Teaching and Examination Regulations

Bachelor's programme in Media, Art, Design and Architecture Faculty of Humanities

Academic year 2021-2022

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Section A: Faculty section

1. General provisions

Article 1.1 Applicability of the Regulations

1.	These Regulations apply to anyone enrolled in the programme, irrespective of the academic year in which the student was first enrolled in the programme.	Advice OLC, approval FGV (9.38 sub b)
2.	These Regulations enter into force on 1 September 2021.	Advice OLC, approval FGV (9.38 sub b)
3.	An amendment to the Teaching and Examination Regulations is only permitted to concern an academic year already in progress if this does not demonstrably damage the interests of students.	Advice OLC, approval FGV (9.38 sub b)

Article 1.2 Definitions

The following definitions are used in these Regulations (in alphabetical order):

a. academic year: the period beginning on 1 September and ending on 31 August of the

following calendar year;

b. CvB: the Executive Board of Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam.c. EC (European Credit): an EC credit with a workload of 28 hours of study;

d. educational component: a unit of study of the programme within the meaning of the WHW;

e. examination: the final examination of the Bachelor's programme;

f. FGV: Faculty joint assembly – assembly of the faculty student council and faculty

staff council;

g. interim examination: an assessment of the student's knowledge, understanding and skills relating

to a course component. The assessment is expressed in terms of a final mark. An interim examination may consist of one or more partial

examinations. A resit always covers the same material as the original interim

examination;

h. joint degree: a degree awarded by an institution together with one or more institutions in

the Netherlands or abroad, after the student has completed a study

programme (a degree programme, a major or a specific curriculum within a degree programme) for which the collaborating institutions are jointly

responsible;

i. OLC: programme committee;j. period: a part of a semester;

k. practical exercise: the participation in a practical training or other educational learning activity,

aimed at acquiring certain (academic) skills. Examples of practical exercises

are:

o researching and writing a thesis or dissertation

o carrying out a research assignment

o taking part in fieldwork or an excursion

 $\circ\quad$ taking part in another educational learning activity aimed at acquiring

specific skills, or

o participating in and completing a work placement;



I. programme: the totality and cohesion of the course components, teaching

activities/methods, contact hours, testing and examination methods and

recommended literature;

m. SAP/SLM: the student information system (*Student Lifecycle Management*);

n. semester: the first (September - January) or second half (February - August) of an

academic year;

o. specialization optional route of study within a degree programme indicating a deepening

of the (inter/multi) disciplinary context of the programme;

p. study guide: the guide for the study programme that provides further details of the

courses, provisions and other information specific to that programme. The

Study Guide is available electronically at:

https://www.vu.nl/en/study-guide/;

q. study monitor (studiemonitor): dashboard for students and academic advisors with data of the student and

that provides insight into the student's study progress;

r. subject see 'educational component';

s. track a study pathway within a broader Bachelor's or Master's degree

programme, such as a fully English-language study pathway within a Dutch-

language Bachelor's or Master's programme;

t. thesis: a component comprising research into the literature and/or contributing to

scientific research, always resulting in a written report;

u. university: Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam;

v. WHW: the Dutch Higher Education and Research Act (Wet op het Hoger Onderwijs

en Wetenschappelijk Onderzoek);

w. workload: the workload of the unit of study to which an interim examination applies,

expressed in terms of credits = EC credits (ECTS = European Credit and Transfer Accumulation System). The workload for 1 year (1,680 hours) is 60

EC credits.

The other terms have the meanings ascribed to them by the WHW.

2. Study programme structure

Article 2.1 Structure of academic year and educational components

The study programme will be offered in a year divided into two semesters.	Ordinance CvB, see appendix III
2. Every semester consists of three consecutive periods of eight, eight and four weeks	Ordinance CvB, see appendix III
3. An educational component comprises 6 EC or a multiple thereof.	Ordinance CvB, see appendix III
4. By way of exception to paragraph 3, the Executive Board may in special cases and on request of the Faculty Board, stipulate that a unit of study comprises 3 EC or a multiple thereof.	Ordinance CvB, see appendix III

Article 2.2 Frame study programme

1.	The programme consists in any case of the following components:	Ordinance CvB,
	a. Academic development of at least 24 EC	see appendix III
	b. Major/compulsory components of at least 90 EC	
	c. Elective components of study of at least 30 EC	



2.	In the first year of the programme, the programme will offer at least fourteen contact	Ordinance CvB,
	hours a week.	see appendix III
3.	In the second and third years of the programme, the programme will offer at least	Ordinance CvB,
	twelve contact hours a week.	see appendix III
4.	Internationalization is included as part of the Bachelor's programme and reflected in one	Ordinance CvB,
	or more educational components.	see appendix III

3. Assessment and Examination

Article 3.1 Signing up for education and interim examinations

1	 Every student must sign up to participate in the educational components of the programme, the examinations and resits. The procedure for signing up is described in an annex to the Student Charter. 	Ordinance CvB, see appendix III
2	2. Signing up may only take place in the designated periods.	Ordinance CvB, see appendix III

Article 3.2 Type of examination

1. At the examiner's request, the Examination Board may permit a different form of	Advice OLC,
interim examination than is stipulated in the study guide.	Approval FGV
interim examination than is supulated in the study galact.	(7.13 l)

Article 3.3 Oral interim examinations

1. An oral assessment is public unless the Examination Board in special cases determines	Advice OLC;
otherwise.	approval FGV
	(7.13 I and n)

Article 3.4 Determining and announcing results

1.	The examiner determines the result of a written interim examination as soon as possible, but at the latest within ten working days. By way of departure from that stipulated in the first clause, the marking deadline for theses and final assignments (NB: this does not include tests, such as written assignments or papers, at the end of regular educational components) is no longer than twenty working days. The examiner will then immediately ensure that the marks are registered and also ensures that the student is immediately notified of the mark, taking due account of the applicable confidentiality standards.	Ordinance CvB, see appendix III
2.	The examiner determines the result (i.e. mark) of an oral examination as soon as possible, but at the latest within two working days after the examination has finished and informs the student accordingly. The third clause of the first paragraph applies.	Advice OLC; approval FGV (7.13 o)
3.	In the case of assessments other than oral or written examinations, the Examination Board determines in advance how and by what deadline the student will be informed of the results.	Advice OLC; approval FGV (7.13 o)

Article 3.5 Examination opportunities

1.	a. Per academic year, two opportunities to take examinations per educational	Ordinance CvB,
	component will be offered.	see appendix III
	b. By way of exception to a., the options for retaking practical components, work	
	placements and theses are detailed in the relevant work placement manual, teaching	
	regulations or graduation regulations.	



