

Teaching and Examination Regulations (TER)

Faculty of Science

Masterprogramme in Business Analytics

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Section A: Faculty Section

1. General provisions

Article 1.1 Applicability of the Regulations

	 1. These Regulations apply to anyone enrolled for the programme, irrespective of the academic year in which the student was first enrolled for the programme. These Regulations apply to the teaching and examinations for the following Master's degree programmes: Artificial Intelligence Bioinformatics and System Biology Biomedical Sciences Biomolecular Sciences Business Analytics Computer Science Drug Discovery and Safety Earth Sciences Ecology Environment and Resource Management Global Health (research) Health Sciences Hydrology Informatics Management, Policy Analysis and Entrepreneurship in the Health and Life Sciences Mathematics Medical Natural Sciences Neurosciences (research) Parallel and Distributed Computer Systems Science Business and Innovation 	Advice OLC, approval FGV (9.38 ub b)
approval FGV	 Stochastics and Financial Mathematics 2. These Regulations enter into force with effect from 1 September 2019. 	
	 An amendment to the Teaching and Examination Regulations is only permitted to concern an academic year already in progress if this does not demonstrably damage the interests of students. 	Advice OLC, approval FGV (9.38 sub b)

Article 1.2 Definitions

The following definitions are used in these Regulations (*in alphabetical order*):

a. academic year:	the period beginning on 1 September and ending on 31 August of the following calendar year;
b. CvB:	the Executive Board of Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam.
c. Double degree programme	joint programme in the context of cooperation between Vrije Unviersiteit Amsterdam and the educational institution within and outside the EU, as to gain a double university degree; of the VU and the educational institution concerned; though not being the same as a 'joint degree programme' according to the art. 7.3c WHW':
d. EC (European Credit):	an EC credit with a workload of 28 hours of study;
e. educational component:	a unit of study of the programme within the meaning of the WHW;
f. examination:	the final examination of the Master's programme;
g. exemption	Exemption from an examination/ practical/ fieldwork based on an earlier
	successfully completed examination, or knowledge / skills of a similar content, level
	and scope gained outside higher education;
h. FGV:	Faculty joint assembly – assembly of the faculty student council and faculty staff



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	council;	
i. interim examination:	an assessment of the student's knowledge, understanding and skill	ls relating to a
	course component. The assessment is expressed in terms of a final	-
	examination may consist of one or more partial examinations. A re-	
	the same material as the original interim examination;	·
j. joint degree:	a degree awarded by an institution together with one or more institution	tutions in the
	Netherlands or abroad, after the student has completed a study pro	
	programme, a major or a specific curriculum within a degree prog	ramme) for which
	the collaborating institutions are jointly responsible;	
k. OLC:	programme committee;	
l. period:	a part of a semester;	
m. practical exercise:	the participation in a practical training or other educational learnin	ig activity, aimed
	at acquiring certain (academic) skills. Examples of practical exerc	ises are:
	 researching and writing a thesis or dissertation 	
	 carrying out a research assignment 	
	• taking part in fieldwork or an excursion	
	• taking part in another educational learning activity aimed	1 at acquiring
	specific skills, or	
	• participating in and completing a work placement;	
n. premaster student	those who enroll in a premaster programme;	
o. Programme:	the totality and cohesion of the course components, teaching activ	ities/methods,
	contact hours, testing and examination methods and recommended	l literature;
p. SAP/SLM:	the student information system (Student Lifecycle Management);	
q. semester:	the first (September - January) or second half (February - August)) of an
	academic year;	
r. study guide:	the guide for the study programme that provides further details of	the courses,
	provisions and other information specific to that programme. The	Study Guide is
	available electronically at:	
	https://www.vu.nl/studiegids	
s. subject	see 'educational component';	
t. substituting course/educa	ational see under d (double degree programme). A course obtained at the	
component	educational institute, within the context of cooperation, that is me	ntioned in the
	diploma supplement as such; not being an 'exemption'.	
u. thesis/ internship work p	placement a component comprising research into the literature and/or contri	buting to
	scientific research, always resulting in a written report;	
v. university:	Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam;	
w. WHW:	the Dutch Higher Education and Research Act (<i>Wet op het Hoger</i>	Onderwijs en
	Wetenschappelijk Onderzoek);	
x. workload:	the workload of the unit of study to which an interim examination	
	in terms of credits = EC credits (ECTS = European Credit and Tra	
	Accumulation System). The workload for 1 year (1,680 hours) is 6	50 EC credits.

