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Faculty of Economic Sciences (responsible faculty):

On 17.07.2012, following the resolution passed by the Faculty Council of the Faculty of Economic Sciences dated 27.06.2012 and following an official statement by the Senate dated 11.07.2012, the Presidential Board of Georg-August-Universität approved the first amendment to the Study and Examination Regulations for the consecutive master programme in Economic Sciences in the version contained in the announcement dated 30.03.2012 (Official Announcements no. 11/2012, S. 423) (§ 44 (1) sentence 2 NHG in the version contained in the announcement dated 26.02.2007 (Nds. GVBl. S. 69), amended by Article 1 of the Act dated 20.06.2012 (Nds. GVBl. S. 186); § 41 section 2 sentence 2, § 37 section 1 sentence 3 no. 5 b), § 44 section 1 sentence 3 NHG).

Faculty of Economic Sciences (responsible faculty):

Following the resolutions passed by the Faculty Council of the Faculty of Economic Sciences dated 08.02.2012 and the express order by the Dean's Office of the Faculty for Agricultural Studies dated 07.03.2012, the Presidential Board of the Georg-August-Universität Göttingen approved the Study and Examination Regulations on 20.03.2012 for the consecutive master programme "Development Economics" (§ 44 section 1 sentence 2 NHG in the version of the announcement dated 26.02.2007 (Nds. GVBl. S. 69), amended by Article 12 of the Act dated 17.11.2011 (Nds. GVBl. S. 422); § 44 section 1 sentence 3, § 43 section 1 sentence 5 NHG, § 37 section 1 sentence 3 no. 5 NHG).

**Study and Examination Regulations
for the consecutive master's programme "Development Economics"
at the Georg-August-Universität Göttingen**

§ 1 Scope and faculties involved

(1) The provisions of the "General Examination Regulations for Bachelor's and Master's Degree Programmes as well as other Academic Programmes at the Georg-August-Universität Göttingen" (APO) as well as the "Framework Examination Regulations for Master's Programmes at the Faculty of Economic Sciences" apply to the consecutive master programme in "Development Economics" at Georg-August-Universität Göttingen.

(2) These regulations stipulate the additional provisions for the Master Programme degree.

(3) ¹The Master Programme in "Development Economics" is offered jointly by the Faculty of Economic Sciences and the Faculty of Agricultural Sciences. ²Umbrella faculty is the Faculty of Economic Sciences. ³The degree programme is taught in English.

§ 2 Aim of the qualification

¹Faced with the requirements and changes in the professional world, graduates should acquire the knowledge, skills and methods of economics and agricultural economics with a special focus on questions of development and should hence be in a position to produce independent academic work, to critically classify academic insight and to act within a responsible framework in addition to the general aims of the master programme defined in RPO-MA. ²They should therefore be equipped to launch a successful professional career or to progress to doctoral studies. ³Development economics is the term used to describe the specific field of economics that focuses on the developmental differences between individual countries. ⁴In this, the main emphasis is placed on developing countries, the economic reasons for underdevelopment and proposals for development policies. ⁵Agricultural economics plays a significant role in this context, for instance in solutions to the global food problems. ⁶Graduates are prepared for work in the occupational field of development policies and economy (including both research and practical development policies). ⁷In addition to academic careers, this includes above all national institutions within development cooperation (GIZ, KfW, ministry, other smaller organisations) and international organisations (World Bank, UN system, regional development banks, EU) in development cooperation.

§ 3 Recommended prior knowledge

¹In the master programme, it is very beneficial in particular to have established knowledge of the English language, mathematics, statistics and computer skills. ²Students whose credits in mathematics and statistics were not better than satisfactory in the course of their preliminary studies, and whose English and/or computer skills are low, are recommended to qualify themselves appropriately before taking on the master programme.

