Teaching and Examination Regulations

Master programme in Artificial Intelligence
Faculty of Science

Academic year 2020-2021

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Section A: Faculty section

1. General provisions

Article 1.1 Applicability of the Regulations

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<td>1.</td>
<td>These Regulations apply to anyone enrolled in the programme, irrespective of the academic year in which the student was first enrolled in the programme.</td>
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<td>These Regulations enter into force on 1 September 2020</td>
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<td>3.</td>
<td>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.</td>
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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. double degree programme: joint programme in the context of cooperation between Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam and the educational institution within and outside the Netherlands, as to gain a double university degree; of the VU and the educational institution concerned; though not being the same as a ‘joint degree programme’ according to the art. 7.3c WHW’;

d. EC (European Credit): an EC credit with a workload of 28 hours of study;

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

f. examination: the final examination of the Master’s programme;

g. exemption: Exemption from an examination/ practical/ fieldwork based on an earlier successfully completed examination, or knowledge / skills of a similar content, level and scope gained outside higher education;

h. FGV: Faculty joint assembly – assembly of the faculty student council and faculty staff council;

i. 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;

j. 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;

k. OLC: programme committee;
l. period: a part of a semester;
m. practical exercise: the participation in a practical training or other educational learning activity, aimed at acquiring certain (academic) skills. Examples of practical exercises are:
   • researching and writing a thesis or dissertation
   • carrying out a research assignment
   • taking part in fieldwork or an excursion
   • taking part in another educational learning activity aimed at acquiring specific skills, or
   • participating in and completing a work placement;

n. programme: the totality and cohesion of the course components, teaching activities/methods, contact hours, testing and examination methods and recommended literature;
o. SAP/SLM: the student information system (Student Lifecycle Management);
p. semester: the first (September - January) or second half (February - August) of an academic year;
q. specialization: optional route of study within a degree programme indicating a deepening of the (inter/multi) disciplinary context of the programme;
r. 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/;
s. study monitor: dashboard for students and academic advisors with data of the student and that provides insight into the student’s study progress;
t. subject: see ‘educational component’;
u. substituting course/educational component: see under c (double degree programme). A course obtained at the educational institute, within the context of cooperation, that is mentioned in the diploma supplement as such; not being an ‘exemption’.
v. Track: full route of study within a broad bachelor's or master's degree programme or a fully English-language route of study within a Dutch-language bachelor's or master’s degree;
w. Thesis/internship work placement: scientific research, always resulting in a written report;
x. university: Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam;
y. WHW: the Dutch Higher Education and Research Act (Wet op het Hoger Onderwijs en Wetenschappelijk Onderzoek);
z. 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

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<td>The study programme will be offered in a year divided into two semesters.</td>
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<td>Every semester consists of three consecutive periods of eight, eight and four weeks</td>
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### 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.

2. Signing up may only take place in the designated periods.

3. If a student does not pass the examination and the resit of a component, the student is obligated to take the whole component again. This rule does not apply to practical exercises and programmes that make use of partial marks that retain their validity. For further regulations see Section B of the programme involved.

#### Article 3.2 Type of examination

1. At the examiner’s request, the Examination Board may permit a different form of interim examination than is stipulated in the study guide.

#### Article 3.3 Oral interim examinations

1. An oral assessment is public unless the Examination Board in special cases determines otherwise.

#### 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 fifteen working days. By way of departure from that stipulated in the first clause, the marking deadline for theses, internships/ work placements and final assignments 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.

2. a. The examiner determines the result (i.e. mark) of an oral examination as soon as possible, but at the latest within one working day after the examination has finished and informs the student accordingly. The third sentence of the first paragraph applies. b. The examiner determines the result of an interim examination no later than five working days before the next (interim) examination will be held.

3. In the case of alternative forms of oral or written examinations, the Examination Board determines in advance how and by what deadline the student will be informed of the results.

#### Article 3.5 Examination opportunities

1. a. Per academic year, two opportunities to take examinations per educational component will be offered.
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 passed and failed units of study.

3. The resit for a (partial) interim examination must not take place within ten working days of the announcement of the result of the (partial) examination being resat.

4. The Examination Board may allow a student an extra opportunity to sit an examination if that student:
   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 Master’s thesis. Requests for an additional examination opportunity must be submitted to the Examination Board no later than 15 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 following academic year, one opportunity will be provided to sit the interim examination(s) or parts thereof during the current academic year and a transitional arrangement for the subsequent period will be included in the programme-specific section of the teaching and examination regulation (part B).

