



Reading Edition of the Admission Regulations for the Master's program in Earth and Climate System Science

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University of Hohenheim Admission Regulations for the Master's Program Earth and Climate System Science in the Faculty of Natural Sciences

§ 1 Scope of Application

- (1) These Regulations set down provisions for admission to the Master's Program Food Science and Technology.
- (2) In addition, the general provisions of the University of Hohenheim's Admission and Enrollment Regulations apply to the admission procedure.

§ 2 Deadline and form

- (1) Admission to the first subject-related semester is only to be granted for the respective winter semester. The application deadline is 15 March for international applicants and 15 May for German applicants (cut-off date).
- (2) The application for admission must be submitted electronically to the University of Hohenheim via the website of the University of Hohenheim (online application) in accordance with the requirements stated therein and with the submission of the required proof stated in § 4 by the application deadline stated in § 2(1). To avoid undue hardship, the University of Hohenheim's Examinations Office can forgo an electronic application and permit a written application. Proof of the admission requirements specified in § 4 is required for admission and must be submitted in paper form upon enrollment.
- (3) If the proof according to § 4 is not in German or English, a translation into German or English is required by a person or institution who is authorized to issue such translations by a court or by oath.
- (4) The University may require that the proof referred to in § 4 be submitted in the original or in officially certified form. Admission shall be refused if the documents do not meet the requirements, including the form, stipulated by the University.

§ 3 Responsibilities

- (1) The President of the University of Hohenheim decides on admission on the recommendation of the responsible selection committee.
- (2) A selection committee is appointed for the Master's program in Earth and Climate System Science. This selection committee consists of the program coordinator or the academic program adviser, at least two representatives of the professors, and one student member in an advisory capacity. The term of office is two years. Reappointment is permitted. Members are elected by the Faculty Council of the Faculty of Natural Sciences. One of the professorial members of the selection committee is the chairperson. The selection committee is quorate if, in addition to the chairperson or their deputy, one other member is present.
- (3) The selection committee decides by a simple majority of the members present; in the event of a tie, the chairperson has the casting vote. The meetings of the selection committee are not open to the public.

§ 4 Admission Requirements

- (1) Only those applicants who fulfill the following requirements can be admitted to the Master's program in Earth and Climate System Science:
 - a) a Bachelor's degree program with a natural science, geography or agricultural profile that lasted at least three years and included at least 180 credits at a university in Germany or abroad. In addition, the selection committee may recognize other degree programs as equivalent.
 - b) good English language skills (at least level B2 of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages), which – if it is not the applicant's native language – is usually demonstrated by a language test or other evidence in accordance with Annex 1,
- (2) The admission committee decides on the equivalence of admission requirements stated in §4(1). In recognizing grades and proof which were given outside of the Federal Republic of Germany, the equivalence agreements from the Standing Conference of the Ministers of Education and the German Rectors' Conference as well as agreements in the context of the university partnerships will be taken into consideration.
- (3) Applicants who have already been enrolled in the same Master's programs must provide proof that they have the right to be examined in this degree program and that they are not currently undergoing an examination procedure. The same applies to a related degree program. Proof must be provided by a certificate from the university or college at which the enrollment took place.
- (4) If the final degree certificate for the first degree is not yet available by the application deadline, an overview of the examination results available up to that point must be enclosed with the application for admission. The final degree certificate must be submitted no later than 15 December for the winter semester of the year for which admission is requested.
- (5) If 50% of the proof for the UNIcert II certificate (proof of English language proficiency) has been provided by the application deadline, the applicant can include the relevant proof with the application for admission. The complete UNIcert II certificate must be submitted no later than 1 October for the winter semester or 1 April for the summer semester of the year for which admission is requested.
- (6) In the case of § 4 (4 and 5), admission to the Master's degree program is subject to the proviso that proof of the degree and/or the UNIcert II certificate is provided by the deadline. If the proof is not submitted by the deadline, admission is revoked.

Attachment 1 on Sec. 4 Admission Requirements

Required language skills for the Master's Program in Earth and Climate System Science at the Faculty of Natural Sciences

(1) Good English language skills are required for admission. Proof of language proficiency may be given by providing one of the following documents:

- a) TOEFL test (internet based) with at least 90 out of 120 points
- b) IELTS certificate with at least 6.5 out of 9 points
- c) UNIcert II certificate (min. grade "good")

(2) Proof of sufficient language skills is not required if the applicant

- a) is a citizen of one of the following countries and declares that English as their native language: United Kingdom, Ireland, Australia, Canada, New Zealand, USA, Antigua and Barbuda, Bahamas, Barbados, Dominica, Grenada, Jamaica, St. Kitts and Nevis, St. Lucia, St. Vincent and the Grenadines, Trinidad and Tobago, Belize, or Guyana; or
- b) has successfully completed a Bachelor's/Master's degree in English at a recognized European university or in one of the countries listed under a). If the degree certificate has not yet been issued by the application deadline, § 5 applies accordingly; or
- c) attended a bilingual secondary school as long as one of the languages of instruction is English; or
- d) took English continuously as a subject in the upper secondary school (minimum grade of the grade average in the upper secondary school "satisfactory" (8 points)).

(3) If the required minimum grade according to 2.d cannot be demonstrated in the upper secondary school, this can be compensated for if the applicant

- a) completed at least 1 semester of the Bachelor's degree course in English; or
- b) completed at least a 3-month full-time internship in an English-speaking company.