The other terms have the meanings ascribed to them by the WHW.

2. Study programme structure

Article 2.1 Structure of academic year and educational components

1. T	The study programme will be offered in a year divided into two semesters.	Ordinance CvB, see appendix 3
2. E	Every semester consists of three consecutive periods of eight, eight and four weeks.	Ordinance CvB, see appendix 3
3. A	An educational component comprises 6 EC or a multiple thereof.	Ordinance CvB,



	see appendix 3
4. By way of exception to paragraph 3, Section B may stipulate that a unit of study	Ordinance CvB,
comprises 3 EC or a multiple thereof. The Faculty Board requests permission from the	see appendix 3
Executive Board.	

Article 2.2 Refusal or termination of registration / (iudicium abeundi)

1. Pursuant to the provisions of Article 7.42a of the Act, the Faculty Board or the Examination Board may, in exceptional circumstances, request the Executive Board to terminate or refuse a student's registration on a programme. This may be the case if the student's conduct or statements demonstrate his or her unsuitability to work in the relevant field or discipline, or to take part in the programme's practical training component.	WHW
2. If a student is suspected of being unsuitable as described in paragraph 1, the Examination Board or the Faculty Board will examine the case, and the student will be informed of this immediately. The Examination Board or the Faculty Board will only issue a recommendation after careful consideration of the interests involved and following a hearing with the student concerned.	WHW

3. Assessment and Examination

Article 3.1 Signing up for education and interim examinations

1.	Every student must sign up to participate in the educational components of the programme, the examinations and resits. The procedure for signing up is described in an annex to the Student Charter.	Ordinance CvB, see appendix 3
2.	Signing up may only take place in the designated periods.	Ordinance CvB, see appendix 3
3.	If a student does not pass the examination and the resit of a component, he/ she is obliged to take the whole component again. This rule does not apply to practical exercises and programmes that make use of component marks that retain their validity. For further regulations see Section B of the programme involved.	Advice OLC, approval FGV (7.13 x)

Article 3.2 Type of examination

1. At the student's request, the Examination Board may permit a different form of interim examination than that stipulated in the course catalogue. If applicable, more detailed regulations on this are included in the Rules and Guidelines for the Examination Board.	Advice OLC, Approval FGV (7.13 l)
2. In an educational component is no longer offered in the academic year following its termination, at least one opportunity will be provided to sit the interim examination(s) or parts thereof and a transitional arrangement will be included in the programme-specific section for the subsequent period.	Advice OLC, approval FGV (7.13 j)

Article 3.3 Oral interim examinations

1.	An oral assessment is public unless the Examinations Board on request determines otherwise.	Advice OLC; approval FGV (7.13 l and n)
2.	An oral examination will be taken in the presence of a second examiner.	Advice OLC, approval FGV (art. 9.38 par. b)

Article 3.4 Determining and announcing results

1. The examiner determines the result of a written interim examination as soon as possible,	Ordinance CvB,
but at the latest within fifteen working days. By way of departure from that stipulated in	see appendix 3
the first clause, the marking deadline for theses, internships / work placements and final	
assignments is no longer than twenty working days. The examiner will then immediately	
ensure that the marks are registered and also ensures that the student is immediately	
notified of the mark, taking due account of the applicable confidentiality standards.	



2.	a. The examiner determines the result (i.e. mark) of an oral examination as soon as possible, though within one working day, after the examination has finished and informs the student accordingly. The third clause of the first paragraph applies.b. The examiner determines the result of an interim examination no later than five working days before the next (interim) examination will be held.	Advice OLC; approval FGV (7.13 o)
3.	In the case of alternative forms of oral or written examinations, the Examination Board determines in advance how and by what deadline the student will be informed of the results.	Advice OLC; approval FGV (7.13 o)
4	A student can submit a request for reassessment to the examiner. A request for reassessment does not affect the time period for lodging an appeal.	Advice OLC; approval FGV (9.38 sub b)
5.	Together with the result of an examination, the student's attention will also be drawn to their right to inspect the assessed work and have a post-examination discussion as stipulated in Art. 3.9, as well as his/her option to lodge a complaint before the Examination Board, and if necessary, to appeal to the Examinations Appeals Board (in Dutch: COBEX).	