2.	The most recent mark will apply in the event of a resit. A retake is allowed for both	Ordinance CvB,
	passed and failed units of study. A retake is not allowed for essays passed by the	see appendix III
	student.	
3.	The resit for a (partial) interim examination must <i>not</i> take place within ten working	Advice OLC;
	days of the announcement of the result of the (partial) examination being resat.	approval FGV (7.13 j)
4.	The Examination Board may allow a student an extra opportunity to sit an	Ordinance CvB,
	examination if that student:	see appendix III
	a) is lacking only those credits to qualify for their degree; and	
	b) has failed the examination during all the previously offered attempts unless	
	participation in an examination was not possible for compelling reasons.	
	The extra opportunity can only be offered if it concerns a written examination, a	
	paper or a take home examination. This provision excludes the practical assignments	
	and the Bachelor's thesis. Requests for an additional examination opportunity must	
	be submitted to the Examination Board no later than 1 July. If necessary, the method	
	of examination may deviate from the provisions in the study guide.	
5.	If an educational component is no longer offered in the academic year following its	Advice OLC,
	termination, at least one opportunity will be provided to sit the interim	approval FGV (7.13 i)
	examination(s) or parts thereof and a transitional arrangement will be included in the	J/
	programme-specific section for the subsequent period.	

Article 3.6 Marks

1.	Marks are given on a scale from 1 to 10 with no more than one figure after the decimal point.	Ordinance CvB, see appendix III
2.	A final mark between 5 and 6 will be rounded to the nearest whole number: up to 5.50, rounded down; 5.50 or higher, rounded up. All other final marks will be expressed in whole or half marks.	Ordinance CvB, see appendix III
3.	To pass a given course or unit, a final mark of 6 or higher is required.	Ordinance CvB, see appendix III
4.	The Examination Board can allow to use symbols rather than numbers, for example V(voldaan = pass), G(goed=good), NVD(niet voldaan=fail), etc.	Ordinance CvB, see appendix III

Article 3.7 Exemption

1.	At the written request of the student, the Examination Board may exempt the student from taking one or more examination components, if the student: a) has passed a course component of a university or higher professional education programme that is equivalent in terms of content and level; b) has demonstrated through their work and/or professional experience that they have sufficient knowledge and skills with regard to the relevant course	Advice OLC; approval FGV (7.13 r)
2.	component. The Bachelor's thesis is excluded from this exemption possibility.	Advice OLC; approval FGV (9.38 sub b)

Article 3.8 Validity period for results

1.	The validity period of interim examinations passed and exemption from interim	Legal provision
	examinations is unlimited, unless otherwise specified in Section B.	
2.	The validity period of a partial examination is limited to the academic year in which it	Advice OLC;
	was sat or until the end of the unit of study concerned, as stipulated for the relevant	approval FGV
	unit of study in Section B.	(9.38 sub b)



Article 3.9 Right of inspection and post-examination discussion

1.	Within twenty working days after the announcement of the results of a written interim examination, but at least ten working days before the resit opportunity, the student can, on request, inspect his/her assessed work, the questions and assignments set in it, as well as the standards applied for marking. The place and time referred to in the previous clause will be announced on VUweb or Canvas in all cases.	Advice OLC; approval FGV (7.13 p en q)
2.	If a collective post-examination discussion has been organized, individual post-examination discussions will be held only if the student has attended the collective discussion or if the student was unable to attend the collective discussion through no fault of their own.	Advice OLC; approval FGV (7.13 q)
3.	Students who meet the requirements stipulated in paragraph 2 can submit a request for an individual post-examination discussion to the relevant examiner. The discussion shall take place at a time and location to be determined by the examiner.	Advice OLC; approval FGV (7.13 p en q)

4. Honours programme

Article 4.1 Honours programme

1.	Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam offers an honours programme for students who meet the admission requirements. The Honours programme consists of educational components taken in addition to the standard curriculum.	Ordinance CvB, see appendix III
2.	The honours programme comprises 30 EC, a minimum of 12 EC of which consist of faculty or programme honours components and a minimum of another 12 EC consist of interfaculty honours components. The choices available to the student will be published on the website (https://www.vu.nl).	Ordinance CvB, see appendix III
3.	For admission to the honours programme, the student must have secured all credits from the first year and have been awarded a weighted average mark of at least a 7.5.	Ordinance CvB, see appendix III
4.	Students who have met the requirements of the regular Bachelor's programme within the nominal duration of study, who have achieved an average weighted mark of at least 7.5 for all components of the Bachelor's programme (excluded the honours components) and who have also met the requirements of the honours programme will receive a Bachelor diploma with a transcript indicating that they have successfully completed the honours programme.	Ordinance CvB, see appendix III
5.	First-year Bachelor's students can participate in honours components during the second semester, on the condition that they have earned 30 EC during the first semester with a weighted average of at least a 7.5. First-year students can only participate in honours components that are open for first-year students.	Ordinance CvB, see appendix III

5. Academic student counselling, advice regarding continuation of studies and study progress

Article 5.1 Administration of study progress and academic student counselling

1.	The faculty board is responsible for the correct registration of the students' study	Advice OLC;
	results. After the assessment of an educational component has been registered, every	approval FGV
	student has the right to inspect the result for that component and also has a list of the	(7.13 u)
	results achieved at his/her disposal in VUweb.	



