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2. Revised Subject-specific Schedule 5.2 Staatswissenschaften – Public Economics, Law & Politics to the General Assessment Regulations for Arts and Sciences Masters Programme at Leuphana University Lüneburg Graduate School

Pursuant to the second sentence of section 44 par. 1 NHG [Lower Saxony University Act], the Faculty Council of the Faculty of Business Studies and Economics at Leuphana University Lüneburg approved the following revision of Subject-specific Schedule 5.2 Staatswissenschaften – Public Economics, Law and Politics Major of 01 July 2009 (Leuphana Gazette no. 19/09 of 09 December 2009) to the General Assessment Regulations for Masters Programmes at Leuphana University Lüneburg Graduate School of 21 May 2014 (Leuphana Gazette no. 13/14 of 27 June 2014) on 11 February 2015. The Presidential Committee approved the revised version of the Subject-specific Schedule on 25 March 2015 pursuant to the third sentence of section 44 par. 1 and the third sentence of section 37 par. 1, no. 5 b) NHG.

Subject-specific Schedule 5.2 Staatswissenschaften – Public Economics, Law & Politics Major to the General Assessment Regulations for Arts & Sciences Masters Programmes at Leuphana University Lüneburg Graduate School

The General Assessment Regulations for Masters Programmes at Leuphana University Lüneburg Graduate School are hereby supplemented and detailed as follows:

Section 5 of the General Assessment Regulations: Degree titles

Master of Arts (M. A.)

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Overview of Staatswissenschaften – Public Economics, Law & Politics Major modules

4.	Masters Forum II 5 CP	Masters Dissertation 25 CP			
3.	Masters Forum I 5 CP	Advanced Modules**		Integration: Governance, Democracy and Public Policy 10 CP	<i>Complementary</i>
		Elective Module V 5 CP	Elective Module VI 5 CP		
2.	Methods of Public Economics, Law & Politics II 5 CP	Elective III 5 CP	Elective Module IV 5 CP	State, Market and Civil Society 10 CP	<i>Complementary</i>
1.	Methods of Public Economics, Law & Politics I 5 CP	Elective I 5 CP	Elective II 5 CP	Fundamentals* Bridging Module I 5 CP Bridging Module II 5 CP	<i>Complementary</i>

* Students are assigned 2 modules out of 6. The first classes in the bridging module give students an introduction to public economics, law and politics from the perspective of the relevant discipline; these classes are mandatory for all students.

** Choice: 6 out of 12 modules including at least one module from each of the following disciplines: politics, economics and law.

	Fundamentals of economics, politics and law
	Advanced modules
	Integration
	Masters Forum/Research Perspectives; Masters dissertation

The **Foundation Modules** (10 CP) are two introductory "bridging modules" that teach students the fundamentals of those disciplines which they have not studied or not studied in sufficient depth in their previous degree (politics, law or economics).

- Concepts of Political Science (Ma-PELP-1a)
- Government and Politics (Ma-PELP-1b)
- International Law (Ma-PELP-1c)
- Public Law and Economy (Ma-PELP-1d)
- Macroeconomics (Ma-PELP-1e)
- Microeconomics (Ma-PELP-1f)

The **Advanced Modules** (30 CP) are designed to teach in-depth competences in the disciplines involved in the major: politics, economics and law.

Advanced politics module

- Theories and Methods of Comparative Political Science (Ma-PELP-2a)
- Theories of Democracy (Ma-PELP-4a)

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- International Relations and Democracy (Ma-PELP-7a)

Advanced law module

- European Law (Ma-PELP-2b)
- Public Economic Law (Ma-PELP-4b)
- Constitutional Theory and Law (Ma-PELP-7b)

Advanced economics module

- Public Economics I: Public Finance and Policy (Ma-PELP-2d)
- Public Economics II: International Economics and Trade Policy (Ma-PELP-4d)
- Public Economics III: Labor Market and Social Policy (Ma-PELP-7d)

Advanced development theory and policy module

- Economic Development: Theory, Policy and Evidence (Ma-PELP-2c)
- Applications and Cases in International Development I (Ma-PELP-4c)
- Applications and Cases in International Development II (Ma-PELP-7c)
- Students need to take at least one module from each of the following disciplines: politics, economics and law. The remaining modules can be chosen individually and combined independently.

The **Integration Modules** (20 CP) comprise two comprehensive, research-centred mandatory modules in which students work together to explore selected issues and problems in the field of political science from the perspective of at least two disciplines.