Article 3.5 Examination opportunities

1. a. Per academic year, two opportunities to take examinations per educational	Ordinance CvB,	
component will be offered.	see appendix 3	
b. The options for retaking practical components, work placements and theses are detailed		
in the relevant work placement manual, teaching regulations or graduation regulations.		
2. The most recent mark will apply in the event of a resit. A retake is allowed for both	Ordinance CvB,	
passed and failed units of study.	see appendix 3	
3. The resit for a (partial) interim examination must not take place within ten working	Advice OLC;	
days of the announcement of the result of the (partial) examination being resat.	approval FGV	
	(7.13 j)	
4. The Examination Board may allow a student an extra opportunity to sit an	Ordinance CvB,	
examination if that student:	see appendix 3	
a) is lacking only those credits to qualify for his or her degree;		
b) has failed the examination during all the previously offered attempts, unless		
participation in an examination was not possible for compelling reasons.		
The extra opportunity can only be offered if it concerns a written examination, a paper or		
a take home examination. This provision excludes the practical assignments and the		
Master's thesis. Requests for an additional examination opportunity must be submitted		
to the Examination Board no later than 15 July. If necessary, the method of		
examination may deviate from the provisions in the study guide.		

Article 3.6 Marks

1. Marks are given o	n a scale from	1 to 10 with no n	nore than one dea	cimal point.	Ordinance CvB
					see appendix 3
2. The final marks an	re given in who	ole or half points.			Ordinance CvB
	C	1			see appendix 3
3. Final marks betwe	een 5 and 6 wil	l be rounded off t	o whole marks:	up to 5.5 rounded down;	Ordinance CvB
from 5.5 rounded	up. To pass a c	course a 6 or high	ner is required	-	see appendix 3
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any (interim) examination, the examiner will register the mark 'ns' (c.q. no show).	any (interim) exam	nination, the	examiner will regist	ter the mark 'ns'	(c.q. no show).	

Article 3.7 Exemption

1.	 At the written request of the student, the Examination Board may exempt the student from taking one or more examination components, if the student: a) has passed a course component of a university or higher professional education programme that is equivalent in terms of content and level; b) has demonstrated through his/her work and/or professional experience that he/she has sufficient knowledge and skills with regard to the relevant course component. The Examination Board will make a decision within six weeks after receiving the request. 	Advice OLC; approval FGV (7.13 r)
2.	The Master's thesis, the final work placement (c.q. internship) and the final project (c.q. final paper) are excluded from this exemption possibility.	Advice OLC; approval FGV (9.38 sub b)
3.	A maximum of 18 EC for a one one-year master programme and 36 EC for a one two- year master programme can be accumulated through granted exemption. The substituting courses (educational components) are not included.	Advice OLC, approval FGV (art. 7.13 par. 2, under r WHW jo art. 9.38 par. b)

Article 3.8 Validity period for results

1.	The validity period of interim examinations passed and exemption from interim	WHW
	examinations is unlimited, unless otherwise specified in Section B.	
2.	The validity period of a partial examination is limited to the academic year in which it was sat or until the end of the unit of study concerned, as stipulated for the relevant unit of study in Section B.	Advice OLC; approval FGV (9.38 sub b)

Article 3.9 Right of inspection and post-examination discussion

1.	For twenty working days after the announcement of the results of a written interim examination, the student can, on request, inspect his or her assessed work, the questions and assignments set in it, as well as the standards applied for marking. The place and time referred to in the previous clause will be announced at the time of the	Advice OLC; approval FGV (7.13 p en q)
	interim examination on VUnet or Canvas.	
2.	If a collective post-examination discussion has been organized, individual post- examination discussions will be held only if the student has attended the collective	Advice OLC; approval FGV (7.13 q)



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discussion or if the student was unable to attend the collective discussion through no fault of his or her own.	
3. Students who meet the requirements stipulated in paragraph 1 can submit a request for an individual post-examination discussion to the relevant examiner. The discussion shall take place at a time and location to be determined by the examiner.	Advice OLC; approval FGV (7.13 p en q)

Article 3.10 Fraud and plagiarism

1. The provisions of the Rules and Guidelines for the Examination Board apply in full.	Ordinance CvB
2. Electronic detection software programmes may be used to detect plagiarism in texts.	Ordinance CvB
In submitting a text, the student implicitly consents to the text being saved in the	
database of the detection programme concerned.	

