are conducted or administered in English. Students are required to write and present their master’s thesis in English.

2. Admission requirements

In addition to the requirements stipulated in § 2 par. 1-2 of the study regulations, students who wish to gain admission to the IMAMS degree programme are expected to meet the following language requirements (§ 2 par. 3 does not apply to participants of the IMAMS degree programme):

- Participants from SUNY, University at Buffalo are not required to provide proof of knowledge of German. However, the participants from SUNY, University at Buffalo are required to take a three-credit (ECTS) intensive German course as a compulsory elective module during their second semester.
- Participants from the Bauhaus-Universität Weimar are required to provide proof of English language proficiency (e.g. TOEFL (PBT 550, CBT 213, IBT 79 - 80), IELTS (average of at least 6.5, no test result less than 6.0) or comparable internationally recognised proof of language proficiency, no older than two years).

3. Curriculum for the degree programme “International MediaArchitecture Master Studies“ (IMAMS)

a. Curriculum for students from the Bauhaus-Universität Weimar:

Semester	Foundation / 1 st semester	Expansion / 2 nd semester	Pre-thesis 3 rd semester	Thesis / 4 th semester	
Location	BUW	UB	UB	BUW	
Courses	Project module 18 CP	Studio 7 credits	Directed Research 7 credits	Master module 24 CP	
	Compulsory elective module 6 CP	Seminar / Workshop 3 credits	Seminar / Workshop 3 credits	Master’s Colloque 3 CP	
	Compulsory elective module 6 CP	Seminar / Workshop 3 credits	Seminar / Workshop 3 credits	Thesis presentation / examination 3 CP	
		Seminar / Workshop 2 credits	Seminar / Workshop 2 credits		
CP	30	30	30	30	Total: 120
US credits	15	15	15	15	Total: 60
Degrees: BUW (M.Sc. Master of Science in MediaArchitecture) / UB (MS in Architecture)					

Cr_American Credit Units.
 BUW_Bauhaus-Universität Weimar
 UB_University at Buffalo, SUNY

b. Curriculum for students from SUNY, University at Buffalo

Semester	Foundation / 1 st semester	Expansion / 2 nd semester	Pre-thesis 3 rd semester	Thesis / 4 th semester	
Location	UB	BUW	BUW	UB	
Courses	Studio 7 credits	Project module 18 CP	Project module 18 CP	Thesis 7 credits	
	Seminar / Workshop 3 credits	Compulsory elective module 6 CP	Compulsory elective module 6 CP	Seminar / Workshop 3 credits	
	Seminar / Workshop 3 credits	Compulsory elective module* 3 / 3 CP	Compulsory elective module 6 CP	Seminar / Workshop 3 credits	
	Seminar / Workshop 2 credits			Seminar / Workshop 2 credits	
CP	30	30	30	30	Total: 120
US credits	15	15	15	15	Total: 60
Degrees: BUW (M.Sc. Master of Science in MediaArchitecture) / UB (MS in Architecture)					

* Participants from SUNY, University at Buffalo are required to take a three-credit (ECTS) intensive German course as a compulsory elective module during their second semester.

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Degree programme “Interactions and Interfaces for Digital Environments” (IDE)

Preamble

The basic provisions of the study regulations for the programme “MediaArchitecture” with the conferral of the academic degree “Master of Science” (M.Sc.) remain effective for all participants of the IDE degree programme with the addition of the following amendments.

1. Scope

(1) The degree programme “Interactions and Interfaces for Digital Environments” is carried out within the master’s degree programme “MediaArchitecture” in cooperation with Tongji University, Shanghai in accordance with its cooperation agreement of 01.04.2014.

(2) The degree programme “Interactions and Interfaces for Digital Environments” provides students with advanced, professional instruction in the subject areas of MediaArchitecture, thereby preparing graduates for the global market and the interaction between media and architecture. It enhances the students’ ability to engage in interdisciplinary international cooperation and intercultural communication.

(3) Students may apply for participation in the IDE degree programme at their respective universities. Candidates are admitted to the joint IDE degree programme on the basis of an application review and selection process conducted at each university.

(4) The standard period of study for the joint IDE degree programme is four semesters for students of the Bauhaus-Universität Weimar and six semesters for students of Tongji University. The students of the Bauhaus-Universität Weimar complete the first semester at their home university where they gain specific knowledge of their field of study. The second and third semester are completed abroad at Tongji University. The students then return to the Bauhaus-Universität Weimar to complete their fourth (thesis) semester.

The students of Tongji University complete their first and second semester at their home university. The third and fourth semester are completed abroad at the Bauhaus-Universität Weimar. The students then return home to Tongji University to complete their fifth and sixth semester.

The joint IDE study programme requires that students earn 30 credit points at the Bauhaus-Universität Weimar and 12 credit points at Tongji University. In order to implement the study and examination schedule as outlined in the university agreement, both partners pledge to fully recognise the students’ academic achievement and examinations completed at the other’s partner university. The IDE curriculum includes an overview of the courses offered in the joint study programme as put forth in Appendix 5, pos. 3.