- State, Market and Civil Society (Ma-PELP-5)
- Governance, Democracy and Public Policy (Ma-PELP-8)

The **Masters Forum / Research Perspectives** (45 CP) modules address methods in public economics, law and politics. They also prepare students for the practical demands of research in political science and provide them with support in drafting their Masters dissertations. Student must take the following mandatory modules:

- Methods of Public Economics, Law and Politics I (Ma-PELP-3)
- Methods of Public Economics, Law and Politics II (Ma-PELP-6)
- Masters Forum I (Ma-PELP-9)
- Masters Forum II (Ma-PELP-10)
- Masters Dissertation (Ma-PELP-11)

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Table of Staatswissenschaften – Public Economics, Law & Politics Major modules

Module	Content	Types of taught-components (type and number of course, CH)	Module requirements	CP	Commentary
1st Semester					
Concepts of Political Science (Ma-PELP-1a) Fundamentals (Bridging Module)	Basic political science concepts; the origins and development of the discipline and how it relates to the development of governments, policy and civil society; the internal structure of the key fields and subfields of the discipline; the relationship between political science and other disciplines; basic paradigms and controversies in political science; theoretical and methodological approaches to research in political science	1 Lecture (2 CH) or 1 Seminar (2 CH)	1 combined assessment or 1 written paper	5	
Government and Politics (Ma-PELP-1b) Fundamentals (Bridging Module)	Institutional structure and functions of political systems; government and political processes at a national, regional and local level; types of government; the legislature, executive and judiciary of modern political systems; the constitution, citizenship and political culture; political parties, pressure groups and social movements; political participation, discussion and decision-making; public policy and forms of government; the relationship between government and administration; nation states and international relations	1 Lecture (2 CH) or 1 Seminar (2 CH)	1 combined assessment or 1 written paper	5	Generally in English
International Law (Ma-PELP-1c) Fundamentals (Bridging Module)	Introduction to the central issues and fields of general international law: (i) International legal personality, (ii) Sources of international law, (iii) National law (status under international law, legal relations between states and nations' right of self-determination) and (iv) Introduction to the law of international organizations, including peacekeeping and dispute resolution.	1 Lecture (2 CH) or 1 Seminar (2 CH)	1 written examination or 1 written paper	5	Generally in English
Public Law and the Economy (Ma-PELP-1d) Fundamentals (Bridging Module)	Introduction to the central issues and fields of general international law: (i) International legal personality, (ii) Sources of international law, (iii) National law (status under international law, legal relations between states and nations' right of self-determination) and (iv) Introduction to the law of international organisations, including peacekeeping and dispute resolution.	1 Lecture (2 CH) or 1 Seminar (2 CH)	1 written examination (120 Min.) or 1 written paper	5	

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Macroeconomics (Ma-PELP-1e) Fundamentals (Bridging Module)	Fundamentals of macroeconomic analysis. Topics include: national accounts, the macroeconomic theory of production, the theory of aggregate supply, the theory of aggregate demand, the fundamentals of monetary theory and a basic model of macroeconomic equilibrium.	1 Lecture (2 CH) or 1 Seminar (2 CH)	1 written examination (60 Min.)	5	
Microeconomics (Ma-PELP-1f) Fundamentals (Bridging Module)	This module familiarises students with the economic approach to analysing the behaviour of market players (people and companies). The focus is on supply and demand decisions, how commodities markets operate and the role of state economic intervention.	1 Lecture (2 CH) or 1 Seminar (2 CH)	1 written examination (60 Min.) or 1 written paper	5	Generally in English
Theories and Methods of Comparative Political Science (Ma-PELP-2a) Advanced level of Political Science (Elective)	There are two main blocks in this course; the first explores methodology and the second concepts and theories. The first half of the module covers the basic principles of social science methodology including hypothesising, concepts, operationalisation, comparative methodology and general research design. In the second half of the module, the main theoretical approaches to comparative political research from the past 30 years are introduced and discussed.	1 Lecture (2 CH) or 1 Seminar (2CH)	1 combined assessment or 1 written paper	5	Generally in English
European Law (Ma-PELP-2b) Advanced level of Law (Elective)	An overview of the emergence and development of European law and institutions: (i) Sources of EU law, (ii) Division of competences between the EU and Member States in the light of the principle of subsidiarity, (iii) Legislative procedures and other tools, (iv) Fundamental freedoms and the general prohibition of discrimination, (v) EU budget/sources of finance.	1 Lecture (2 CH) or 1 Seminar (2 CH)	1 written examination (60 Min.) or 1 written paper	5	Generally in English
Economic Development: Theory, Policy and Evidence (Ma-PELP-2c) Advanced level of Development Theory and Policy (Elective)	This course covers the fundamentals and concepts of economics and political science that are particularly relevant to understanding development problems. The main types of problems discussed are poverty, inequality, unemployment, population growth and destruction of the environment. The course also focuses on development policy and selected case studies, and the specific economic characteristics of the selected developing countries.	1 Lecture (2 CH) or 1 Seminar (2 CH)	1 written examination (60 Min.) or 1 combined assessment	5	

