Course and examination fact sheet for guest students – Spring semester 2024

Required workload per semester

- **Minimum 16 ECTS.** You are required to take courses equivalent to at least 16 ECTS and take the corresponding examinations.
- **Maximum 40 ECTS.** All ECTS above 40 will be removed irrevocably to a minimum of 16 ECTS after the bidding ends (see Bidding Fact Sheet, p.3).
- **THEMIS:** Minimum of 30 ECTS; **CEMS MIM:** Minimum of 24 ECTS (incl. skill seminars)
- **Average workload at HSG:** 24-30 ECTS; 1 ECTS = approx. 30 working hours
- **No extra or partial credits for additional or partial work**

Course information and course numbering system

The definite course list will be available approx. four weeks before semester start, see https://courses.unisg.ch/

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<td>CEMS core course</td>
<td>You are automatically registered by the CEMS Programme Manager for the mandatory CEMS core course.</td>
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<td>CEMS exclusive course</td>
<td>You need to bid for these courses in the CEMS section in the bidding.</td>
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<td>CEMS elective courses (from HSG Master curriculum)</td>
<td>Certain courses from the regular HSG curriculum fulfil the CEMS elective courses requirements. Therefore, you can bid for the elective courses in the Master section.</td>
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Course registration (Bidding)

- Course registration takes place via Bidding on our online platform Compass.
- Information about bidding is available in the “Bidding fact sheet guest students” or “CEMS bidding fact sheet”
- Bidding for guest students starts only in the first main round on 01 February 2024 (see Bidding timetable). CEMS students start bidding in the preliminary round, 25 January 2024.
- We highly recommend you bid for courses of your current study level at the home university.
- Avoid clashing courses, it may result in having several examinations at the same time.

Course deregistration

- Course dropping is possible until 15 March 2024, 23:59 midnight CET.
- Once courses are dropped, they are irrevocably deleted and cannot be added to your bidding again.
## Examinations

Examinations may be taken only for courses allocated through the bidding process. Administrative fees may apply if the instructions for deregistering from examinations are not followed.

### Decentral examinations (during the lecture period)
- Decentral examinations are held during the lecture period.
- Ask the lecturer for the examination date in the first class.

### Central examinations (17 June – 20 July 2024)
(Note: Instead of central examinations, guest students are entitled to take decentral guest examinations which take place during the lecture period.)
- If the examination is specified as central in the course information sheets, all guest students are **automatically registered for decentral guest examinations**.
- **Decentral guest examinations** are held during the lecture period.
- Ask the lecturer for the examination date and format **in the first class**.

### Mid-Term examinations (19 – 20 April 2024)
The following three courses have Mid-Term examinations:
- 3,100/4,100 Marketing
- 3,115/4,115 Leadership & Human Resource Management
- 3,135/4,135 Accounting, Controlling, Auditing

Guest students enrolled in these courses are **automatically registered for these examinations**.

### Guest students enrolled for two consecutive semesters
Guest students enrolled for **two consecutive semesters** at the University of St. Gallen must take the official examination as indicated in the course information sheet during the first semester and **register for the central examination in Compass between 08 April and 05 May 2024 / 23:59**. A decentral guest examination is only possible if the lecturer agrees.

Language courses: if a language course was taken in a previous semester, only courses and examinations of a higher level of the same language may be taken thereafter.

### Examination deregistration
Examination deregistration is possible if students still meet the minimum requirement of 16 ECTS semester workload after deregistration (CEMS MIM students: 24 ECTS / THEMIS students: 30 ECTS):

- **Deregistration from decentral examinations or decentral guest examinations**
  - Email your lecturer responsible for the examination **before** the examination begins. The deregistration is not displayed in Compass.
  - The course will not be listed on your transcript.

- **Deregistration from Mid-Term examinations**
  - **Free of charge**: 08 – 15 April 2024 in Compass
  - Fee-based: from 16 April 2024, up to start of examination for CHF 50 in Compass.

- **Deregistration from central examinations**
  - **Free of charge**: 08 April – 05 May 2024 in Compass.
  - Fee-based: from 06 May 2024 up to start of examination for CHF 50 in Compass.

### Absence due to illness or accident during examination time

- **Procedure regarding decentral examinations or decentral guest examinations**
  - Email your lecturer responsible for the examination before the examination begins.
  - Submit a written proof (medical certificate, etc.) via Compass.
  - Contact the lecturer to schedule an alternative examination date as soon as possible.
  - The alternative examination must take place until **31 July 2024**.

- **Procedure regarding central and Mid-Term examinations**
  - Submit application and written proof via Compass before the examination begins.
  - Alternative examination only possible if matriculated at HSG in the following semester.

### Non-appearance at examinations
Non-appearance without prior deregistration from an examination (central, decentral, Mid-Term examinations) results in the **grade 1.0**.
## Failed examination

- No retakes possible at HSG.
- Failing grades may not be improved through additional assignments.
- Failed courses will be listed on the official transcript (Academic Record) without ECTS credits.

## Plagiarism

The theft of intellectual property is a serious offence. Such an offence can have drastic consequences for your studies and professional life. The University of St.Gallen instructs its students in academic work and sanctions any instances of plagiarism. For detailed information see [StudentWeb](#).

## Notification of grades and official transcript (Academic Record)

- The Notification of grades and official transcript will include only the results of the examinations for which you were officially registered. Further information is available in the [Decrees of the University of St.Gallen](#).
- About six weeks after the end of term, grades will be published in Compass. Check your Compass account also after your departure. The Notifications of grades published in Compass are binding.
- Grades may be appealed. Deadline for appeals: 14 days after the publication of grades in Compass.
- The official transcript will be published in Compass only if all grades of all courses will have been submitted. Partial transcripts are not issued.
- **We do not send your transcript to your home university**. Forward your transcript to your home university. The authenticity can be verified on [verify.unisg.ch](#) (drag& drop in section “Verify documents with Blockchain” – do not enter any number or data).
- Course title, course number, HSG grade, and ECTS credits are listed. Failed courses do not receive any credits but will be listed on the transcript with the grades.
- We do not issue course attendance confirmations.

## HSG grading scale

Each completed examination is graded according to a grading scale from 6.0 (excellent) to 1.0 (useless). Satisfactory results are awarded grades from 6.0 to 4.0 inclusive, while results graded 3.5 to 1.0 are insufficient. The grading scale in detail:

- 6.0 = excellent
- 5.5 = very good
- 5.0 = good
- 4.5 = satisfactory
- 4.0 = marginal
- 3.5 = unsatisfactory
- 3.0 = poor
- 2.5 = poor to very poor
- 2.0 = very poor
- 1.5 = very poor to useless
- 1.0 = useless

## Applying for HSG degree studies

If you intend to start a degree programme at HSG: courses of your exchange semester at HSG can only be credited if examinations were taken in the format as indicated in the course fact sheet.

## Questions?

Should you have any questions regarding courses and examinations, please contact us by mail [guesttranscripts@unisg.ch](mailto:guesttranscripts@unisg.ch).
# Overview Examination Registration / Deregistration

## Spring Semester 2024
Lecture period 19 Feb 2024 – 25 May 2024

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<td>Central</td>
<td>June – July</td>
<td>All guest students are <strong>automatically registered</strong> for the <strong>decentral guest examination</strong> which are held during the lecture period. Students must schedule examination date with lecturer.</td>
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Only if you plan to register for central examinations, you must **deregister** first from the decentral guest examination (which is irrevocable) and **then register** for the central examination.

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