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**Fachstudienordnung (Subject-Specific Study Regulations)
for the Master's Degree Course
'Landscape Architecture and Greenspace Management'
at Hochschule Neubrandenburg: University of Applied Sciences
of 16 November 2018**

Based on the *Rahmenprüfungsordnung* (Framework Examination Regulations - RPO) at Hochschule Neubrandenburg: University of Applied Sciences (hereinafter UAS Neubrandenburg) of 16 August 2017, in combination with § 2(1) and 38(1) of the *Landeshochschulgesetz* (State Higher Education Law), in the version made public on 25 January 2011 (GVOBl. M-V p. 18), last amended by Article 3 of the law of 11 July 2016 (GVOBl. M-V p. 550, 557), UAS Neubrandenburg hereby passed the following *Fachstudienordnung* (hereinafter Subject-Specific Study Regulations) for the master's degree course 'Landscape Architecture and Greenspace Management' as statute.

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§ 1 Scope of Application

Based on the *Fachprüfungsordnung* (hereinafter Subject-Specific Examination Regulations) for the master's degree course 'Landscape Architecture and Greenspace Management' at UAS Neubrandenburg, these Subject-Specific Study Regulations stipulate the contents and structure of the degree course, including the periods of professional practice (internship semester).

§ 2 Study Goals

(1) The goal of the master's degree course 'Landscape Architecture and Greenspace Management', which is taught in English, is to teach students the basics of natural and social sciences, planning, technical and artistic skills, to school the students' ability to work in teams and on interdisciplinary topics, as well as to strengthen their skills for independent academic and technical work in the field of applied research and for applying academic and technical findings and methods to the professional field of landscape architecture and greenspace management.

(2) The master's degree should help develop a conscience for problems relating to society and planning and enable students to make expert decisions.

§ 3 Start of Studies

(1) Studies for the standard length of study of two semesters (Path A) can only be started in winter semester. Studies for the four-semester master's degree (Path B) can only be started in summer semester.

(2) Students must enrol during the dates stipulated every year by UAS Neubrandenburg's administration. Study applicants, who have not gained a German higher education entrance qualification or have not previously completed a degree course at a tertiary education institution in Germany, must apply via the online portal of UNI-ASSIST. All other study applicants must apply online via UAS Neubrandenburg's application portal.

§ 4 Organisation of Studies

(1) The degree is split into either two (Path A) or four semesters (Path B). 30 credit points pursuant to the European Credit Transfer System (ECTS) are awarded per semester, therefore a total of 60 credit points in the two-semester master's degree or 120 credit points in the four-semester master's degree. One credit point corresponds to a student workload of 30 hours for both tuition and self-study.

(2) The degree is divided into modules. Modules are self-contained units of teaching that combine similar course content. Successful completion of a module is documented by a module examination, which must be passed in order to receive the credits for the module.

(3) The modules provided in each semester are stipulated in the course schedule, which is a component of these Subject-Specific Study regulations, as Appendix 1.

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Structure and Contents of the Degree

(1) The degree with a standard length of study of two semesters is structured as follows (see Appendix 1):

1. The modules ' Greenspace Management', ' Maintenance of Green Spaces' and ' Landscape Structures' must be taken in the first semester. Two further modules must be selected from the list of compulsory elective modules in Appendix 1.
2. The master's dissertation must usually be completed in the second semester. The writing-up period for the master's dissertation is four months. Students can only successfully complete their studies if they have passed the master's dissertation and attended the master's colloquium.

(2) The degree with a standard length of study of four semesters is structured as follows (see Appendix 1):

1. The modules ' Dendrology and Planting Design', ' Landscaping and Materials' and ' German for International Students' or ' Foreign Language 1' must be completed in the first semester. In the second semester, students must take the modules described in sub-section 1, number 1, and two further modules from the list of compulsory elective modules in Appendix 1.
2. The third semester is an internship semester. It complements the academic training and increases the practical side of the degree. The internship semester must last at least 20 weeks. It consists of an internship that is to be completed at a landscape architecture office or corresponding planning office or at an authority or otherwise suited company after approval has been granted from the module's Internship Officer, as well as preparations and follow-up work at the university. A total of 30 credit points are awarded for the internship semester. More details are stipulated in the Internship Regulations, which are a component of these Subject-Specific Study Regulations, as Appendix 3.
3. The fourth semester shall usually be used for writing and defending the master's dissertation in accordance with sub-section 1, number 2, sentences 2 and 3.

(3) The modules have a scope of six credit points. This does not apply to the internship semester in the four-semester master's degree that is equal to 30 credit points, or the master's dissertation with colloquium with a scope of 30 (22 + 8) credit points.

(4) The module descriptions in Appendix 2 contain detailed information about the modules (contents, qualification objectives, prerequisites, workload, and the preliminary assessed work for examinations and examinations).

§ 6 Study Advice

(1) Students are entitled to study advice during their studies. The Faculty's Dean of Studies strives to ensure that the students receive adequate supervision and advice.

(2) Questions regarding the Subject-Specific Examination Regulations, such as examinations, dates by which examinations must be completed, recognition of examinations etc will be answered by the chairperson of the Examination Board, or his/her deputy.

(3) The members of teaching staff in the degree course 'Landscape Architecture and Greenspace Management' can be consulted during their office hours for any questions regarding the degree course.

§ 7 Entry into Force

(1) These Subject-Specific Study Regulations shall enter into force on the day after they have been made public within the university.

(2) These Subject-Specific Study Regulations shall apply for the first time to students who have enrolled for the master's degree course 'Landscape Architecture and Greenspace Management' in summer semester 2019. They also apply from this point onwards to enrolled students studying 'Landscape Architecture and Greenspace Management' at UAS Neubrandenburg, if the students have requested this from the Examination Board via the Examination Office. The request for these Subject-Specific Examination Regulations to apply is irreversible. If this is the case, examinations that were completed in accordance with the previous Subject-Specific Examination Regulations shall be recognised.

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