(5) Following the successful completion of the joint IDE degree programme, students receive two separate certificates and diplomas (double degree): the academic degree “Master of Science in MediaArchitecture” (M.Sc.) from the Bauhaus-Universität Weimar and a “Master of Design” from Tongji University.

(6) The participants of this joint programme must also enrol at the foreign partner university as students in the joint IDE degree programme by the given enrolment deadlines for the entire duration of their study visit abroad.

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(7) The language of instruction is English. The degree programme must ensure that an adequate number of courses are offered in English. With sufficient knowledge of German, students may also attend courses taught in German. All academic activities, including all oral and written assignments and examinations, are conducted or administered in English. Students are required to write and present their master’s thesis in English.

2. Admission requirements

In addition to the requirements stipulated in § 2 par. 1-2 of the study regulations, students who wish to gain admission to the IDE degree programme are expected to meet the following language requirements (§ 2 par. 3 does not apply to participants of the IDE degree programme):

- Participants in the IDE degree programme are required to provide proof of English language proficiency (e.g. TOEFL (PBT 550, CBT 213, IBT 79 - 80), IELTS (average of at least 6.5, no test result less than 6.0) or comparable internationally recognised proof of language proficiency, no older than two years).

3. Curriculum for the degree programme “Interactions and Interfaces for Digital Environments” (IDE) a. Curriculum for students from the Bauhaus-Universität Weimar:

Students' Year 1				Students' Year 2				Students' Year 3	
Fall semester September-March / October-March		Spring / Summer semester March-September / April-September		Fall semester September-March / October-March		Spring / Summer semester March-September / April-September		Fall semester September- March	Spring semester March- September
Semester 1		Semester 2		Semester 3		Semester 4		Semester 5	Semester 6
D&I students at D&I	Bauhaus students at Bauhaus	D&I students at D&I	Bauhaus students at D&I	D&I students at Bauhaus	Bauhaus students at D&I	D&I students at Bauhaus	Bauhaus students at Bauhaus	D&I students at D&I	D&I students at D&I
Marxism and The methodology of the Social Sciences (2260014) (01CR) (2.5 ECTS)		Research on the Theory and Practice of Socialism with Chinese Characteristics (2260005) (01CR) (2.5 ECTS)	General view of China (03 CR) (5 ECTS)	Project module (02CR) (18 ECTS) OR Introductory module (02 CR) (18 ECTS)	Tongji D&I course (table 1) (02CR) (5ECTS)	Project module (02 CR) (18 ECTS) Includes thesis initial preparation	Master Thesis (24 ECTS)	Thesis proposal Report (01 CR) (2.5 ECTS)	Thesis Defence for Tongji
Foreign Language English (2090001) (03 CR) (7.5 ECTS)			Chinese language (03CR) (5 ECTS)	Seminar/ Workshop (02CR) (6 ECTS)	Tongji D&I course (table 1) (02 CR) (5 ECTS)	Seminar/ Workshop (02CR) (6 ECTS)	Presentation and Defence Module (6 ECTS)	Internship	Internship
Select at least 11 major courses, including 12 credits compulsories, semicompulsories and 8 credits selectives in Semester 1 & 2. (20 CR) (50 ECTS)	Introductory project module (02 CR) (18 ECTS)	Select at least 11 major courses, including 12 credits compulsories, semicompulsories and 8 credits selectives in Semester 1 & 2. (20 CR) (50 ECTS)	Tongji D&I course (table 1) (02 CR) (5 ECTS))	Seminar/ Workshop (01CR) (3 ECTS)	Tongji D&I course (table 1) (02 CR) (5 ECTS)	Seminar/ Workshop (03CR) (6 ECTS)			
	Seminar/ Workshop (02 CR) (6 ECTS)		Tongji D&I course (table 1) (02 CR) (5 ECTS)	Intensive German language course (01CR) (3 ECTS)	Tongji D&I course (table 1) (02 CR) (5 ECTS)				
	Seminar/ Workshop (02 CR) (6 ECTS)		Tongji D&I course (table1) (02 CR) (5 ECTS)		SFC course (table 2) (1.5 CR) (4 ECTS)				
			SFC course (table 2) (1.5 CR) (4 ECTS)		SFC course (table 2) (1.5 CR) (4 ECTS)				
			SFC course (table 2) (1.5 CR) (4 ECTS)		Thesis proposal Report (01 CR) (2.5 ECTS)				
					Code of Academic Conduct (01 CR) (2.5 ECTS)				
D&I students must achieve a minimum of 26 CR in the first 2 semesters		D&I students must achieve a minimum of 26 CR in the first 2 semesters	Bauhaus students must achieve a minimum of 28 CR (66 ECTS) in the two D&I semesters	D&I students must achieve a minimum of 60 ECTS in the two BAUHAUS semesters	Bauhaus students must achieve a minimum of 28 CR (66 ECTS) in the two D&I semesters	D&I students must achieve a minimum of 60 ECTS in the two Bauhaus semesters			

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