§ 4 Structure of the academic programme, contents of study and course of studies

(1) ¹The 120 C which must be completed over the standard course length of the master programme in Development Economics of four semesters are comprised as follows:

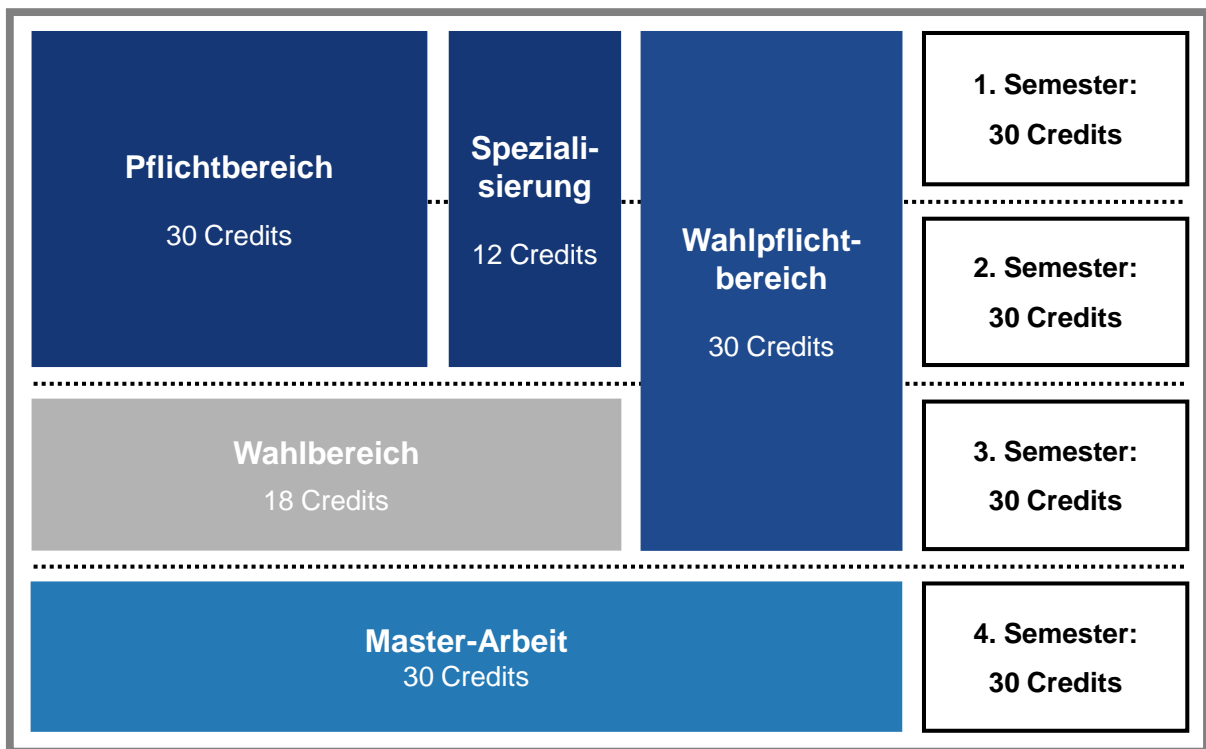
1. Compulsory part of the programme 30 C
2. Subject-specific specialisation 12 C
3. Optional required module 30 C
4. Optional area 18 C
5. Master thesis 30 C

²The compulsory modules, optional required modules and optional modules to be completed are specified in the module overview (appendix 1).

(2) ¹Prerequisite for the permission to write the master thesis is earning at least 30 C from the compulsory part of the programme. ²Time to complete the thesis is 20 weeks. ³30 credits are awarded for successful completion of the master thesis.

(3) ¹Study abroad for at least one semester at a foreign university is an integral part of the master programme in Development Economics for students who have acquired their university entrance qualification in the Federal Republic of Germany or in a country or a region in which German is the official language. ²During the stay abroad, study and examination components with a rating of 30 C should be completed as a rule; however, completion of components with a rating of at least 18 C should be proven and provided. ³The components must correspond essentially to the qualification standard of a master programme and may not be part of a module exam that has been passed or pending completion as part of this degree programme before the stay abroad. ⁴Transfer of examination components can be stipulated by conclusion of a "learning agreement" before the stay abroad. ⁵Upon application, the examination board can exempt students from the obligation to stay abroad, if a stay abroad has been proven in the preceding degree programme, in which at least 18 C were acquired. ⁶Exemption is also possible if the stay abroad is intended as part of the field research for the master thesis and this is confirmed by the academic advisor for the master thesis. ⁷Failed examination components as part of compulsory study abroad at a foreign university can be retaken at the University of Göttingen.