4. Academic student counselling and study progress

Article 4.1 Administration of study progress and academic student counselling

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1.	The faculty board is responsible for the correct registration of the students' study results.	Advice OLC;
	After the assessment of an educational component has been registered, every student has	approval FGV
	the right to inspect the result for that component and also has a list of the results achieved	(7.13 u)
	at his or her disposal in VUnet.	
2.	Enrolled students are eligible for academic student counselling. Academic student	Advice OLC;
	counselling is in any case provided by:	approval FGV (7.13 u)
a. The Student General Counselling Service		(7.13 u)
b. Student psychologists		
с	. Faculty academic advisors	

Article 4.2 Adaptations for students with a disability

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	A student with a disability can, at the moment of submission to VUnet, or at a later instance, submit a request to qualify for special adaptations with regard to teaching, practical training and interim examinations. These adaptations will accommodate the student's individual disability as much as possible, but may not alter the quality or degree of difficulty of a unit of study or an examination. In all cases, the student must fulfil the exit qualifications for the study programme.	Advice OLC; approval FGV (7.13 m)
2.	The request referred to in the first paragraph must be accompanied by a statement from a doctor or psychologist. If possible, an estimate should be given of the potential impact on the student's study progress. In case of a chronic disability a single (one time) request suffices.	Advice OLC; approval FGV (7.13 m)
3.	Students who have been diagnosed with dyslexia must provide a statement from a BIG, NIP or NVO registered professional who is qualified to conduct psychological evaluation.	Advice OLC; approval FGV (7.13 m)
4.	The faculty board, or on behalf of the faculty board, the educational director, or the programme director, decides on the adaptations concerning the teaching facilities and logistics. The Examination Board will rule on requests for adaptations with regard to examinations.	Advice OLC; approval FGV (7.13 m)
5.	In the event of a positive decision in response to a request as referred to in paragraph 1, the student will make an appointment with the study adviser to discuss the details of the provisions.	Advice OLC; approval FGV (7.13 m)
6.	A request for adaptations will be refused if it would place a disproportionate burden on the organization or the resources of the faculty or university were it upheld.	Advice OLC; approval FGV (7.13 m)
7.	If the disability justifies an extension of the interim examination time, the Examination Board will grant permission testifying to this entitlement to an extension. If a disability justifies other measures to be taken, the Examination Board will advice the Faculty Board on the necessary measures to be taken.	Advice OLC; approval FGV (7.13 m)
8.	The decision as referred to in paragraph 7, is valid for a maximum period of one year with the exception for the chronic diseases and disabilities.	Advice OLC; approval FGV



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5. Hardship clause

Article 5.1 Hardship clause

In instances not regulated by the Teaching and Examination Regulations or in the event of	Advice OLC;
demonstrable extreme unreasonableness and unfairness, the faculty board responsible for the	approval FGV
study programme will decide, unless the matter concerned is the responsibility of the	(9.38 sub b)
Examinations Board.	

Article 5.2. Publication

1. Th	he faculty board will ensure the appropriate publication of these Regulations and any	WHW
am	hendments to them.	
2. Th	e Teaching and Examination Regulations will be posted in the study guide or on	WHW
VU	Unet.	

Approved by authorized representative advisory body FGOV of the Faculty of Science on 3 September 2019.

Adopted by the Faculty Board on 30 August 2019.



6. General programme information and characteristics

Article 6.1 Study programme information

	e off Stady programme information	
1.	The programme Business Analytics CROHO number 66856 is offered on a full-time and combined work-study basis.	Advise OLC; approval FGV (7.13 i)
2.	The language of instruction is English.	Advise OLC; approval FGV (9.38 sub b)

Article 6.2 Teaching formats used and modes of assessment

1	. The programme uses the teaching formats as specified in the study guide.	Advise OLC;
		approval FGV
		(7.13 x)
2	. The modes of assessment used per educational component are specified in the study guide.	Advise OLC;
		approval FGV
		(7.13 l)

7. Further admission requirements

Article 7.1 Intake date(s)

