

**First Amendment to the Subject-Specific  
Regulations on Access and Admission to the  
Master's Degree Program in National and  
International Administration and Policy at  
the University of Potsdam**

**Dated February 24, 2021<sup>1</sup>**

The Faculty Council of the Faculty of Economics and Social Sciences at the University of Potsdam has approved on February 24, 2021, the following regulations on the basis of Section 9 subsection 5 sentence 2 in conjunction with Section 72 subsection 2 no. 1 of the Brandenburg Higher Education Act (BbgHG) of April 28, 2014 (Law and Ordinance Gazette [GVBl.] I/14, [no. 18]), last amended by Article 2 of the Act of June 5, 2019 (GVBl. I/19, [no. 20], p. 3) in conjunction 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 Section 3 of the Act of June 19, 2019 (GVBl. I/19, [no. 35], p. 10) in conjunction 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]), last amended by the Ordinance of August 12, 2020 (GVBl.II/20, [no. 69]), and according to Section 21 subsection 2 no. 1 of the Basic Constitution of the University of Potsdam (GrundO) of December 17, 2009 (Bulletin UP no. 4/2010 p. 60) in the Fifth Amended Version of the Basic Constitution of the University of Potsdam (GrundO) of February 21, 2018 (Bulletin UP no. 11/2018 p. 634) as well as the General Admission Regulations for Master's Degree Programs at the University of Potsdam Not Related to Teacher Education (ZulO) of February 24, 2016 (Bulletin UP no. 3/2016, p. 76), last amended on May 13, 2020 (Bulletin UP no. 8/2020, p. 306):<sup>2</sup>

### **Article 1**

The Subject-Specific Regulations on Access and Admission to the Non-Teaching-Oriented Master's Degree Program in National and International Administration and Policy at the University of Potsdam of July 20, 2016 (Bulletin UP no. 3/17 p. 67) are modified as follows:

1. In Section 3 subsection 1, the statement

“d) At variance to Section 4 subsection 4 of ZulO,  
German language skills need not be

demonstrated.”

is replaced by

“d) For applicants who are not German, a document certifying German language skills according to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages CEFR, level A2, or another equivalent certification. A list of certificates accepted as proof will be published on the University of Potsdam website before the start of the application process.“.

2. In Section 5 subsection 3, the new phrase “and d)” is added after the existing phrase “according to Section 3 c)”.

3. Section 6 subsection 2 sentences 2 and 3 are replaced with the following:

“To calculate the total point value in accordance with Section 9 of the ZulO, the following criteria are weighted as described:

“(a) Average grade or current average grade:  
90%,

“(b) Evidence of a stay abroad relevant to the degree program with a duration of at least 3 months: 10%. The criterion may be specified as: “existent/fulfilled” or “non-existent/not fulfilled”.

### **Article 2**

(1) These regulations take effect on the day after their publication in the Official Announcements of the University of Potsdam.

(2) These regulations first apply to all admission procedures for the master's degree program in National and International Administration and Policy carried out for the winter semester 2021/22.

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<sup>1</sup> This translation is provided for information purposes only. In case of discrepancies or inconsistencies between the German and English version of these regulations, the German version shall prevail.

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