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Public Economics I: Public Finance and Public Policy (Ma-PELP-2d) Advanced level of Economics (Elective)	This course covers the broad field of state intervention in market systems. Students will learn about the economic justifications for such intervention (allocative inefficiencies, stabilisation targets and distributive justice) and the main areas of economic policy (public finances, fiscal policy and monetary policy). Students will discuss the objectives of economic policy in these areas and the tools available to achieve those objectives.	1 Lecture (2 CH) or 1 Seminar (2 CH)	1 combined assessment	5	Generally in English
Methods of Public Economics, Law & Politics I (Ma-PELP-3) Masters Forum/ Research perspectives (Compulsory)	Fundamental mathematical and statistical/econometric empirical analytical methods used in the quantitative analysis of models in the field of public economics, law and politics.	1 Lecture (2 CH)* or 1 Seminar (2 CH)*	1 written examination (60 min.) or 1 combined assessment	5	Generally in English
2nd Semester					
Theories of Democracy (Ma-PELP-4a) Advanced level of Political Science (Elective)	Classical and modern theories of democracy; normative and empirical-analytical theories of democracy; a comparison of theories of democracy; democracy theory concepts and analytical approaches to political analysis; challenges and perspectives of democracy theory	1 Lecture (2 CH)* or 1 Seminar (2 CH)*	1 written paper or 1 combined assessment	5	
Public Economic Law (Ma-PELP-4b) Advanced level of Law (Elective)	The role of the Basic Law for the Federal Republic of Germany in terms of the economic constitution (an in-depth exploration of basic constitutional rights with economic implications); roles and objectives in public economic law (industrial law, trade law, etc.); the organisation of economic administration in Germany and the EU; overview of fundamental freedoms under the TEU; discussion of current questions of European and international economic law	1 Seminar (2 CH)	1 written paper or 1 combined assessment	5	

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Applications and Cases in International Development I (Ma-PELP-4c) Advanced level of Development Theory and Policy (Elective)	This course introduces students to concepts for and approaches to analysing the problems and challenges facing states with moderate to low income. It explores case studies on a range of topics, including the problems of good governance and economic growth; microfinance; education; child labour; trade policy; pension reform; the sustainable management of common-pool resources and the reform and democratisation of political institutions.	1 Lecture (2 CH) or 1 Seminar (2 CH)	1 written examination (60 Min.) or 1 combined assessment	5	Generally in English
Public Economics II: International Economics and Trade Policy (Ma-PELP-4d) Advanced level of Economics (Elective)	The course starts by discussing forms of the international division labour and their implications for those involved (people and companies), and goes on to analyse the reasons for and implications of state intervention (customs, quotas, subsidies, etc.). The course also explores international institutions and global trade agreements.	1 Lecture (2 CH) or 1 Seminar (2 CH)	1 written examination (60 Min.) or 1 written paper	5	Generally in English
State, Market and Civil Society (Ma-PELP-5) Integration (Compulsory)	Integrative and interdisciplinary evaluation of selected areas and questions of political science; analysis of the structure and fundamental mechanisms of the factors in the social framework: the state, the market and civil society; an exploration of structural, process and functional differences and commonalities between state, market and civil society	1 Lecture (4 CH) or 1 Seminar (4 CH) or 1 Seminar (2 CH) and 1 Seminar (2 CH)	1 written examination (90 Min.) or 1 combined assessment	10	Generally in English
Methods of Public Economics, Law & Politics II (Ma-PELP-6) Masters Forum/ Research perspectives (Compulsory)	The fundamental theory and methodology of public law and political science with a focus on qualitative and interpretative methods in political and legal studies; fundamental methodology and concepts for the analysis and interpretation of state activities and their interaction with law; basic methodological paradigms and controversies in the field of interpretative research in public law; a range of methods for interpreting and applying legal principles and rules; comparative law approaches; qualitative and quantitative empirical research methods and case studies in political science; the knowledge required for research design.	1 Lecture (2 CH)* or 1 Seminar (2 CH)	1 written paper or 1 combined assessment	5	Generally in English Joint teaching: One teacher for each sector (Political Science and Law) (each 1 academic hours per week)

