

**Addendum OER Master 2019-2020 and 2020-2021, Department of Law, Utrecht University and OER Master's Degree Programmes 2019-2020 and 2020-2021, Faculty of Law, Economics and Governance (Legal Research, Multidisciplinary Economics, Research in Public Administration and Organizational Science).**

**Supplementary regulation regarding the unconditional inflow of students into master's programmes without having completed a bachelor's degree.**

To prevent students from unnecessarily delaying study progress as a result of the COVID-19 measures, this regulation provides for additional provisions that make an exception to the admission requirement of having obtained a university bachelor's degree. In this way, the enrolment in the master programs of the Department of Law as well as the Legal Research Master of the Faculty of Law, Economics, Governance and Organization is made possible when the bachelor program could not be completed due to the COVID-19 crisis.

This regulation should be read together with the OER Master's Degree Programmes 2019-2020 and 2020-2021, Faculty of Law, Economics, and Governance (only insofar as the Legal Research Master's is concerned).

**Art. I - Applicability of the regulation**

This regulation applies to the academic year 2019/2020 and the academic year 2020/2021 and applies to the following Master's programmes:

- Criminologie/Criminology (CROHO 66469),
- European Law (CROHO 60602),
- Law and Economics (CROHO 60742),
- Nederlands recht (CROHO 66451),
- Notarieel recht (CROHO 66828),
- Public International Law (CROHO 60856), en
- Onderneming en recht/Company and Law (CROHO 60741), alsmede
- Legal Research (CROHO code 60744).

**Art. II - Admission - OER Master, Department of Law**

1. In addition to the in art. 2. 1.1 OER Master's degree in Law 2019/2020 mentioned holder of a Dutch or foreign diploma with knowledge, insight, and skills at the level of a university bachelor's degree is, in compliance with the other admission requirements for the European Law, Law and Economics, Dutch law, and Notarial Law programmes listed in the OER and appendices, Public International Law and Company and Law/Company and Law in the academic year 2020/21 also admissible the student who is enrolled in the academic year 2019/2020 at a Dutch or foreign institution of higher education and was unable to successfully complete the bachelor's degree due to a demonstrable study delay in the period from 1 March 2020 up to and including 31 August 2020, but who can demonstrate that he, on 1 September 2020:
  - a. possesses the prior knowledge essential for the master's programme in question, as communicated on the programme website,
  - b. has successfully completed the graduation work or another substantial writing assignment that forms part of the bachelor's programme that was followed, and
  - c. does not need to to achieve more than 15 ECTS by 31 August 2021 for completion of the bachelor's degree.
2. In addition to the in art. 2. 1.1 OER Master's degree in Law 2019/2020 mentioned holder of a Dutch or foreign diploma with knowledge, insight, and skills at the level of a university bachelor's degree is, in compliance with the other admission requirements for the Criminology programme in the academic year 2020/21 also admissible the student who is enrolled in the academic year 2019/2020 at a Dutch or foreign institution of higher education and was unable to successfully complete the

bachelor's degree due to a demonstrable study delay in the period from 1 March 2020 up to and including 31 August 2020, but who can demonstrate that he/she, on 1 September 2020:

- a. possesses the essential knowledge relevant to the training, as communicated on the training website,
- b. has satisfactorily completed a substantial written assignment forming part of the bachelor's programme, and
- c. does not need to achieve more than 15 EC to complete the bachelor's degree by 31 August 2021 at the latest.

Also admissible to the Criminology programme is, in compliance with the other admission requirements specified in the OER and the appendix, a student who is enrolled at Utrecht University in the 2019/2020 academic year for the bachelor's programme in Law or Social Sciences, but who was unable to successfully complete the bachelor's programme because he suffered a demonstrable study delay in the period from 1 March 2020 up to and including 31 August 2020, but who can demonstrate that on 1 September 2020:

- a. possesses the essential knowledge relevant to the study programme, as communicated on the study programme website, and in any case has successfully completed or nearly completed the minor in Criminology at Utrecht University,
- b. has satisfactorily completed a substantial written assignment forming part of the bachelor's programme, and
- c. does not need to achieve more than 15 EC to complete the bachelor's degree by 31 August 2021 at the latest.

3. In addition to art. 2. 4 OER Master's degree in Law 2019/2020 is also admissible in the 2020/2021 academic year to the programmes European Law, Law and Economics, Dutch Law, in compliance with the other admission requirements referred to in the OER and appendices, Public International Law and Enterprise and Law/Company and Law the student with an HBO-Rechten diploma who is enrolled in the 'schakelzone' Law of the OU in the academic year 2019/2020 and who has not been able to complete this 'schakelzone' because he has suffered a demonstrable study delay in the period from 1 March 2020 up to and including 31 August 2020, but who can demonstrate that he was able to do so on 1 September 2020:
  - a. possesses the essential knowledge relevant to the master's programme in question, as communicated on the programme website,
  - b. Completed the 'schakel' thesis with satisfactory results; and
  - c. need not exceed 10 EC to complete the 'schakelzone' by 31 August 2021.
4. In addition to the assessment of the 2.1 clause 4 OER Master's degree in Law 2019/2020, the selection of the student referred to in the previous clauses is based on a positive assessment of the feasibility of the individual study plan submitted by the student at the start of the selection procedure. The study plan must show, also in view of the student's previous study results and proven skills, that the student can be considered capable of completing the bachelor's degree before 31 August 2021 and on that date also have obtained at least 45 ECTS in the chosen master program.