1.	The programme starts on September 1.	Advise OLC;
		approval FGV
		(9.38 sub b)

Article 7.2 Admission requirements

1	. Ac ba kn pro	 Imission to the master's programme is possible for an applicant who has obtained a chelor's degree at an institution of academic higher education, which demonstrates the owledge, understanding and skills corresponding to the exit qualifications of the bachelor ogramme Business Analytics. This is demonstrated in the following prior education quirements: Registration for the master's programme in Business Analytics is open to anyone who is in possession of a bachelor's degree in Business Analytics. An applicant with a university bachelor's degree in a field other than that specified in paragraph 7.2.1.a may be admitted to the programme by the examination board if the following conditions have been met: × the applicant's prior education, including any additional coursework, includes at least 90 credits in mathematics, computer science and/or econometrics; × the applicant's prior education, including any additional coursework, includes at least 45 credits in mathematics, including at the very least Probability and Statistics; 	Partly legal provision & ordinance CvB, see appendix 3. Admission requirements excepted from participation in WHW
		least 90 credits in mathematics, computer science and/or econometrics;	
		least 45 credits in mathematics, including at the very least Probability and Statistics;	
		 the applicant has proven programming experience; the applicant's prior education meets the qualifications of a university bachelor's programme as defined in the Dublin descriptors; 	
		 the applicant's English-language proficiency is at least equivalent to pre-university final-exam level (vwo in the Netherlands). 	
2		e admissions board will investigate whether the applicant meets the admission quirements.	Legal provision



Article 7.3 Premaster's programme

1.	. a) Students with a bachelor's degree of a university of applied science (HBO) in a field that	Advise OLC;
	corresponds to a sufficient extent with the subject area covered by the master's programme	approval FGV (9.38 sub b)
	can request admission to the premaster's programme.	(9.38 800 0)
	b) Students with a bachelor's degree from an institution of academic higher education in a	
	field that does not sufficiently corresponds with the subject area covered by the master's	
	programme can request admission to the premaster's programme.	
2.	. The premaster's programme comprises 30 EC and is determined by the admission board,	Advise OLC;
	and depends on the prior knowledge of the candidate.	approval FGV
		(9.38 sub b)
3.	. A successfully completed premaster's programme serves as proof of admission to the	Legal
	specified master's programme in the subsequent academic year.	provision
4	. A candidate can only participate in one premaster's programme at the Vrije Universiteit.	Ordinance
		CvB,
		see appendix 3

8. Interim examinations and results

Article 8.1 Sequence of interim examinations

1.	Students may participate in interim examinations [or practical exercises] of the components below, only if they have passed the interim examination or examinations for the components mentioned hereinafter: before starting an internship and/or graduation project, the student must have earned all other programme credits. A shortfall of 6 credits is permissible, as long as it does not include credits for the Research Paper Business Analytics	Advise OLC; approval FGV (7.13 h, s & t)
	or the Research Seminar Business Analytics.	

Article 8.2 Validity period for results

S	See Article 3.8 of the Teaching and Examination Regulations, section A. No further specific	Advise OLC;
p	provisions.	approval FGV
1		(7.13 k)

Article 8.3 Maximum Exemption(s)

A maximum of 36 EC of the curriculum can be accumulated through granted exemptions, based on previous results within other master's programmes.	Advise OLC, approval FGV (7.13 par. 2,
	under r jo art. 9.38 sub b)

Article 8.4 Degree

Degree Students who have successfully completed their master's final examination are awarded		
a Master of Science degree (MSc). The degree awarded is stated on the diploma.	provision, WHW	



Section B2: Programme specific – content of programme

9. Programme objectives, specializations and exit qualifications

Article 9.1 Workload

1.	The programme has a workload of 120 EC	Advise OLC;
		(7.13 a)

Article 9.2 Specializations

The programme has the following specializations:					
a) Dual variant;					
b) Professional track.					

Article 9.3 Programme objective

The programme aims to acquire sufficient knowledge, skills and insight within the field of	Advise OLC;
Business Analytics and any related disciplines to be able to operate as an independent	(7.13 a)
professional at graduate level, and to be a suitable candidate for a subsequent course of study	
leading to a career in research or development.	
Another aim of the programme is to develop students' understanding of the interrelationships	
between disciplines, as well as their sense of social responsibility.	