(4) The following graphic shows a schematic overview of the breakdown of the master programme in Development Economics:



§ 5 Amendments

¹Amendments to these study and examination regulations will be decided on by the Faculty Council of the Faculty of Economic Sciences. ²Before any corresponding resolutions are passed, the Faculty Council of the Faculty of Agricultural Economy must be given suitable opportunity for deliberations.

§ 6 Double Degree with the University of Stellenbosch

(1) ¹The University of Göttingen and the University of Stellenbosch join in organising a double degree programme. ²The provisions of these examination and study regulations shall apply, provided that the following does not stipulate any other procedure. ³The regulations in place at the University of Stellenbosch shall apply exclusively to the modules offered by the University of Stellenbosch.

(2) Students at the master's programme "Development Economics" are eligible to take part in this programme in accordance with the provisions laid down in the following regulations.

(3) ¹A selection procedure will be carried out for the 5 places allocated to the students in the master programme "Development Economics". ²The selection committee consists of the person responsible for the master programme "Development Economics", the double degree coordinator and one teaching member of the faculty group at the Faculty of Economic Sciences; one member of the student body will also be included in an advisory capacity. ³The member of the faculty group and the student body will be appointed by the corresponding faculty representation on the Faculty Council at the Faculty of Economic Sciences.

(4) ¹The application for inclusion in the double degree programme must be submitted to the Dean's Office at the Faculty of Economic Sciences by no later than May 15 and at the same time as the application for admission to the master programme "Development Economics".

²The following documents must be enclosed with the application:

- the diploma from the applicant's previous degree programme in the form of certified copies or certified English translations; in the event that a diploma has not yet been received, students must submit certification of the modules completed, the credits and the average grade, along with an assessment of the thesis completed in the previous degree course.
- modules completed in economics and/or agricultural economics in an accumulated scope of at least 60 credits;
- modules completed in economic theory, agricultural economics and development economics in an accumulated scope of at least 30 credits;
- a written presentation in the English language, detailing the applicant's motivation for inclusion in the double degree programme and the aims of his or her studies and

- a curriculum vitae in tabular form and in the English language, detailing concisely the educational path that demonstrates which practical professional skills and other specialist qualifications or periods spent abroad the applicant is able to present.

(5) The selection committee in the degree programme makes its selection on the basis of the following criteria.

a) The following qualifications for entry shall apply:

aa) The grade for the thesis in the previous degree programme must be at least 2.50;

bb) The overall grade in the modules completed in economics and/or agricultural economics with an accumulated scope of at least 60 credits must be at least 2.50;

cc) Knowledge accumulated in modules in development economics and agricultural economics must be proven with a scope of at least 10 C.

b) Selection of the applicants who are eligible in accordance with the criteria laid down in a) will take place on the basis of a points scale. These points will be awarded according to the following criteria.

aa) Current average grade in the degree programme that is the basis for the application (maximum 8 points):

Grade	Points
1.00	8
more than 1.0 up to and including 1.3	7
more than 1.3 up to and including 1.7	6
more than 1.7 up to and including 2.0	5
more than 2.0 up to and including 2.3	4
more than 2.3 up to and including 2.5	3

bb) Letter of motivation (maximum 4 points)

The motivation is	Points
entirely convincing	4
very convincing	3
convincing	2
less convincing	1
not convincing	0

cc) Average grade in the modules completed in the field of development economy and agricultural economy

Grade	Points
1.0 up to and including 1.7	4
more than 1.7 up to and including 2.0	3
more than 2.0 up to and including 2.3	2
more than 2.3 up to and including 2.5	1

In the event of equal points, the grade from the Bachelor degree or an equivalent degree will be deemed decisive.

(6) ¹Students spend the first semester (winter semester, period of lectures: October to February) at the University of Göttingen, and the following year of studies (period of lectures: February to May and July to October), completion of the master thesis November to March) at the University of Stellenbosch. ²By way of derogation from sentence 1, the semester required to complete the master thesis can also be spent at the University of Göttingen. (5) ³The students spend the fourth semester at the University of Göttingen. ⁴This results in the following structure of studies:

1. Advanced economics (Göttingen)	30 C
2. Studies abroad (Stellenbosch)	30 C
3. Master thesis (Göttingen or Stellenbosch)	30 C
4. Specialised degree programme (Göttingen)	30 C

⁵The precise structure of studies and the electable modules are listed in Appendix II.