### **Art. III – Admission – OER Master Degree Programme Legal Research, Faculty of Law, Economics and Governance**

1. In addition to the in art. 2. 1.1 OER Master's degree in Law 2019/2020 mentioned holder of a Dutch or foreign diploma with knowledge, insight, and skills at the level of a university bachelor's degree is, in compliance with the other admission requirements for the Legal Research programme in the academic year 2020/21 also admissible the student who is enrolled in the academic year 2019/2020 at a Dutch or

foreign institution of higher education and was unable to successfully complete the bachelor's degree due to a demonstrable study delay in the period from 1 March 2020 up to and including 31 August 2020, but who can demonstrate that he/she, on 1 September 2020:

- a. has the essential legal knowledge relevant to the programme, as communicated on the training website,
  - b. has satisfactorily completed a substantial written assignment forming part of the bachelor's programme, and
  - c. does not need to achieve more than 15 EC to complete the bachelor's degree by 31 August 2021 at the latest.
2. In addition to the assessment of the other standards referred to in Article 2.1 L section 2 OER Research Masters Faculty of Law, Economics and Governance 2019/2020, the student referred to in the previous paragraph will be selected on the basis of a positive assessment of the feasibility of the study plan submitted by the student as part of the selection procedure. The study plan must demonstrate, also in the light of the student's previous achievements and proven skills, that the student can be considered capable of completing the bachelor's programme before 31 August 2021 and on that date have also obtained at least 45 EC in the chosen master's programme.

#### **Art. IV - Admission procedure for the in Art. I mentioned programmes**

Admission to the programme or the various programmes as referred to in Article I is assigned to the Admissions Committee of the programme or programme as referred to in the OER Master of Law 2019/2020 or the OER Research Masters Faculty of Law, Economics and Governance 2019/2020. The latter applies art. 2.5 OER Master of Law 2019/2020 or art. 2.3 L OER Research Masters Faculty of Law, Economics and Governance 2019/2020 accordingly.

#### **Art. V - Conditional admission**

1. At the request of a student as referred to in Art. II or III of these regulations, the admissions board may conditionally admit them to the programme, provided that only courses with a combined study load of no more than 30 ECTS must be obtained from the bachelor's programme.
2. By 1 September 2020 at the latest, the conditions set out in Art. II or Art. III must be met by 1 September 2020 at the latest.

#### **Art. VI - Examination and certificate**

1. In addition to article 6.1 section 4 OER Master of Law 2020/2021 and article 6.1 section 4 OER Research Masters Faculty of Law, Economics and Governance 2020/2021, students as referred to in article II or III must have completed the bachelor's programme or the 'schakelzone' Law in order to pass the examination.
2. Contrary to Article 6.1 paragraph 6 OER Master of Law 2020/2021 or Article 6.1 paragraphs 6 and 8 OER Research Masters Faculty of Law, Economics and Governance 2020/21, the student as referred to in Article II who has passed the examination and is entitled to be awarded a certificate may request the Board of Examiners not to proceed yet and to postpone the examination date as referred to in the third paragraph. This request must be submitted within ten working days after the student has been informed of the result of the examination. With this request, the student indicates when he wants to receive the certificate.

#### **Art VII - Safety net rules**

In those cases in which such special circumstances apply that application of these regulations leads to manifestly unreasonable results, it may be decided by or on behalf of the education director, having heard the Admissions Board, that a student without a completed university bachelor's programme as referred to in Articles II and III will be admitted to the master's programme in question, whether or not subject to further conditions. These conditions include, in any case, agreements between the student and

the programme leader concerned to the effect that the student must have completed the bachelor's programme before 31 August 2021 and obtained 60 ECTS in the academic year 2020/2021 for the bachelor's and master's programmes together.

**Art. VIII - Explanation of these regulations**

In the event of any doubt regarding the interpretation of these regulations or their relationship to the OER Master's degree in Law or the OER Research Master's Faculty of Law, Economics, and Governance, the education director will decide on the application of Articles I-V and VII. About Art. VI the examination committee will decide.

**Art. IX - Publication**

The Dean shall ensure publication of these regulations, as well as of any changes via the Internet.

**Article X - Entry into force**

This regulation shall enter into force immediately.