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**Admission Regulations of the University of
Hohenheim for the Master's program in
„Food Science and Technology“**

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University of Hohenheim Admission Regulations for the Master's Program Food Science and Technology in the Faculty of Natural Sciences

The University of Hohenheim Senate passed the following Regulations on 08 November 2023 based on § 63(2), § 60(2), § 59, and § 19(1) sentence 2, item 10 of the State Higher Education Act (Landeshochschulgesetz, LHG) from 01 January 2005 (Law Gazette (GBl.) p. 1 ff.) as amended in Article 1 of the Third Higher Education Amendment Act (Hochschulrechtsänderungsgesetz) from 01 April 2014 (GBl. p. 99), as amended by Art. 8 of the Act to Pass a Climate Protection and Climate Change Adaptation Act and to Include Climate Issues in Additional Legal Regulations (Gesetz zum Erlass eines Klimaschutz- und Klimawandelanpassungsgesetz und zur Verankerung des Klimabelangs in weiteren Rechtsvorschriften) from 07 February 2023 (GBl. p. 26), § 6(1 and 2), § 2c, § 9(2 and 3), and § 11 of the Higher Education Admissions Act (Hochschulzulassungsgesetz, HZG) from 15 September 2005 (GBl. p. 629), last amended by Article 9 of the Fourth Higher Education Amendment Act (4. HRÄG) from 17 December 2020 (GBl. pp. 1204, 1229) and §§ 19 ff. of the Higher Education Admissions Ordinance (Hochschulzulassungsverordnung, HZVO) from 02 December 2019, last amended by Art. 1 of the Amendment Ordinance (Änderungsverordnung, ÄndVO) from 26 June 2023.

§ 1 Scope of Application

- (1) These Regulations set down provisions for admission to the Master's Program Food Science and Technology.
- (2) In addition, the general provisions of the University of Hohenheim's Admission and Enrollment Regulations apply to the admission procedure.

§ 2 Deadline

Admission to the first subject-related semester is possible in the winter and summer semesters. The application for admission must be submitted by the following date according to the applicant's citizenship:

- for applicants who are not citizens of an EU country or EU citizens (Treaty of Maastricht), the application must have been received by the University of Hohenheim by 15 May for the following winter semester or 15 January for the following summer semester (cut-off date).
- for German applicants or applicants with citizenship from another EU member state or citizenship of another member state of the European Economic Area or foreign or stateless applicants who have a German university entrance qualification, the application must have been received by the University of Hohenheim by 15 June for the following winter semester or 15 January for the following summer semester (cut-off date).

§ 3 Form

- (1) The application for admission must be submitted electronically to the University of Hohenheim via the website of the University of Hohenheim (online application) in accordance with the requirements stated therein and with the submission of the required proof stated in § 3(2) by the application deadline. To avoid undue hardship, the University of Hohenheim's Examinations Office can forgo an electronic application and permit a written application.
- (2) Proof of the admission requirements specified in § 5 is required for admission and must be submitted in paper form upon enrollment.
- (3) If the proof according to § 3(2) is not in German or English, a translation into German or English is required by a person or institution who is authorized to issue such translations by a court or by oath.
- (4) The University may require that the proof referred to in § 3(2) be submitted in the original or in officially certified form. Admission shall be refused if the documents do not meet the requirements, including the form, stipulated by the University.

§ 4 Responsibilities

- (1) The President of the University of Hohenheim decides on admission on the recommendation of the responsible selection committee.
- (2) A selection committee is appointed for the Master's program in Food Science and Technology. This selection committee consists of the program coordinator or the academic program adviser, at least two representatives of the professors, and one student member in an advisory capacity. The term of office is two years. Reappointment is permitted. Members are elected by the Faculty Council of the Faculty of Natural Sciences. One of the professorial members of the selection committee is the chairperson. The selection committee is quorate if, in addition to the chairperson or their deputy, one other member is present.
- (3) The selection committee decides by a simple majority of the members present; in the event of a tie, the chairperson has the casting vote. The meetings of the selection committee are not open to the public.

§ 5 Admission Requirements

- (1) Only those applicants who fulfill the following requirements can be admitted to the Master's program in Food Science and Technology:
 - a) a Bachelor's degree program with a natural science or engineering profile that lasted at least three years and included at least 180 credits at a university in Germany or abroad. Bachelor's degree programs in food science and biotechnology, food technology, food engineering, food chemistry, biotechnology, process engineering as well as a Bachelor's degree in Nutritional Science obtained at the University of Hohenheim are recognized. In addition, the selection committee may recognize other degree programs in the natural sciences and engineering as equivalent.
 - b) good English language skills (at least level B2 of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages), which – if it is not the applicant's native language – is usually demonstrated by a language test or other evidence in accordance with Annex 1,
 - c) Applicants who have already been enrolled in the same Master's programs must provide proof that they have the right to be examined in this degree program and that they are not currently undergoing an examination procedure. The same applies to a related degree program. Related degree programs are the degree programs mentioned in § 5(1)a. In addition, the selection committee may recognize further degree programs as related and amend the list accordingly. Proof must be provided by a certificate from the university or college at which the enrollment took place.
- (2) If the degree certificate for the first degree is not yet available by the application deadline, an overview of the examination results available up to that point must be enclosed with the application for admission. The final degree certificate must be submitted no later than 15 December for the winter semester or 30 June for the summer semester of the year for which admission is requested.

§ 6 Entry into Force

- (1) These Regulations shall enter into force on the day after they have been published in the University of Hohenheim's Official Communications.
- (2) At the same time, the University of Hohenheim's Admission Regulations for the Master's degree programs in the Faculty of Natural Sciences "Food Biotechnology" and "Food Science and Engineering" from 15 April 2021 (published in the Official Notices of the University of Hohenheim no. 1314) will no longer apply.
- (3) These Admission Regulations shall apply for the first time to the admission procedure for the winter semester 2024/25.

Attachment 1 on Sec. 5 Additional Agreements

Required language skills for the Master's Program in Food Science and Technology at the Faculty of Natural Sciences

(1) Good English language skills are required for admission. Proof of language proficiency may be given by providing one of the following documents:

- a) TOEFL test (internet based) with at least 90 out of 120 points
- b) IELTS certificate with at least 6.5 out of 9 points
- c) UNlcert II certificate (min. grade "good")

(2) Proof of sufficient language skills is not required if the applicant

- a) is a citizen of one of the following countries and declares that English as their native language: United Kingdom, Ireland, Australia, Canada, New Zealand, USA, Antigua and Barbuda, Bahamas, Barbados, Dominica, Grenada, Jamaica, St. Kitts and Nevis, St. Lucia, St. Vincent and the Grenadines, Trinidad and Tobago, Belize, or Guyana; or
- b) has successfully completed a Bachelor's/Master's degree in English at a recognized European university or in one of the countries listed under a). If the degree certificate has not yet been issued by the application deadline, § 5 applies accordingly; or
- c) attended a bilingual secondary school as long as one of the languages of instruction is English; or
- d) took English continuously as a subject in the upper secondary school (minimum grade of the grade average in the upper secondary school "satisfactory" (8 points)).

(3) If the required minimum grade according to 2.d cannot be demonstrated in the upper secondary school, this can be compensated for if the applicant

- a) completed at least 1 semester of the Bachelor's degree course in English; or
- b) completed at least a 3-month full-time internship in an English-speaking company.

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