Article 9.4 Exit qualifications

1.		all events, a graduate of the study programme:	Approval
	Х	has knowledge about advanced methods in a broad field of mathematics and computer science as applied to commercial and industrial processes;	OLC (7.13 c)
	Х	has experience in conducting applied research in a branch of mathematics and computer science in a multidisciplinary business context;	
	Х	is capable of gaining a working knowledge of other relevant branches of mathematics and computer science within a reasonable period of time;	
	Х	is capable of formulating a plan for a research project based on a realistic research question;	
	Х	is able to analyse and formulate research results, draw conclusions from them, and present these conclusions (in English) so that even non-specialists are able to comprehend them;	
	Х	is capable of independent and critical reflection on his/her own and others' work in accordance with relevant frameworks of applicability;	
	Х	is capable of writing a report in English on his/her own research that meets the prevailing academic standards in the fields of mathematics and computer science;	
	Х	is capable of participating in discussions on field-specific topics of interest, in English and potentially in another language or languages;	
	Х	is capable of studying the professional literature (including international publications) in relevant branches of mathematics and computer science, and of utilizing the relevant content;	
	Х	has experience in modelling complex business processes using advanced methods from mathematics and computer science;	
	Х	is capable of working in a multidisciplinary team and, more specifically, has sufficient knowledge of the theory and practice in the field of business economics to communicate and collaborate with experts in these areas;	
	Х	has sufficient knowledge and understanding of the societal role of mathematics and computer science to decide on a responsible choice of profession and professional practice.	



10. Curriculum structure

Article 10.1 Composition of the programme

1.	The programme comprises at least a package of compulsory components and an individual Master's thesis or academic internship.	Ordinance CvB, see appendix 3
2.	Additionally the programme offers: - Constrained selection; - Electives	Advise OLC; (7.13 a)
3.	Educational components are categorized as specialized (400), research oriented (500) and highly specialized (600) level.	Ordinance CvB, see appendix 3
4.	The programme comprises at most three 300-level (advanced bachelor level) courses in total.	Advise OLC; (7.13 a

Article 10.2 Compulsory educational components

A detailed description per educational component can be found in the study guide.

Article 10.2a - Dual variant

Name of educational component	course code	nr of EC	level	Advise OLC;
Advanced Machine Learning	XM_0010	6	400	(7.13 a)
Applied Analysis: Financial Mathematics	X_400076	6	400	
Applied Stochastic Modeling	X_400392	6	400	
Data Mining Techniques	X_400108	6	500	
Dual Workperiod	XM_41010	12	500	
Master Project Business Analytics	X_400459	36	600	
Research Seminar Business Analytics	XM_0054	6	500	
Statistical Models	X_400418	6	400	

Article 10.2b - Professional Track

Name of educational component	course code	nr of EC	level	Advise OLC;
Advanced Machine Learning	XM_0010	6	400	(7.13 a)
Applied Analysis: Financial Mathematics	X_400076	6	400	
Applied Stochastic Modeling	X_400392	6	400	
Data Mining Techniques	X_400108	6	500	
Master Project Business Analytics	X_400459	36	600	
Project Optimization of Business Processes	X_400213	6	500	
Research Seminar Business Analytics	XM_0054	6	500	
Statistical Models	X_400418	6	400	

Article 10.3 Elective educational components Article 10.3a - Dual variant

1. The student can take one or more of the following electives without prior consent from the						
examination board:	examination board:					
Name of educational component (18 EC required)	course code	nr of EC	level			
Advanced Linear Programming	X_400326	6	400			
Asset Pricing	E_FIN_AP	6	400			
Continuous Optimization	X_400446	6	400			
Derivatives	E_FIN_DER	6	400			
Entrepreneurship in Data Science and Analytics	X_405122	6	400			
Evolutionary Computing	X_400111	6	400			
Financial Markets and Institutions	E_FIN_FMI	6	400			



Investments	E_EBE3_INVES	6	300		
Machine Learning for the Quantified Self	XM_40012	6	400		
Mathematical Optimization	XM_0051	6	400		
Mathematical Systems and Control Theory	X_400180	6	400		
Optimization of Business Processes	X_400422	6	400		
Performance of Networked Systems	X_405105	6	400		
Planning and Reinforcement Learning	XM_0055	6	400		
Project Optimization of Business Processes	X_400213	6	500		
Quantitative Financial Risk Management	E_FIN_QFRM	6	400		
Scheduling	X_400396	6	400		
Stochastic Optimization	X_400336	6	400		
Stochastic Processes for Finance	X_400352	6	400]	
2. If the student wishes to take a different educational component than listed, advance permission must be obtained in writing from the examination board.					