2.	Enrolled students are eligible for academic student counselling. Academic student	Advice OLC;	
	counselling is provided by	approval FGV	
	a. The Student General Counselling Service	(7.13 u)	
	b. Student psychologists		
	c. Faculty academic advisors		

Article 5.2 Advice regarding continuation of studies

1.	The faculty board will issue every student on a full-time Bachelor's programme with a recommendation on continuation of their studies, at the end of the first year of study. The recommendation on continuation of studies is issued on behalf of the faculty board by the faculty BSA committee	Ordinance CvB, see appendix III
2.	Prior to 1 February, the student will receive an overview of their results.	Ordinance CvB, see appendix III
3.	A student who has not obtained enough EC, will receive a warning stating that sufficient improvement is necessary to reach the standard for a positive recommendation on continuation of studies at the end of the academic year and will be advised to plan a meeting with an academic advisor.	Advice OLC (7.13 f)
4.	If the recommendation at the end of the academic year is negative the provisions of Article 5.3 apply.	Advice OLC (7.13 f)
5.	A recommendation will not be issued if the student terminates their enrolment before 1 February of their first academic year.	Advice OLC (7.13 f)

Article 5.3 Binding (negative) recommendation on continuation of studies (BSA)

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6.	Students who receive a binding negative recommendation on continuation of studies	Ordinance CvB,
	may therefore not enrol in the same Bachelor's programme or Bachelor's	see appendix III
	programme(s) with the same first year as defined in Article 14.1.2 of section B during a	
	period of three years.	

Article 5.4 Personal circumstances

1.	The faculty board will not include a rejection in the binding recommendation on the continuation of studies in the case of personal circumstances, as described in Article	Advice OLC (7.13 f)
	2.1 of the Higher Education and Research (Implementation) Act, as a result of which	
	the student concerned cannot have been reasonably expected to have met the BSA	
	standard.	
2.	If a circumstance, as described in Article 2.1 of the Higher Education and Research	Advice OLC
	(Implementation) Act, should occur, students must notify the academic advisor office	(7.13 f)
	as soon as possible, providing details of:	
	a) the period in which the circumstance occurs or occurred;	
	b) a description of the circumstance and its seriousness;	
	c) the extent to which they cannot or could not participate in instruction/classes or	
	an interim examination.	
	It is the student's responsibility to submit documentary evidence to substantiate their	
	report.	
3.	If required, the academic advisor may advise the BSA Committee on the extent to	Advice OLC
	which personal circumstances have influenced the student's study progress.	(7.13 f)

Article 5.5 Facilities for students with a disability

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1.	A student with a disability can, at the moment of registration to VUweb, or at a later instance, submit a request to qualify for one or more special facilities with regard to teaching, practical training and interim examinations. These facilities will accommodate the student's individual disability as much as possible, but may not alter the quality or degree of difficulty of a unit of study or an examination. In all cases, the student must fulfil the exit qualifications for the study programme.	Advice OLC; approval FGV (7.13 m)
2.	The request referred to in the first paragraph must be accompanied by a statement from a doctor or psychologist. If possible, an estimate should be given of the potential impact on the student's study progress. In case of a chronic disability a single (one time) request suffices.	Advice OLC; approval FGV (7.13 m)
3.	Students who have been diagnosed with dyslexia must provide a statement from a BIG, NIP or NVO registered professional who is qualified to conduct psychological evaluation.	Advice OLC; approval FGV (7.13 m)
4.	The faculty board, or the responsible person on behalf of the faculty board, decides on teaching facilities and facilities regarding logistics. The Examination Board will decide on requests for facilities with regard to examinations.	Advice OLC; approval FGV (7.13 m)
5.	In the event of a positive decision in response to a request as referred to in paragraph 1, the student can make an appointment with the academic advisor to discuss the details of the facilities.	Advice OLC; approval FGV (7.13 m)
6.	A request for one or more facilities can be refused if it would place a disproportionate burden on the organization or the resources of the faculty or university were it upheld. Any such refusal will be substantiated.	Advice OLC; approval FGV (7.13 m)
7.	If the disability justifies an extension of the interim examination time, the responsible person on behalf of the Examination Board will register in SAP this entitlement to an extension. If a disability justifies other measures to be taken, the academic advisor can	Advice OLC; approval FGV (7.13 m)



	take the necessary measures. Students can consult the study monitor to check which	
	facilities have been granted to them.	
8.	The decision as referred to in paragraph 5 may specify a limited validity of the facilities	Advice OLC;
	granted.	approval FGV
	grantea.	(7.13 m)

6. Hardship clause

Article 6.1 Hardship clause

In instances not regulated by the Teaching and Examination Regulations or in the event of	Advice OLC;
demonstrable extreme unreasonableness and unfairness, the faculty board responsible for	approval FGV
the study programme will decide, unless the matter concerned is the responsibility of the	(9.38 sub b)
Examination Board.	



Appendix I

Overview of articles that must be included in the OER

Based on Article 7.13, paragraph 2, of the WHW and other Articles of the Act.