Article 3.6 Marks

1. Partial marks are given on a scale from 1 to 10 with no more than one decimal point.

2. The final marks are given in whole or half points.

3. In deviation from paragraph 2, final marks between 5 and 6 will be rounded off to whole marks: up to 5.50 rounded down; from 5.50 rounded up. To pass a course, a 6 or higher is required.

   In case the examination of a component consists of two or more parts, each of which are graded separately, the (weighted) mean of these marks (meaning: the final mark) must be rounded off using the following table:

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4. The Examination Board can allow to use symbols rather than numbers, for example; v(oldaan), g(oed), n(iet)v(oldaan), etc.). In case a student does not take part in any (interim) examination, the examiner will register the mark ‘ns’ (c.q. no show).

Ordinance CvB, see appendix 3

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 the student has sufficient knowledge and skills with regard to the relevant course component.

Advice OLC; approval FGV (7.13 r)

2. The Master’s thesis, the final work placement (c.q. internship) and the final project (c.q. final paper) are excluded from this exemption possibility.

Advice OLC; approval FGV (9.38 sub b)

3. A maximum of 18 EC for a one-year master programme and 36 EC for a one two-year master programme can be accumulated through granted exemption. The substituting courses (educational components) are not included.

This regulation does not apply if a student is (simultaneously) enrolled in multiple programmes, which lead to multiple degrees, where courses may be part of both programmes.

The Examination Board may decide to deviate from this regulation for a programme.

Advice OLC

Article 3.8 Validity period for results

1. The validity period of interim examinations passed and exemption from interim examinations is unlimited, unless otherwise specified in Section B.

Legal provision

2. The validity period of a partial examination is limited to the academic year in which it was sat or until the end of the unit of study concerned, as stipulated for the relevant unit of study in Section B.

Advice OLC; approval FGV (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, the student can, on request, inspect their assessed work, the questions and assignments set in it, as well as the standards applied for marking.

The place and time will be announced at the time of the interim examination or on VUnet or Canvas.

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. Academic student counselling and study progress

Article 4.1 Administration of study progress and academic student counselling

1. The faculty board is responsible for the correct registration of the students’ study results. After the assessment of an educational component has been registered, every student has the right to inspect the result for that component and also has a list of the results achieved at their disposal in VUnet.

2. Enrolled students are eligible for academic student counselling. Academic student counselling is in any case provided by
   a. The Student General Counselling Service
   b. Student psychologists
   c. Faculty academic advisors

Article 4.2 Facilities for students with a disability

1. A student with a disability can, at the moment of submission to VUnet, 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.

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.

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.

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 rule on requests for facilities with regard to examinations.

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 provisions.

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.

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 Examination Board will advise the Faculty Board on the necessary measures to be taken. The student can consult the study monitor to check which facilities have been granted.

8. The decision as referred to in paragraph 5 is valid for a maximum period of one year with the exception for the chronic diseases and disabilities.
5. Hardship clause

Article 5.1 Hardship clause

In instances not regulated by the Teaching and Examination Regulations or in the event of demonstrable extreme unreasonableness and unfairness, the faculty board responsible for the study programme will decide, unless the matter concerned is the responsibility of the Examination Board.

Advice OLC; approval FGV (9.38 sub b)
Section B1: Programme specific – general provisions

6. General programme information and characteristics

Article 6.1 Study programme information

1. The programme Msc Artificial Intelligence, CROHO number 66981, is offered on a full-time basis.

Article 6.1a Deviant size of educational component

By way of derogation from art. 2.1 par. 3, the units listed below have deviant size of 3 EC:

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<td>Perception for Action</td>
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<td>B_ENERFLOW</td>
<td>Energy Flow Models</td>
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Article 6.2 Teaching formats used and modes of assessment

1. The programme uses the teaching formats as specified in the study guide.

2. The modes of assessment used per educational component are specified in the study guide.

Article 6.3 Academic student counselling

1. The programme offers the following counselling in addition to the student counselling mentioned in Section A:
   - Study Advisor

7. Further admission requirements

Article 7.1 Intake date(s)