(7) ¹Examinations for modules that were not successfully completed can be repeated at the partner university also. ²In this, the examination regulations issued by the university offering the module shall apply; examiners at the university offering the module shall also evaluate the examinations.

(8) ¹All students participating in the double degree programme with the University of Stellenbosch must successfully complete their master thesis with a scope of 30 C. ²The academic advisers for the master thesis will be one examiner at the University of Göttingen and one examiner at the University of Stellenbosch. ³The master thesis must be written in English. ⁴In the event that the master thesis is completed at the University of Stellenbosch, the examination regulations in force at the University of Stellenbosch shall apply to admission, supervision and assessment. ⁵The academic adviser, resp. the evaluator from Göttingen must be an authorised examiner at the University of Göttingen; following notification by the University of Stellenbosch, they are appointed by the Examinations Office at the Faculty of Economic Sciences. ⁶In the event that the master thesis is completed at the University of Göttingen, the study and examination regulations in force there shall apply.

(9) Following successful completion of the master examination, the University of Göttingen awards the university degree "Master of Arts (M.A.)" and the University of Stellenbosch awards the university degree "Master of Commerce (MComm)".

(10) ¹Each university will issue a degree certificate for the university degree they award, whereby the two degree certificates are integrated in such a way as to represent one single degree certificate in terms of content. ²The degree certificate can only be issued in an integrated form. ³The University of Göttingen issues the degree certificate in the English or on request the German language with the date of certificate; in addition to stating the degree programme, the degree certificate also specifies the bi-national structure.

(11) ¹The two university degrees can be listed as separate titles. ²In the event that both university degrees are listed as titles, they shall be connected by a hyphen; the same applies to the abbreviated form. ³This does not affect the statutory provisions concerning the listing as titles of foreign university degrees.“

§ 7 Entry into Force

(1) The regulation enters into force following its promulgation in the official announcements of Georg-August-Universität Göttingen as per 01.04.2012.

(2) At the same time, the examination regulations for the master degree programme "Development Economics" in the version contained in the announcement dated 30.09.2011 (Official Announcements I no. 8/2011 S. 470) and the study regulations for the master degree programme "Development Economics" in the version contained in the announcement dated 30.09.2011 (Official Announcements I no. 8/2011 S. 475) shall cease to be effective.

(3) ¹Students who commenced their academic programme before these study and examination regulations came into force will be examined exclusively on the basis of these study and examination regulations. ²This does not apply:

- a) In the event that other regulations than those specified in paragraph 2 apply to individual students on the basis of provisions concerning examination regulations that have been in force to date, and
- b) In the event that a bond of trust with a student renders appropriate a different decision on the part of the examination board.

³This decision as specified under letter b) is possible especially in cases in which a module examination can be retaken or a compulsory module has been changed substantially or removed. ⁴The examination board can stipulate general regulations for this. ⁵Modules and periods of studies completed before these study and examination regulations come into force remain unaffected. ⁶Examinations based on regulations valid before these study and examination regulations came into force will be held for the last time in the summer semester of 2014.

Appendix I: Module overview

Modules with a rating of 120 credits should be successfully completed in accordance with the following provisions.

1. Compulsory part of the programme (30 C)

The following compulsory modules with a rating of 24 C must be successfully completed:

M.WIWI-VWL.0008	Development Economics I, 6 C
M.WIWI-VWL.0009	Development Economics II, 6 C
M.SIA.E11	Socioeconomics of Rural Development and Food Security, 6 C
M.WIWI-QMW.0004	Econometrics I, 6 C

At least one of the following modules with a rating of 6 credits must be successfully completed.