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	in 2020)
Article 10.4.3 Language test	7.13 paragraph 2 sub a, c
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Article 11.1 Academic development	7.13 paragraph 2 sub a
Article 11.2 Major	7.13 paragraph 2 sub a
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Appendix II

Overview of advisory and approval rights of Programme Committees (OLC) and Faculty Joint Assembly (FGV) (English underneath)

Onderwerpen Onderwijs – en Examenregeling (OER) 7.13 lid 2 WHW		FGV		OLC	
		Α	I .	Α	
a. de inhoud van de opleiding en van de daaraan verbonden examens					
a1. de wijze waarop het onderwijs in de desbetreffende opleiding wordt geëvalueerd					
b. de inhoud van de afstudeerrichtingen binnen een opleiding					
c. de kwaliteiten op het gebied van kennis, inzicht en vaardigheden die een student zich bij beëindiging van					
de opleiding moet hebben verworven					
d. waar nodig, de inrichting van praktische oefeningen					
e. de studielast van de opleiding en van elk van de daarvan deel uitmakende onderwijseenheden					
f. de nadere regels, bedoeld in de artikelen 7.8b, zesde lid, en 7.9, vijfde lid (BSA)					
g. ten aanzien van welke masteropleidingen toepassing is gegeven aan artikel 7.4a, achtste lid (verhoogde					
studielast)					
h. het aantal en de volgtijdelijkheid van de tentamens alsmede de momenten waarop deze afgelegd					
kunnen worden					
i. de voltijdse, deeltijdse of duale inrichting van de opleiding					
j. waar nodig, de volgorde waarin, de tijdvakken waarbinnen en het aantal malen per studiejaar dat de					
gelegenheid wordt geboden tot het afleggen van de tentamens en examens					
k. waar nodig, de geldigheidsduur van met goed gevolg afgelegde tentamens, behoudens de bevoegdheid					
van de examencommissie die geldigheidsduur te verlengen					
l. of de tentamens mondeling, schriftelijk of op een andere wijze worden afgelegd, behoudens de					
bevoegdheid van de examencommissie in bijzondere gevallen anders te bepalen					
m. de wijze waarop studenten met een handicap of chronische ziekte redelijkerwijs in de gelegenheid					
worden gesteld de tentamens af te leggen					
n. de openbaarheid van mondeling af te nemen tentamens, behoudens de bevoegdheid van de					
examencommissie in bijzondere gevallen anders te bepalen					
o. de termijn waarbinnen de uitslag van een tentamen bekend wordt gemaakt alsmede of en op welke					
wijze van deze termijn kan worden afgeweken					
p. de wijze waarop en de termijn gedurende welke degene die een schriftelijk tentamen heeft afgelegd,					
inzage verkrijgt in zijn beoordeelde werk					
q. de wijze waarop en de termijn gedurende welke kennis genomen kan worden van vragen en opdrachten,					
gesteld of gegeven in het kader van een schriftelijk afgenomen tentamen en van de normen aan de hand					
waarvan de beoordeling heeft plaatsgevonden					
r. de gronden waarop de examencommissie voor eerder met goed gevolg afgelegde tentamens of examens					
in het hoger onderwijs, dan wel voor buiten het hoger onderwijs opgedane kennis of vaardigheden,					
vrijstelling kan verlenen van het afleggen van een of meer tentamens					
s. waar nodig, dat het met goed gevolg afgelegd hebben van tentamens voorwaarde is voor de toelating tot					
het afleggen van andere tentamens					
t. waar nodig, de verplichting tot het deelnemen aan praktische oefeningen met het oog op de toelating tot					
het afleggen van het desbetreffende tentamen, behoudens de bevoegdheid van de examencommissie					
vrijstelling van die verplichting te verlenen, al dan niet onder oplegging van vervangende eisen					
u. de bewaking van studievoortgang en de individuele studiebegeleiding					
v. indien van toepassing: de wijze waarop de selectie van studenten voor een speciaal traject binnen een					
opleiding, bedoeld in artikel 7.9b, plaatsvindt (excellentietraject binnen een opleiding)					
x. de feitelijke vormgeving van het onderwijs					
alle overige onderwerpen die in de OER zijn geregeld maar die niet als zodanig zijn genoemd in art. 7.13					
WHW onder a t/m x.					

Afkortingen:

FGV: Facultaire Gezamenlijke Vergadering

OplC: Opleidingscommissie I: Instemmingsrecht A: Adviesrecht



Appendix II (English)

Overview of advisory and approval rights of Programme Committees (OLC) and Faculty Joint Assembly (FGV) Disclaimer: this is a translation which only serves as an aid. No rights may be derived from it. The Dutch document prevails.

Article 7.13, paragraph 2, of the Higher Education and Research Act		FGV		OLC	
		Α	1	Α	
a. content of the programme and associated examinations					
a1. the manner in which teaching and education in the relevant programme are evaluated					
b. the content of the specializations offered as part of the programme					
c. the programme's final attainment levels with regard to the knowledge, understanding and skills					
d. where applicable, the design of practical exercises					
e. the study load of the programme and of each of its constituent educational units					
f. the detailed rules referred to in Article 7.8b, sixth paragraph, and Article 7.9, fifth paragraph (recommendation on continuation of studies)					
g. the Master's programmes to which Article 7.4a, eighth paragraph, applies (elevated study load)					
h. the number and sequence of examinations and the times at which these can be taken					
i. the full-time, part-time or work-study structure of the programme					
j. where necessary, the order, and the periods in which and the number of times per academic year that the opportunity to sit examinations and final degree assessments is given					
k. where necessary, the period of validity for pass grades awarded for examinations, notwithstanding the authority of the Examination Board to extend this period of validity					
I. whether examinations are administered in oral, written or another form, notwithstanding the authority of the Examination Board to decide otherwise					
m. the way in which students with a disability or chronic health condition are given a reasonable opportunity to take the examinations					
n. the public nature of oral examinations, subject to the right of the Examination Board to determine otherwise in special cases					
o. the period within which the results of an examination must be announced, together with details of whether this period can be altered and if so in what way					
p. the way in which and the period within which students who have taken an examination are given the opportunity to inspect their marked work					
q. the way in which and the period within which information can be provided about the questions asked and exercises given in the framework of a written examination and about the standards used for assessment					
r. the grounds on which the Examination Board could grant exemption from the taking of one or more examinations to students who have previously passed examinations in higher education or have acquired knowledge or skills outside higher education					
s. where necessary, the stipulation that students must pass certain examinations as a condition for admission to other examinations					
t. where necessary, the obligation to take part in certain practical exercises with a view to admission to the examination in question, subject to the authority of the Examination Board to grant exemption from this obligation, with or without the imposition of alternative requirements					
u. the monitoring of academic progress and individual student support and guidance;					
v. where applicable, the manner in which students are selected for a special track within a programme as referred to in Article 7.9b (excellence track within a programme)					
x. the actual design of the education provided.					
All other matters that are regulated in the Academic and Examination Regulations but which are not mentioned as such in Article 7.13 of the Higher Education and Research Act under points a to x.					