1. The programme starts on September 1.

Article 7.2 Admission requirements

1. Admission to the Master’s programme is possible for an applicant who has obtained a Bachelor’s degree obtained at an institution of academic higher education, which demonstrates the following knowledge, understanding and skills:
   a) Applicants will be admitted to the degree programme if they hold a letter of acceptance, issued by or on behalf of the Faculty Board because they have demonstrated that they meet the knowledge, understanding and skills requirements of the final level of attainment in a university Bachelor’s degree programme.
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<td>Applicants who wish to follow a track must, in addition to the provisions in paragraph 1, also meet the following requirements with regard to:</td>
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<td>- Not applicable</td>
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<td>3.</td>
<td>Applicants with a bachelor’s degree obtained at an institution outside the Netherlands may be asked for additional methods to prove that they meet the admission requirements.</td>
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<td>4.</td>
<td>An applicant should demonstrate sufficient level of proficiency in English by meeting at least one of the following standards, no more than two (2) years before the start of the programme at the VU:</td>
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<td>- (academic) IELTS: 6.5</td>
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<td>- TOEFL paper based test: 580</td>
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<td>- TOEFL internet based test: 92</td>
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<td>5.</td>
<td>Applicants who:</td>
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<td>- completed an English-taught secondary or higher education degree in Canada, the United States, the United Kingdom, Ireland, New Zealand or Australia or</td>
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<td>- have earned a Bachelor’s or Master’s degree in an English-taught programme accredited by NVAO in the Netherlands, or</td>
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<td>- have earned a Bachelor’s or Master’s degree in an accredited English-taught programme in another member state of the European Union</td>
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<td>- have obtained a Cambridge Certificate of Proficiency in English (CPE) or a Cambridge Certificate of Advanced English (CAE) with at least a score of A,B,C are exempted from the requirements referred to in paragraph 4.</td>
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<td>6.</td>
<td>The Admission Board will decide whether the applicant meets the admission requirements.</td>
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### Article 7.3 Selection criteria

1. In addition to the admission requirements referred to in Article 7.2, the Faculty board also sets (at least two of) the following selection criteria:
   a. talent and motivation;
   b. level of relevant knowledge and understanding;
   c. proficiency in methods and techniques;
   d. academic attitude and critical thinking;
   e. proficiency in the language(s) of instruction
Article 7.4 Pre-Master’s programme

1. Applicants with a Bachelor’s degree of a university of applied science (HBO) or a Bachelor’s degree from an institution of academic higher education who wish to enter the programme but do not fulfill the admission requirements as stipulated in Article 7.2
   a) Students with a Bachelor’s degree of a university of applied science (HBO) in a field that corresponds to a sufficient extent with the subject area covered by the Master’s programme can request admission to the pre-Master’s programme.
   b) Students with a Bachelor’s degree from an institution of academic higher education in a field that does not sufficiently corresponds with the subject area covered by the Master’s programme can request admission to the pre-Master’s programme.

2. Further conditions and the procedure are set out in the relevant Pre-Master regulation of the faculty

8. Interim examinations and results

Article 8.1 Sequence of interim examinations

1. Students may participate in interim examinations and/or practical exercises of the components below only if they have passed the interim examination or examinations for the components mentioned hereinafter:
   - Not applicable

Article 8.2 Validity period for results

1. The validity period of the interim examinations and exemptions from interim examinations below, is limited as follows:
   a. the academic year in which the examination took place
   If necessary, the examiner may decide to extend the validity of interim examinations and exemptions from interim examinations under extenuating circumstances

2. A student may request the Examination Board to extend the validity of an exam. If the exam shows that a student’s knowledge is insufficient or outdated, or if the student’s skills and insights evaluated in the exam are demonstrably outdated, the Examination Board may impose a supplementary examination, impose a replacement examination or refuse to extend the period of validity.

3. In situations where a limited period of validity applies, the period of validity of examinations may be extended in the event of extenuating circumstances as stipulated in WHW Article 7.51, paragraph 2, with at least the period of allocated financial assistance specified in WHW Article 7.15, paragraph 1.
Section B2: Programme specific – content of programme

9. Programme objectives, tracks/specializations, exit qualifications and language

Article 9.1 Workload
1. The programme has a workload of 120 EC

Article 9.2 Tracks and/or specializations
The programme has the following tracks and/or specializations:
- Cognitive Science

Article 9.3 Programme objective
The programme aims at: providing the student with the knowledge, experience and insights needed to autonomously carry out his/her professional duties. The programme is designed to prepare the student for further education as a scientific researcher (PhD studies) as well as to offer a solid basis for a career in business at an academic level. Moreover, the programme aims to educate the student to acquire a practical understanding of the position of the field of Artificial Intelligence within a broad scientific, philosophical and societal context.

