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**INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS
ADMINISTRATION &
ENTREPRENEURSHIP**

FAQ ON FINAL THESES
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These FAQ target students at the Leuphana College who major in International Business Administration & Entrepreneurship (IBAE). Therefore, these FAQ only cover questions that relate to the specificities of the major. For more general questions on procedural, administrative, and legal issues, you may refer to the general assessment regulations (RPO), IBAE's study regulations (FSA), and the [Student Counselling Service](#) of the Leuphana College. For content-related or methodological questions, you may refer to your supervisor and discuss these questions in your bachelor colloquium.

1. AM I FREE TO CHOOSE ANY TOPIC?

Students who major in IBAE must choose topic that is situated within the scope of the study program. The program's curriculum indicates which topics are eligible.

2. AM I ALLOWED TO COMPOSE MY FINAL THESIS IN GERMAN?

No. IBAE's assessment language is English. Therefore, final theses must be composed in English.

3. WHO MAY SUPERVISE MY FINAL THESIS?

[Here](#), you find a list of lecturers who are particularly prone to supervising IBAE topics. However, all lecturers at the Faculty of Business and Economics who are situated in the area of business administration are potential supervisors of your final thesis.

It is also possible to be supervised by lecturers from other universities if they teach in the area of IBAE, and practitioners may serve as second supervisors under certain conditions. The general assessment regulations (RPO) as well as the [Student Counselling Service](#) of the Leuphana College provide directions in this regard.

4. CAN I ALSO WRITE MY THESIS IN MY MINOR?

It is possible to be supervised by a lecturer who teaches in your minor. However, even then, the chosen topic must be situated within the scope of the IBAE major (see #1). IBAE's program director must confirm that your chosen topic complies with this regulation. You may ask for confirmation via email to ibae@leuphana.de. Furthermore, that your minor is German-speaking does not undermine IBAE's assessment language (see #2): Your final thesis must be composed in English.

5. I HAVE ALREADY FOUND A SUPERVISOR. DO I HAVE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE SUPERVISOR-MATCHING PROCEDURE AT THE FACULTY OF BUSINESS AND ECONOMICS?

Yes. You will be asked to participate in, and receive detailed instructions on the procedure via email. Deadlines for participation are March 15 and September 15.

6. WHICH BACHELOR COLLOQUIUMS CAN I CHOOSE?

It is useful to participate in the bachelor colloquium that your supervisor offers. If your supervisor does not offer a colloquium, you may look out for closely affiliated ones that colleagues in the same department (called "institutes") offer. In addition, in each summer term, the IBAE program typically includes a bachelor colloquium that is open for all IBAE students. This colloquium offers to generate feedback that is sensitive to IBAE topics. However, you may participate in any bachelor colloquium that is not closed for IBAE students, even when the desired colloquium is conducted in German.