Abbreviations used:

FGV: Faculty Joint Assembly
OLC: Programme Committee
I: right of approval
A: right of advice



<u>Appendix III</u>
Ordinances VU Executive Board (CvB) and Binding Bachelor's Guidelines (Bachelor Richtlijn)

Deel A, Article:	Concerns:	CvB ordinance / guideline
2.1.1, 2.1.2	Year planning two semesters 8-8-4 (uniforme jaarkalender VU-UvA)	29-9-2008 (period 2009-2015) 22-05-2014 (periode 2016-2025)
2.1.3, 2.1.4	Fixed nr of EC	Bachelor-richtlijn, revised on 6 June 2017
2.2.1	Setup of the programme	Bachelor-richtlijn, revised on 6 June 2017
2.2.2, 2.2.3	Planning academic year (number of contact hours)	Bachelor-richtlijn, revised on 6 June 2017
2.2.4	Internationalization	CvB ordinance, following the advice of the Internationalization Board, in December 2008 and included in the IP
3.1.1, 3.1.2	Signing up for education and interim examinations	CvB ordinance 30-09-2010, prior consent USR.
3.4.1	Determination and publication of the results (1)Grading deadline exams 10 workdays (2)theses 20 workdays	(1) Bachelor-richtlijn, revised on 6 June 2017 ((2) Quality demand 11 from the VU assessment policy, CvB ordinance 15-05-2012
3.5.1	Two possibilities to take examinations	Bachelor-richtlijn, revised on 6 June 2017
3.5.2	Retake Most recent grade is valid. A pass can be retaken	Taken from the UvA guidelines, as part of the harmonization, CvB ordinance 24-02-2014
3.5.4	Extra retake last year	Included in (prior) model OER 16-17 following a request from committee O&O and adopted by CvB op 28-10-2015
3.6	Grades	CvB ordinance 30-09-2010, with University council's consent. As a result of harmonization UvA, the guideline: 5.5 is a pass, has been added. CvB ordinance 24-02-2014.
4.1	Honours programme	Joint CvB ordinance UvA-VU, 28-10-2013 Revised 'Regeling VU-UvA Honoursprogramma' on 27-11-2018
5.2.1	Recommendation on continuation of studies (BSA)	BSA kaderregeling ordinance CvB 18-01-2010, consent USR on OER 2016-2017 Kaderregeling revised on 12-09-2017
5.2.2	Formal warning before February 1st.	BSA kaderregeling ordinance CvB 18-01-2010, consent USR on OER 2016-2017 Kaderregeling revised on 12-09-2017
5.3	Binding (negative) recommendation on continuation of studies	BSA kaderregeling ordinance CvB 18-01-2010, consent USR on OER 2016-2017 Kaderregeling revised on 12-09-2017
8.1.3	Application and Registration Regulation (RAI)	CvB ordinance 8-10-2019 (annually)
10.4.2	'Gedragscode vreemde taal' (Code of Conduct for foreign languages)	CvB ordinance 20-07-2009
11.1.1	Academic development	Bachelor-richtlijn, revised on 6 June 2017
11.2	Major	Bachelor-richtlijn, revised on 6 June 2017
12.1	Elective period (first semester, 3rd year)	Bachelor-richtlijn, revised on 6 June 2017
12.2.1	Participation in university minor	CvB ordinance Profileringsruimte 22-11-2010



Appendix IV

Article 2.1 of the Higher Education and Research (Implementation) Act (*Uitvoeringsbesluit*) (*English underneath*)

- 1 De persoonlijke omstandigheden bedoeld in de artikelen 7.8b, derde lid, en 7.9, derde lid, van de wet, zijn uitsluitend:
- a. ziekte van betrokkene,
- b. lichamelijke, zintuiglijke of andere functiestoornis van betrokkene,
- c. zwangerschap van betrokkene,
- d. bijzondere familie-omstandigheden,
- e. het lidmaatschap, daaronder begrepen het voorzitterschap, van:
 - 1. bij universiteiten: de universiteitsraad, faculteitsraad, het orgaan dat is ingesteld op grond van de medezeggenschapsregeling, bedoeld in artikel 9.30, derde lid, onderscheidenlijk artikel 9.51, tweede lid, van de wet, het bestuur van een opleiding of de opleidingscommissie, alsmede het lidmaatschap van het bestuur van een stichting die blijkens haar statuten tot doel heeft de exploitatie van voorzieningen, behorende tot de studentenvoorzieningen, dan wel van een daarmee naar het oordeel van het instellingsbestuur gelet op de taak gelijk te stellen orgaan,
 - 2. bij hogescholen: de medezeggenschapsraad, deelraad, studentencommissie of opleidingscommissie.
- f. andere in de regelingen, bedoeld in de artikelen 7.8b, zesde lid, en 7.9, vijfde lid, van de wet door het instellingsbestuur aan te geven omstandigheden waarin betrokkene activiteiten ontplooit in het kader van de organisatie en het bestuur van de zaken van de instelling,
- g. het lidmaatschap van het bestuur van een studentenorganisatie van enige omvang met volledige rechtsbevoegdheid, dan wel van een vergelijkbare organisatie van enige omvang, bij wie de behartiging van het algemeen maatschappelijk belang op de voorgrond staat en die daartoe daadwerkelijk activiteiten ontplooit. h. andere in de onderwijs- en examenregeling, bedoeld in artikel 7.13 van de wet, op grond van artikel 7.13, tweede lid, onderdeel f, van de wet, vast te leggen persoonlijke omstandigheden,
- i. andere dan in de onderdelen a tot en met h bedoelde persoonlijke omstandigheden die, indien zij door het instellingsbestuur niet in de beoordeling zouden worden betrokken, zouden leiden tot een onbillijkheid van overwegende aard.
- 2 Het instellingsbestuur kan voor de toepassing van het eerste lid, onderdeel g, nadere regels vaststellen omtrent het aantal bestuursleden dat ten hoogste per organisatie per studiejaar in aanmerking komt, zomede omtrent welke bestuursfuncties in aanmerking komen.