Students who want to take the Master’s programme in Artificial Intelligence are expected to possess basic knowledge and skills in the field at Bachelor’s level, including skills and attitudes of a general academic nature. The aim of the Master’s programme is to extend and enhance the knowledge and skills acquired at Bachelor’s level and, by concentrating on a specific area within the field of Artificial Intelligence, to lead the student towards the frontiers of design and application or towards some of the major research issues in his/her chosen specialization.

Article 9.4 Exit qualifications
1. At all events, a graduate of the study programme will have:
   - knowledge and understanding in the field of Artificial Intelligence
   The objectives of the master can be specified into final qualifications. To comply with international standards these qualifications are presented below in terms of the Dublin descriptors for the master’s profile.

   A. Knowledge and Understanding
   The master demonstrates knowledge and understanding in a field of study that builds upon and supersedes their bachelor’s degree. Knowledge, understanding, and abilities are typically at a level at which the master is able to formulate a feasible research plan in one’s own specialisation.

   We distinguish three levels of qualification: a basic understanding, corresponding to the minimal level of knowledge that is expected of a Bachelor student, an advanced understanding, meaning students must have in-depth knowledge about a topic that they could easily develop to become a specialist, and specialist knowledge, meaning students are highly skilled (and specialised) in the key area in question.
Qualifications:
1. Basic understanding of all (8) key areas of Artificial Intelligence. The 8 key areas are:
   - Cognitive Science Computational Linguistics;
   - Context of Artificial Intelligence (History, Philosophy, Ethics);
   - Intelligent Autonomous Agents and Multi-Agent Systems;
   - Interaction (Perception, Human-Computer Interaction, Communication);
   - Knowledge Representation and Reasoning;
   - Machine Learning;
   - Problem Solving (Search, Decision Making, Optimisation).
2. An advanced understanding in some of the key areas of Artificial Intelligence;
3. Specialist knowledge of at least one of the key areas in Artificial Intelligence, up to a level that the master can appreciate the forefront of research in that field;
4. Has a solid academic knowledge of and insight in the field of hybrid artificial intelligence, including the required background knowledge of socially aware artificial intelligence, ambient intelligence, and ubiquitous computing, which builds upon and goes beyond the level of a Bachelor degree in any of those disciplines;
5. Has basic knowledge of physiological, psychological, or social aspects of human functioning that can be exploited in socially aware artificially Intelligent systems.

B. Applying Knowledge and Understanding
Masters can apply their knowledge and understanding in a manner that indicates a scientific approach to their work or vocation. They are able to handle complex and ill-defined problems for which it is not a priori known if there is an appropriate solution, how to acquire the necessary information to solve the sub-problems involved, and for which there is no standard or reliable route to the solution.

Qualifications:
1. The ability to formulate a project plan for an open problem in a field related to Artificial Intelligence in general and the own specialisation in particular.
2. The ability to determine the feasibility of a proposal to lead to a solution or design as specified.
3. The ability to contribute autonomously and with minimal supervision to an interdisciplinary project team and to profit from the abilities, the knowledge, and the contributions of other team members.
4. The ability to choose, apply, formulate, and validate models, theories, hypotheses, and ideas from the key areas of Artificial Intelligence.
5. The ability to submit an argument in the exact sciences (or humanities) to critical appraisal and to incorporate its essence in the solution of Artificial Intelligence problems.
6. The ability to translate academic knowledge and expertise into social, professional, economic, and ethical contexts.
7. Awareness of, and responsibility concerning, the ethical, normative and social consequences of developments in science and technology, particularly resulting from original contributions.

C. Making Judgments
The master is able to formulate an opinion or course of action on the basis of incomplete, limited and in part unreliable information.

Qualifications:
1. Competence in the search and critical processing of all sources of information that help to solve an open and ill-defined problem;
2. The ability to demonstrate a professional attitude conform the (international) scientific conduct in Artificial Intelligence;
3. The ability to provide and receive academic criticism conform the standards in one specialization of Artificial Intelligence-research;
4. The ability to formulate an opinion and to make judgments that include social and ethical responsibilities related to the application of one’s own contributions;
5. The master is able to judge the quality of his or her work or the work of others from scientific literature.

D. Communication
The master can communicate information, ideas, problems and solutions to audiences of specialist in (other) research areas and to a general audience.

Qualifications:
The master has academically appropriate communicative skills; s/he can:
1. Communicate original ideas effectively in written form;
2. Make effective oral presentations, both formally and informally, to a wide range of audiences;
3. Understand and offer constructive critiques of the presentations of others.

