

Supplementary Study and Examination Regulations

for the Undergraduate Program

B.A. Theology/Development Studies (TDS)

On the basis of § 32 of the Law on Universities in the State of Baden-Württemberg (Landeshochschulgesetz – LHG), last amended by the Third Law on the Amendment of Higher Education Regulations (Drittes Hochschulrechtsänderungsgesetz – 3. HRÄG), dated April 1, 2014 (GBl. dated April 8, 2014, p. 99), the Senate of the International Hochschule Liebenzell adopted the following course-specific regulations on March 9, 2022.

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The Rector has given his approval to this version of the course-specific regulations on June 25, 2025.

Changes that only affect the structure of the study program and the conduct of examinations can be decided by the examination board. All other changes require the approval of the senate.

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§ 1 Scope and coverage

The supplementary study and examination regulations apply to the undergraduate program Theology/ Development Studies (TDS). They are valid in the current version. The study concept B.A. TDS in the currently valid version is part of these regulations.

§ 2 Degree

- (1) Successful completion of the program results in the degree of Bachelor of Arts in Theology/ Development Studies.
- (2) Proof of 240 ECTS credit points must be provided for the completion of the degree program.
- (3) The overall grade of the Bachelor's examination is calculated from the arithmetic mean of the module grades. The graded modules of the lower division courses are weighted once, and those of the upper division studies and the Bachelor's thesis are weighted twice.

§ 3 International Degree Program

The undergraduate program in Theology/Development Studies (TDS) is an international program. The teaching language is generally English. Courses can also be taken in German if they are offered and if sufficient German language skills are demonstrated.

§ 4 Structure of the study program

- (1) The standard period of study is eight semesters, including lower division studies and upper division studies.
- (2) During the lower division studies, students should demonstrate their ability to successfully complete the program and show that they have acquired the fundamentals of the subject, as well as methodological tools and a systematic approach.
- (3) The lower division studies consist of compulsory modules. The upper division studies consist of a compulsory area and an elective area.
- (4) Compulsory modules must be completed with an examination. Elective modules may be completed with qualified participation only.
- (5) The number of exams required for program completion can be found in the current B.A. TDS study concept.
- (6) Students must provide proof that they have earned 150 ECTS credit points to register for the Bachelor's thesis.

§ 5 Internship

- (1) An internship semester is an obligatory part of the undergraduate program Theology/Development Studies, optionally in the fifth or sixth semester.
- (2) The internship semester should normally be completed abroad. The details are regulated in the course syllabus B2604 and Internship Regulations B.A. TDS. The internship semester is noted in the transcript of records.

§ 6 Study Abroad Semester

- (1) A mandatory component of the international B.A. program Theology/Development Studies (TDS) is a study abroad semester as well as the course B2021 Organizing a Study Abroad Semester.
- (2) The study abroad semester shall be completed either in the fifth or sixth regular semester.