Appendix IV (English)

Article 2.1 of the Higher Education and Research (Implementation) Act Entered into force on 1 June 2018

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- 1. The extenuating personal circumstances referred to in Article 7.8b, paragraph 3 and 7.9, paragraph 3 of the Act (WHW) are limited to:
- a. illness of the person concerned,
- b. physical, sensory or other impairment of the person concerned,
- c. pregnancy of the woman concerned,
- d. extenuating family circumstances,
- e. membership, including the chairmanship of:
 - 1. universities: the university council, faculty council, the body established under the participation regulation referred to in Article 9.30, paragraph 3 or Article 9.51, paragraph 2 of the Act, the programme management or the Programme Committee, or membership on the board of a foundation whose bylaws allow for the exploitation of facilities belonging to the student services, or an equivalent body with regard to its activities in the opinion of the board of the institution,
 - 2. universities of applied sciences: the participation council, district council, student committee or Programme Committee.
- f. other circumstances to be designated by the board of the institution in the regulation as referred to in Article 7.8b, paragraph 6 and Article 7.9, paragraph 5 of the Act in which the person concerned engages in activities within the framework of the organization and the administration of the affairs of the institution, g. membership on the board of a student organization of a certain size with full legal capacity, or a similar organization of a certain size, whose primary task regards general societal interest and which actually develops activities for this purpose.
- h. other personal circumstances set out in the Teaching and Examination Regulations as referred to in Article 7.13 of the Act, pursuant to Article 7.13, paragraph 2, clause f of the Act,
- i. personal circumstances other than those referred to in a h above which, if overlooked by the governing bodies of the institution, would lead to an obviously unfair outcome.
- 2. The institutional board may, for the purposes of the first paragraph, part g, establish specific rules regarding the maximum number of eligible board members per organization per academic year, as well as the eligible administrative offices.



Section B1: Programme specific – general provisions

7. General programme information and characteristics

Article 7.1 Study programme information

Ī	1.	The programme Media, Art, Design and Architecture CROHO number 55822 is offered	Advice OLC;
		on a full-time basis.	approval FGV
			(7.13 i)

Article 7.2 Teaching formats used and modes of assessment

1.	The degree programme uses the following teaching formats:	Advice OLC;
	• Lecture	approval FGV
	• Seminar	(7.13 x)
	• Excursion	
	• Internship	
	Computer practice	
	Tutorial	
2.	The degree programme uses the following modes of assessment:	Advice OLC;
	Written exam	approval FGV
	Oral exam	(7.13 l)
	Take home exam	
	Digital exam	
	Written assignment/paper	
	• Presentation	
	• Participation	
	Internship report	
	• Thesis	

Article 7.3 Academic student counselling

1.	The programme offers the following counselling in addition to the student	Advice OLC;
	counselling mentioned in Section A: mentorship.	approval FGV (7.13 u)

8. Further admission requirements

Article 8.1 Additional previous education requirements

1.	Students who meet the previous education requirements as stipulated in the current 'Regulations on Additional Prior Education Requirements for Higher Education' (Regeling nadere vooropleidingseisen hoger Onderwijs - OCW) will gain access to the programme.	Legal provision
2.	Students who do not meet the previous education requirements as stipulated in 'Regulations on Additional Prior Education Requirements for Higher Education' currently in force may still be admitted to the programme by successfully completing one or more of the following exams: <i>not applicable</i> .	Exception in WHW: advice OLC
3.	The language requirements and conditions for registration are included in the Application and Registration Regulation of the Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam	Ordinance CvB, see appendix 3



4. Students who do not meet the previous education requirements but have successfully completed the first year of a higher professional education programme can gain admission to the programme by successfully completing the following tests:
For the bilingual track:

Dutch 6 VWO
English 6 VWO

For the English track:

English 6 VWO

Article 8.2 Colloquium doctum (entrance examination)

History 6 VWO or Dutch 6 VWO

1.	Persons aged 21 years and older who do not meet the requirements for previous education can submit a request to the Executive Board to take an entrance examination (colloquium doctum), as stipulated in Article 7.29 of the WHW. Students can gain access to the programme by successfully completing the following tests:	Advice OLC; approval FGV (9.38 sub b)	
	For the bilingual track: - Dutch 6 VWO - English 6 VWO - One of the following: History 6 VWO, German 6 VWO, French 6 VWO, Mathematics 6 VWO		
	For the English track: - English 6 VWO - Two of the following: History 6 VWO, German 6 VWO, French 6 VWO, Mathematics 6 VWO, Dutch 6 VWO		
2.	The proof that the entrance examination has been passed, only provides entitlement to admission to the intended programme or programmes for the academic year after the examination was taken.	Advice OLC; approval FGV (9.38 sub b)	

9. Interim examinations and results

Article 9.1 Sequence of interim examinations

1.	Students may participate in interim examinations of the educational components below only if they have passed the interim examination or examinations for the educational components mentioned hereinafter:	Advice OLC; approval FGV (7.13 h, 7.13 s/t)		
	ticipation in the courses of the 2nd year after having passed the courses Academic glish or Research Methods.			
Par	Participation in the courses of semester 2 of year 3 after having passed all courses of year 1 and all courses of the chosen specialization of year 2.			
The	bachelor's thesis and the bachelor's thesis colloquium after passing all the courses of first and second year.			