M.WIWI-VWL.0025	Seminar Development Economics, 6 C
M.WIWI-VWL.0023	Seminar to the Situation in Latin America in the 21 st century: Trade related and Macroeconomic Issues, 6C
M.WIWI-VWL.0024	Seminar to the Situation in Latin America in the 21 st century: The Necessity of Reforms, 6 C

2. Subject-specific specialisation (12 C)

In the specialised degree programme, either modules specialised in economics sciences (specialisation in economics) with a rating of 12 C according to letter a. or modules specialised in agricultural economics (specialisation in agricultural economics) with a rating of 12 C according to letter b. should be successfully completed:

a. Specialisation in Economics:

Following modules should be successfully completed:

M.WIWI-VWL.0085	Advanced Microeconomics, 6 C
M.WIWI-VWL.0086	Macroeconomics of Open Economies, 6 C

b. Specialisation in Agricultural Economics:

Two of the following modules should be successfully completed:

M.SIA.E12M	Quantitative Research Methods in Rural Development Economies, 6 C
M.SIA.E24	Topics in Rural Development Economics I, 6 C
M.SIA.E01.	World Agricultural Markets, 6 C

3. Optional required module (30 C)

Modules with a rating of 30 C should be successfully completed. In addition to the modules not selected in the field of subject specialisation, the following modules can be selected, provided they were not already completed within the compulsory part of the programme:

M.WIWI-VWL.0010	Development Economics III: Regional Perspectives in Development Economies, 6 C
M.WIWI-VWL.0019	Advanced Development Economics, 6 C
M.WIWI-VWL.0021	Gender and Development, 6 C

M.WIWI-VWL.0022	Analysis of Micro Data, 6 C
M.WIWI-VWL.0023	Seminar to the Situation in Latin America in the 21 st century: Trade related and Macroeconomic Issues, 6C
M.WIWI-VWL.0024	Seminar to the Situation in Latin America in the 21 st century: The Necessity of Reforms, 6 C
M.WIWI-VWL.0025	Seminar Development Economics, 6 C
M.WIWI-VWL.0040	Empirical Trade Issues, 6 C
M.WIWI-VWL.0041	Panel Data Econometrics, 6 C
M.WIWI-VWL.0059	Methods of Economic Policy Evaluation, 6 C
M.WIWI-VWL.0061	Methods of Economic Policy Evaluation: Case Studies, 6 C
M.WIWI-VWL.0063	Sustainable Development, Trade and the Environment, 6 C
M.WIWI-QMW.0005	Econometrics II, 6 C
M.Agr.0106	China Economic Development, 6 C
M.SIA.E10	Economics of Biological Diversity in the Tropics and Subtropics, 6 C
M.SIA.E14	Evaluation of Rural Development Projects and Policies, 6 C
M.SIA.E19	Market Integration and Price Transmission I, 6 C
M.SIA.E20	Agricultural policy seminar, 6 C
M.SIA.E21	Rural sociology, 6 C
M.SIA.E23	Global Agricultural Value Chains and Developing Countries, 6 C

4. Optional area (18 C)

Modules with a total rating of 18 C should be successfully completed according to the following prerequisite:

- a. All modules of the Faculty of Economic Sciences with the code M.WIWI.VWL or M.WIWI-QMW can be selected, as far as the entry qualifications mentioned there are fulfilled.
- b. All modules of the Faculty of Agricultural Sciences from the Master's Programme in "Sustainable International Agriculture" can be selected, as far as the entry qualifications mentioned there are fulfilled.
- c. Modules from the language courses offered by ZESS (except English) can be selected, unless they are basic level courses.
- d. Students who acquired their university entrance qualification neither in the Federal Republic of Germany nor in another country or region in which German is the official language and for whom the degree programme that represents the basis for entry into the master programme Development Economics was not completed in the German language can also acquire 12 C by successfully completing the modules in "German as a foreign language". However, this does require verification of skills equivalent to "Basic level III" (A.2.1).

In the optional area, modules (alternative modules) other than those mentioned can be completed in accordance with the following provisions. The following are required for the consideration of an alternative module:

- a) A written application to be handed in by the student to the Dean of the Faculty of Economic Sciences before choosing the alternative module;
- b) Approval by the Dean of Studies of the faculty or teaching body offering the alternative module.

The decision on approving the application is made by the Dean of Studies of the Faculty of Economic Sciences. Before passing the decision, the Dean will obtain the opinion of the degree programme tutors on the usefulness of the module replacement in which the student is enrolled. The application can be rejected without stating any reasons; a legal right of the applicant to appeal the decision does not exist. The consideration of an already completed module as an alternative module is excluded.