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3rd Semester					
International Relations and Democracy (Ma-PELP-7a) Advanced level of Political Science (Elective)	The module explores theoretical and empirical aspects of international relations and democracy. It looks at current developments and challenges to explore interaction between the national and the international, and the conditions of democratic governance beyond the nation state.	1 Lecture (2 CH) or 1 Seminar (2 CH)	1 written paper or 1 combined assessment	5	Generally in English
Constitutional Theory and Law (Ma-PELP-7b) Advanced level of Law (Elective)	Core aspects of constitutional theory and principles of constitutional law: constitutional interpretation; state structures and objectives of the Federal Republic of Germany; role of the Federal Government; the reform of federalism; the highest federal bodies; constitutional links to European law; a discussion of the latest state organisation challenges	1 Seminar (2 CH)	1 written paper or 1 combined assessment	5	
Application and Cases in International Development II (Ma-PELP-7c) Advanced level of Development Theory and Policy (Elective)	This course takes a more in-depth look at concepts for and approaches to analysing the problems and challenges facing states with moderate to low income. It explores case studies on a range of topics, including the problems of good governance and economic growth; microfinance; education; child labour; trade policy; pension reform; the sustainable management of common-pool resources and the reform and democratisation of political institutions.	1 Lecture (2 CH) or 1 Seminar (2 Ch)	1 written examination (60 Min.) or 1 combined assessment	5	Generally in English
Public Economics III: Labor Market and Social Policy (Ma-PELP-7d) Advanced level of Economics (Elective)	Fundamental theory of the labour market and social policy (reasons for political interventions, different forms and effects); redistribution, taxation and social security; economic analysis of specific labour market policies such as unemployment benefit, pensions, minimum wages, unions and works councils; economic analysis of specific social policy such as health insurance, education and the family; micro-economic political evaluation; comparison of countries' labour market and social policy.	1 Lecture (2 CH) or 1 Seminar (2 CH)	1 written examination (60 Min.) or 1 combined assessment	5	

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Governance, Democracy and Public Policy (Ma-PELP-8) Integration (Compulsory module)	Integrative and interdisciplinary evaluation of selected governance issues; analysis of the structural and process requirements, fundamental mechanisms and implications and effects of governance in the light of political and/or economic and/or legal theories and methods. The potential for and limits to disciplinary and interdisciplinary analysis of the interplay between governance, democracy and policy.	1 Lecture (4 CH) or 1 Seminar (4 CH) or 1 Seminar (2 CH)* and 1 Seminar (2 CH)	1 written examination (90 Min.) or 1 written paper	10	
Masters forum I (Ma-PELP-9) Masters forum/ Research perspectives (Compulsory)	The latest questions, problems and research approaches (theories, methods, research designs, etc.) in selected disciplinary and interdisciplinary areas of political science; preparation for developing, planning, organising and completing Masters dissertations in the field of public economics, law and politics.	1 Seminar (2 CH)	1 written paper or 1 combined assessment	5	Generally in English
4th Semester					
Masters forum II (Ma-PELP-10) Masters forum/ Research perspectives (Compulsory)	Support in designing, planning, organising and completing Masters dissertations in the field of public economics, law and politics or in individual sub-fields; approaches to developing new research questions, producing research designs and conducting research projects.	1 Colloquium (2 CH)	1 written paper or 1 combined assessment	5	Generally in English
Master's Thesis (Ma-PELP-11) Masters forum/ Research perspectives (Compulsory)	Individual completion of the Masters dissertation by each student.	none	1 Masters dissertation and 1 oral examination	25	

Section 28 of the General Assessment Regulations

Five months are allowed for the Masters dissertation. An oral examination (Section 7 General Assessment Regulations) in which the candidate presents his or her Masters dissertation and responds to critical questions from the examiners is an integral part of the Masters dissertation. The grade for the oral examination shall be included in the overall grade for the Masters dissertation and shall be worth one fifth of said overall grade.

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Entry into force

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