Article 9.2 Validity period for results

1. If the student's knowledge assessed is demonstrably outdated, or if the student's skills assessed are demonstrably outdated, the Examination Board may impose a

Advice OLC; approval FGV (7.13 k)



supplementary or replacement examination for a course for which an examination was passed more than 6 years ago.

Section B2: Programme specific – content of programme

10. Programme objectives, specializations, exit qualifications and language

Article 10.1 Programme objective

See appendix 4.	Advice OLC;
	(7.13 a)

Article 10.2 Tracks and/or specializations

The pro	gramme has the following tracks	Approval OLC;	
-	English	(7.13 b)	
-	Bilingual		
Each tra	nck has the following specializations:		
-	Media		
-	Art		
-	Design		
-	Architecture		

Article 10.3 Exit qualifications

1.	See appendix 4.	Approval OLC
		(7.13 c)
2.	Language proficiency may be taken into account in the assessment of (interim)	Approval OLC
	examinations.	(7.13 c)

Article 10.4 Language of instruction and language test

1.	The language of instruction of the English track is English. The language of instruction of the Bilingual track is Dutch and English.	Approval OLC (9.18)
2.	The 'Gedragscode vreemde taal' (code of conduct foreign languages) applies	Ordinance CvB, see appendix 3
3.	At the start of the first year of study every student must complete a diagnostic	Advice OLC;
	language test. Students of the English track must complete the test in English,	(7.13 a)
	students of the bilingual track must complete the test in Dutch.	
4.	Any student who does not achieve a pass in the language test must take the	Approval OLC
	'Refresher Course' organized by the Language Desk (Taalloket).	(7.13 c)
5.	The language test is part of the following educational component: Acva Kunst en	Approval OLC
	Cultuur (bilingual track) or Academic Skills Arts and Culture (English track). A mark can	(7.13 c)
	only be registered if the student has successfully completed the requirements of the	
	educational component, including a pass in the language test or completing the	
	Refresher Course.	



11. Curriculum structure

Article 11.1 Academic development

1.	Academic development is part of the study programme. This includes:	Ordinance CvB,
	(1) Academic skills/critical reasoning	see appendix 3
	(2) Methods & techniques	
	(3) Philosophical training	

Article 11.2 Major

1.	The major comprises a package of compulsory and possibly optional units of study.	Ordinance CvB,
		see appendix 3
2.	In addition, units of study are categorized as introductory (100), in-depth (200) and	Ordinance CvB,
	advanced (300) level.	see appendix 3

Article 11.3 Compulsory educational components of the major

See appendix 5. A detailed description per educational component can be found in the	Advice OLC;
Study Guide.	(7.13 a)

Article 11.4 Elective educational components of the major

See appendix 5. A detailed description per educational component can be found in the	Advice OLC;
Study Guide.	(7.13 a)

Article 11.5 Practical exercise

Name of educational component	course code	nr of EC	level	Approval OLC (7.13 d)
Ba-scriptie MKDA	L_AABAMKDSCR	9	300	
Excursie Buitenland (M+D)	L_AABAMKD209	6	200	
Excursie Buitenland (K+A)	L_AABAMKD208	6	200	
Stage MKDA	L_AABAMKDSTA	12	300	

Article 11.6 Participation in practical exercises and seminars

1.	In the case of a practical exercise, the student must attend at least 80 % of the practical sessions. Should the student attend less than 80 %, they must repeat the practical sessions, or the Examination Board may issue one or more supplementary assignments.	Approval OLC (7.13 d)
2.	In the case of a seminar, the student must attend at least 80 % of the practical sessions. Should the student attend less than 80 %, they must repeat the practical sessions, or the Examination Board may issue one or more supplementary assignments.	Approval OLC (7.13 d)

12. Electives

Article 12.1 Elective period

3.	Th	e first semester of the third year of the curriculum comprises elective educational	Ordinance CvB,
	со	mponents.	see appendix 3
4.	Fo	r this elective period, the student can take:	Ordinance CvB,
	a)	a minor (a coherent package of related educational components)	see appendix 3
	b)	individual choice of at least five educational components at the faculty or	
		elsewhere, of which at least two (12 EC) must be at level 300.	



	c) an internship (12 EC) and three educational components (18 EC)	
3.	Prior consent must be obtained from the Examination Board.	Ordinance CvB,
		see appendix 3

Article 12.2 Minors

1.	The student who meets the admission requirements can take a 'University minor'	Ordinance CvB,
	without prior consent from the Examination Board. The 'University minors' are listed	see appendix 3
	on the VU website.	
2.	Without the prior permission of the Examination Board, the student may take one of	Advice OLC;
	the minors listed in appendix 3 (overview of faculty minors)	(7.13a)
3.	If an educational component from a minor is a compulsory component within the Ba	
	MKDA curriculum, this educational component must be replaced by another	
	educational component with permission from the Examination Board.	

13. Honours programme

Article 13.1 Honours components

The faculty part of the Honours Programme is composed as mentioned in appendix 2.	Advice OLC;
	(7.13 a)

14. Binding recommendation on continuation of studies (BSA)

Article 14.1 Binding (negative) recommendation

1.	In order to obtain a positive recommendation on continuation of studies, the s	
	must have obtained:	(7.13 f)
	a) at least 42 EC by the end of the first year of enrolment,	
	b) and have met the following quality requirements: having completed the co	ourse
	Acva Kunst en Cultuur (Bilingual) or Academic Skills Arts and Culture (Engli	ish)
	including the language test.	
2.	Students who receive a binding negative recommendation on continuation of	
	cannot enrol in the following Bachelor's programme(s) offered by the Faculty of	during the (7.13 f)
	subsequent three academic years: Ba Media, Art, Design and Architecture.	