Article 10.3a – Professional track

1. The student can take one or more of the following electives without prior consent from the examination board:							
Name of educational component (24 EC Required) course code nr of EC level							
Advanced Linear Programming	X_400326	6	400				
Asset Pricing	 E_FIN_AP	6	400	-			
Continuous Optimization	X_400446	6	400	-			
Derivatives	E_FIN_DER	6	400				
Entrepreneurship in Data Science and Analytics	X_405122	6	400	-			
Evolutionary Computing	X_400111	6	400				
Financial Markets and Institutions	E_FIN_FMI	6	400				
Investments	E_EBE3_INVES	6	300				
Machine Learning for the Quantified Self	XM_40012	6	400				
Mathematical Optimization	XM_0051	6	400				
Mathematical Systems and Control Theory	X_400180	6	400				
Optimization of Business Processes	X_400422	6	400				
Performance of Networked Systems	X_405105	6	400				
Planning and Reinforcement Learning	XM_0055	6	400				
Quantitative Financial Risk Management	E_FIN_QFRM	6	400				
Scheduling	X_400396	6	400				
Stochastic Optimization	X_400336	6	400				
Stochastic Processes for Finance	X_400352	6	400				
2. If the student wishes to take a different educational permission must be obtained in writing from the ex-	-	ed, advance		Advise OLC; (7.13 a)			

Article 10.4 Practical exercise Not applicable.

Article 10.5 Participation in practical training and tutorials Not applicable.



11. Evaluation and transitional provisions

Article 11.1 Evaluation of the education

The education provided in this programme is evaluated in accordance with the (attached)	Approval OLC
evaluation plan. The faculty evaluation plan offers the framework.	(7.13 a1)

Article	11.2	Transitional	provisions
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By way of departure from the Teaching and Examination Regulations currently in force, the	
following transitional provisions apply for students who started the programme under a previous	(7.13 a)
set of Teaching and Examination Regulations: Not applicable.	

Advice and approval by the Programme Committee of Mcs Business Analytics, on 3 June 2019.

Approved by the Faculty Joint Assembly, on (date) 3 September 2019.

Adopted by the board of the Faculty of Science on 30 August 2019.



Appendix I Overview of articles that must be included in the OER

Based on Section 7.13, paragraph 2, of the WHW and other Sections of the Act.

Section B1: Programme specific – general provisions				
6. General programme information and characteristics				
Article 6.1 Study programme information	7.13 paragraph 2 sub i, r			
Article 6.2 Teaching formats used and modes of assessment	7.13 paragraph 2 sub l, x			
[option:] Article 6.3 Academic student counselling 7.13 paragraph 2 sub				
7. Further admission requirements				
Article 7.2 Admission requirements 7.30b paragraph 2				
8. Interim examinations and results				
Article 8.1 Sequence of interim examinations	7.13 paragraph 2 sub h, s, t			
[option 1:] Article 8.2 Validity period for results	7.13 paragraph 2 sub k			
[option 2:] Article 8.2 Validity period for results	7.13 paragraph 2 sub k			

Section B2: Programme specific – content of programme

9. Programme objectives, specializations and exit qualifications				
Article 9.1 Workload	.1 Workload 7.13 paragraph 2 sub g			
Article 9.2 Specializations	7.13 paragraph 2 sub a			
Article 9.3 Programme objective	7.13 paragraph 2 sub a			
Article 9.4 Exit qualifications	7.13 paragraph 2 sub b, c			
10. Curriculum structure				
Article 10.1 Composition of the programme	7.13 paragraph 2 sub a			
Article 10.2 Compulsory educational components	7.13 paragraph 2 sub a			
[Optional] Article 10.3 Elective educational components	7.13 paragraph 2 sub a			
[Optional] Article 10.4 Practical exercise	7.13 paragraph 2 sub d			
Article 10.5 Participation in practical training and tutorials	7.13 paragraph 2 sub d			
11. Evaluation and transitional provisions				
Article 11.1 Evaluation of the education	7.13 paragraph 2 sub a1			
Article 11.2 Transitional provisions	7.13 paragraph 2 sub a			



Appendix II Overview of rights to prior consultation (advice) and rights to approve OLC and FGV

(Dutch only)