5. Master thesis (30 C)

30 C are awarded for successful completion of the master thesis.

Appendix II: List of modules for students in the double degree programme with the University of Stellenbosch

Modules with a rating of 120 credits should be successfully completed in accordance with the following provisions.

1. In the first semester (winter semester, period of lectures: October to February), the following compulsory modules with a scope totalling 30 C must be successfully completed at the University of Göttingen:

M.WIWI-VWL.0085	Advanced Microeconomics, 6 C
M.WIWI-VWL.0086	Macroeconomics of Open Economies, 6 C
M.SIA.E11	Socioeconomics of Rural Development and Food Security, 6 C
M.WIWI-QMW.0004	Econometrics I, 6 C
M.WIWI-VWL.0008	Development Economics I, 6 C

2. The academic programme at the University of Stellenbosch (period of lectures: February to May and July to October) covers a total of 30 credits. They must be acquired according to the following provisions.

a. Four of the following compulsory modules with a total rating of 24 C must be completed successfully:

10605 871	Microeconomics, 6 C
10595 871	Macroeconomics, 6 C
11906 871	Dynamic Economic Theory, 6 C
12227 871	Advanced Microeconomic Analysis, 6 C
10430 871	Econometrics, 6 C

b. 6 credits must be acquired by the successful completion of 2 postgraduate courses (3 C each) within the framework of the courses offered in the degree programme "Master Commerce in Economics" at the University of Stellenbosch.

3. In general, the master thesis is completed in the period from November to March, either at the University of Göttingen or at the University of Stellenbosch. 30 C are awarded for successful completion of the master thesis.

4. The specialist field of studies then takes place in the fourth semester at the University of Göttingen; modules with a total rating of 30 C must be completed successfully in accordance with the following provisions.

a. The following module with a rating of 6 C must be successfully completed:

M.WIWI-VWL.0009	Development Economics II, 6 C
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b. One of the following modules with a rating of 6 credits must be successfully completed.

M.WIWI-VWL.0025	Seminar Development Economics, 6 C
M.WIWI-VWL.0023	Seminar to the Situation in Latin America in the 21 st century: Trade related and Macroeconomic Issues, 6C
M.WIWI-VWL.0024	Seminar to the Situation in Latin America in the 21 st century: The Necessity of Reforms, 6 C

c. Subject-specific specialisation

Three of the following compulsory modules with a total rating of 18 C must be completed successfully:

M.WIWI-VWL.0010	Development Economics III: Regional Perspectives in Development Economies, 6 C
M.WIWI-VWL.0019	Advanced Development Economics, 6 C
M.WIWI-VWL.0021	Gender and Development, 6 C
M.WIWI-VWL.0022	Analysis of Micro Data, 6 C
M.WIWI-VWL.0023	Seminar to the Situation in Latin America in the 21 st century: Trade related and Macroeconomic Issues, 6C
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M.WIWI-VWL.0025	Seminar Development Economics, 6 C
M.WIWI-VWL.0040	Empirical Trade Issues, 6 C
M.WIWI-VWL.0041	Panel Data Econometrics, 6 C
M.WIWI-VWL.0055	Seminar: Globalization and Development, 6 C
M.WIWI-VWL.0059	Methods of Economic Policy Evaluation, 6 C
M.WIWI-VWL.0061	Methods of Economic Policy Evaluation: Case Studies, 6 C
M.WIWI-VWL.0063	Sustainable Development, Trade and the Environment, 6 C
M.WIWI-QMW.0005	Econometrics II, 6 C
M.Agr.0106	China Economic Development, 6 C
M.SIA.E01.	World Agricultural Markets, 6 C
M.SIA.E10	Economics of Biological Diversity in the Tropics and Subtropics, 6 C
M.SIA.E12M	Quantitative Research Methods in Rural Development Economies, 6 C
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M.SIA.E21	Rural sociology, 6 C
M.SIA.E23	Global Agricultural Value Chains and Developing Countries, 6 C
M.SIA.E24	Topics in Rural Development Economics I, 6 C
M.MIS.301	Economic Reform and Social Justice in India, 6 C