15. Evaluation and transitional provisions

Article 15.1 Evaluation of the education

1.	The education provided in this programme is evaluated in accordance with appendix 1.	Approval OLC
	The faculty evaluation plan offers the framework.	(7.13 a1)

Article 15.2 Transitional provisions

By way of departure from the Teaching and Exam following transitional provisions apply for student previous set of Teaching and Examination Regulat	s who started the programme under a	Advice OLC (7.13 a)	
Cancelled course	Replacement course		
Ouverture L_KBBAMKD101	Benaderingen van de Visuele en Materiële Cultuur L_KBBAMKD110		
Cultuurgeschiedenis voor MKDA L_GABAMKD101	Cultural History L_GABAMKD102		



Historisch overzicht MKDA: Vroegmodern	Geschiedenis van Media, Kunst, Design en
L_AABAMKD107	Architectuur: Vroegmodern L_AABAMKD112
Historisch overzicht MKDA: Modern L_AABAMKD108	History of MADA: Modern L_AABAMKD115
Historisch overzicht MKDA: Hedendaags	History of MADA: Contemporary
L_AABAMKD109	L_AABAMKD116
Binnenlandse Excursie L_AABAMKD106	The Netherlands TM L_AABAMKD117
Actualiteiten L_AABAMKD304	Current Debates in Art and Culture
	L_AABAMKD306
Grafische vormgeving L_ZABAMKD201	Graphic Design L_ZABAMKD207

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Appendices

- 1. Evaluation of education in the Faculty
- 2. <u>Honours Programme</u>
- 3. Minors 2020-2021
- 4. Programme objective and exit qualifications
- 5. <u>Programme overviews</u>



Appendix 4 Programme objective and exit qualifications

The following attainment goals and objectives of the Bachelor's degree program in Media, Art, Design, and Architecture specify the levels of knowledge, understanding and skills that students are to have reached upon successful completion of the program. These are in line with the Dublin descriptors I to V. The BA program Media, Art, Design and Architecture (MKDA) focuses on the history and theory of media, art, design, and architecture. The program does this from a broad social and cultural-historical perspective, which includes the analysis of the meaning of visual and material culture in our contemporary, multimedia and globalizing society. A combination of courses from the four components within MKDA stimulates multidisciplinarity and interdisciplinarity of various media and provides four specializations in total. MKDA intends for students to acquire specialist knowledge of one of the specializations of Media, Art, Design or Architecture over the course of their studies, and to have a vision of the role of visual and material culture in society as a whole. The program aims to train students to become critical experts in the study of images, objects, and space, and how they function in today's society.

The specializations, with regard to objects and genres of research, include:

- 1) Media: film, television and digital media, ca. 1850 to the present day;
- 2) Art: visual art (painting and drawing, sculpture, prints, new media), ca. 1400 to the present day;
- 3) Design: fashion, (applied) arts, typography, graphic design, and living culture, with an emphasis on the period 1750 to the present;
- 4) Architecture: architecture, living culture, urban design and landscape architecture, ca. 1400 to the present.

I KNOWLEDGE AND INSIGHT [Dublin Descriptor 1] Students have a level of knowledge of and insight into historical developments and current contexts pertaining to visual and material culture of the Western culture area (from the past and up to today's globalizing world), which allows them to situate works in their context of emergence at both a general level and – regarding their main subject – a detailed level. Students have a level of knowledge of and insight into the production, distribution and reception of objects of visual and material culture, which allows them to deploy this knowledge/insight - supported by careful arguments - for comparing works of MKDA in general and research within their selected main subject in particular. Students have such level knowledge of the western history of visual and material culture from the past and up to our contemporary globalising world that they are capable of productively relating this knowledge to the main subjects of MKDA. Students are capable of applying general knowledge about MKDA in order to deepen their knowledge of and insight into the main research methods and frameworks of their selected main subject. II APPLYING KNOWLEDGE AND INSIGHT / JUDGEMENT [Dublin descriptors 2 and 3] Students have the competence to analyse objects of research within their selected main subject critically, based on relevant terms and concepts, and to problematize them in a wider and comparative field of visual and material culture. Students are able to consider methods and questions of visual and material culture critically and apply them at a sophisticated level to cases of their selected main subject, whereby they also demonstrate a sound understanding of perspectives and texts in terms of their structure, logic and argumentation. Students are capable of independently performing content-related tasks in a professional context relevant to MKDA - like in a museum, gallery, archive, library, cultural business - and at a third-year MKDA level, such as by conducting additional research for an exhibition during an internship or textual research for a publishing house, an educational service or another cultural media institution. III COMMUNICATION [Dublin Descriptor 4]



8 Students are capable of clearly presenting – both orally and in writing – a logical and well-supported argument based on their knowledge and skills regarding visual and material culture in general and their selected main subject in particular to fellow-students/scholars and a wider audience but also in specific professional contexts.

IV LEARNING SKILLS [Dublin Descriptor 5]

- 9 Students are able to work independently with library catalogues, visual collections and relevant documentation tools (like written and digital repertories and lexicons), in a way that allows them to gather useful data for developing a research question tied to their main subject's required level.
- Students are capable of developing a scholarly problem critically and independently in a written text of some 7000-10,000 words (excluding notes, list of references and possible annexes) under supervision of a qualified staff member.
- 11 Students have the proper learning skills for using their acquired theoretical and practical knowledge about visual and material culture in a follow-up curriculum at the (Research) Master level, or for entering a profession for which the BA level in either their selected main subject or an interdisciplinary combination of MKDA-degree trajectories suffices.
- Students developed a basic sense of a variety of professional fields relevant to their selected main subject and have basic knowledge about the interrelated professional institutions.