Onderwerpen Onderwijs – en Examenregeling (OER) 7.13 paragraph 2 WHW		FGV		OplC	
		Α	Ι	Α	
a. de inhoud van de opleiding en van de daaraan verbonden examens					
a1. de wijze waarop het onderwijs in de desbetreffende opleiding wordt geëvalueerd					
b. de inhoud van de afstudeerrichtingen binnen een opleiding					
c. de kwaliteiten op het gebied van kennis, inzicht en vaardigheden die een student zich bij					
beëindiging van de opleiding moet hebben verworven					
d. waar nodig, de inrichting van praktische oefeningen					
e. de studielast van de opleiding en van elk van de daarvan deel uitmakende onderwijseenheden					
f. de nadere regels, bedoeld in de artikelen 7.8b, zesde lid, en 7.9, vijfde lid (BSA)					
g. ten aanzien van welke masteropleidingen toepassing is gegeven aan artikel 7.4a, achtste lid					
(verhoogde studielast)					
h. het aantal en de volgtijdelijkheid van de tentamens alsmede de momenten waarop deze					
afgelegd kunnen worden					
i. de voltijdse, deeltijdse of duale inrichting van de opleiding					
j. waar nodig, de volgorde waarin, de tijdvakken waarbinnen en het aantal malen per studiejaar					
dat de gelegenheid wordt geboden tot het afleggen van de tentamens en examens					
k. waar nodig, de geldigheidsduur van met goed gevolg afgelegde tentamens, behoudens de					
bevoegdheid van de examencommissie die geldigheidsduur te verlengen					
l. of de tentamens mondeling, schriftelijk of op een andere wijze worden afgelegd, behoudens de					
bevoegdheid van de examencommissie in bijzondere gevallen anders te bepalen					
m. de wijze waarop studenten met een handicap of chronische ziekte redelijkerwijs in de					
gelegenheid worden gesteld de tentamens af te leggen					
n. de openbaarheid van mondeling af te nemen tentamens, behoudens de bevoegdheid van de					
examencommissie in bijzondere gevallen anders te bepalen					
o. de termijn waarbinnen de uitslag van een tentamen bekend wordt gemaakt alsmede of en op welke wijze van deze termijn kan worden afgeweken					
p. de wijze van deze termijn gedurende welke degene die een schriftelijk tentamen heeft					
afgelegd, inzage verkrijgt in zijn beoordeelde werk					
q. de wijze waarop en de termijn gedurende welke kennis genomen kan worden van vragen en					
opdrachten, gesteld of gegeven in het kader van een schriftelijk afgenomen tentamen en van de					
normen aan de hand waarvan de beoordeling heeft plaatsgevonden					
r. de gronden waarop de examencommissie voor eerder met goed gevolg afgelegde tentamens of					
examens in het hoger onderwijs, dan wel voor buiten het hoger onderwijs opgedane kennis of					
vaardigheden, vrijstelling kan verlenen van het afleggen van een of meer tentamens					
s. waar nodig, dat het met goed gevolg afgelegd hebben van tentamens voorwaarde is voor de					
toelating tot het afleggen van andere tentamens					
t. waar nodig, de verplichting tot het deelnemen aan praktische oefeningen met het oog op de					
toelating tot het afleggen van het desbetreffende tentamen, behoudens de bevoegdheid van de					
examencommissie vrijstelling van die verplichting te verlenen, al dan niet onder oplegging van					
vervangende eisen					
u. de bewaking van studievoortgang en de individuele studiebegeleiding					
v. indien van toepassing: de wijze waarop de selectie van studenten voor een speciaal traject binnen een opleiding, bedoeld in artikel 7.9b, plaatsvindt (<i>excellentietraject binnen een</i>					
opleiding)					
x. de feitelijke vormgeving van het onderwijs					
alle overige onderwerpen die in de OER zijn geregeld maar die niet als zodanig zijn genoemd in					
art. 7.13 WHW onder a t/m x.					
De lettering komt overeen met de lettering van artikel 7.12 lid 2 WHW					

De lettering komt overeen met de lettering van artikel 7.13 lid 2 WHW



Appendix III Ordinances VU CvB and Binding Guidelines

Section B1, article:	Concerns:	CvB ordinance / guideline
7.2.1	Admission criteria; at least WO Bachelor's	Richtlijn Bachelor en Masteronderwijs, revised
	degree	on 6 June 2017
7.2.3	Additional admission criteria; type of criteria	Richtlijn Bachelor en Masteronderwijs, revised
		on 6 June 2017
Section B1, article:	Concerns:	CvB ordinance / guideline
10.1	Composition programme	Richtlijn Bachelor en Masteronderwijs, revised
		on 6 June 2017
10.2	Categorization of components	Richtlijn Bachelor en Masteronderwijs, revised
		on 6 June 2017