E. Learning Skills
The master has developed those learning skills that are necessary for a successful further career at the highest professional level. The master is able to detect missing knowledge and abilities and to deal with them appropriately.

Qualifications:
1. Being able to reflect upon one’s competences and knowledge and, if necessary, being able to take the appropriate corrective action;
2. The ability to follow current (scientific) developments related to the professional environment;
3. Showing an active attitude towards continued learning throughout a professional career.

2. Without prejudice to the provisions of paragraph 1, a graduate of the track/specialization Cognitive Science will have the following knowledge and understanding in the field of

A. Knowledge and Understanding
1. Has advanced understanding of Cognitive Science;
2. Has knowledge of the experimental methods and findings from research into the cognitive psychology of behaviour;

B. Applying Knowledge and Understanding
1. Can apply empirical methods to improve the understanding of neurobiological processes and phenomena;
2. Is capable of modelling behaviour to create opportunities for simulation and further analysis, exploiting the potential and limits of various representations, coupled with studies of computational mechanisms.

3. Language proficiency may be taken into account in the assessment of (interim) examinations

Article 9.5 Language of instruction

1. The language of instruction is English.
2. The ‘Gedragscode vreemde taal’ (code of conduct foreign languages) applies

10. Curriculum structure

Article 10.1 Composition of the programme

1. The programme comprises at least a package of compulsory components and an individual Master’s thesis or academic internship.

2. Additionally the programme can offer:
   - Practical exercises;
   - Electives

3. Educational components are categorized as specialized (400), research oriented (500) and highly specialized (600) level.

Article 10.2 Compulsory educational components

A detailed description per educational component can be found in the Study Guide.

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Constrained Choice (compulsory at least 1 course)
- Cognitive Psychology and its Application | XM_40010 | 6 | 400 |
- Skills for AI | XM_0077 | 6 | 400 |

Constrained Choice ML (compulsory at least 1 course)
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**Cognitive Science track:**

| Brain Imaging | P_MBRIMAG_AI | 6 | 400 |
| Seminar Cognitive Neuroscience AI | P_MSEMCNS_AI | 6 | 500 |
| Neural Models of Cognitive Processes AI | P_NEUMOD_AI | 6 | 400 |

**Constrained Choice Final Project:**

| M Thesis Rsrch Prjct Cogn. Science | P_MTHRCSC | 30 | 400 |
| Master Project AI | X_400285 | 30 | 600 |

#### Article 10.3 Elective educational components

1. The student can take one or more of the following electives without prior consent from the Examination Board:

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**Language Technology**

| Programming in Python for Text | L_AAMPLIN021 | 6 | 500 |
| Subjectivity Mining | L_AAMPLIN018 | 6 | 500 |
| Language as Data | L_PAMATLW001 | 6 | 400 |
| NLP Experiments From Start to Finish | L_AAMPLIN025 | 6 | 500 |
| Machine Learning for NLP | L_AAMPLIN024 | 6 | 500 |
| Text Mining Domains | L_PAMATLW003 | 6 | 400 |
| Applied Text Mining | L_PAMATLW002 | 6 | 400 |

**Cognitive Science**

| Aging and Age related disorders | P_MAGEDIS | 6 | 400 |
| Memory and Memory Disorders | P_MMMEMORY | 6 | 400 |
| Seminar Attention | P_MSEMMATT | 6 | 400 |
### 2. Students can select courses from the MSc AI at the UvA. If it is not possible to register for these courses directly via the UvA, please contact the Programme Director. Please note that there is a limited capacity for each course. By default the UvA course will count as an extra-curricular course. However, if you want the course to count as an elective, permission must be obtained in writing from the Examinations Board.

3. If the student wishes to take a different educational component than listed, permission must be obtained in writing from the Examinations Board in advance.

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**Brain Imaging**
- P_MBRIMAG_AI
- 6
- 400

**Seminar Cognitive Neuroscience**
- P_MSEMCONS_AI
- 6
- 500

**Neural Models of Cognitive Processes**
- P_NEUMOD_AI
- 6
- 400

**Behaviour Dynamics in Social Networks**
- X_400113
- 6
- 400

**Social Robotics**
- Essentials of Media Psychology  
  - S_EMP
  - 6
  - 400

**Bioinformatics**
- Fundamentals of Bioinformatics  
  - X_405052
  - 6
  - 400

**Application domain: Health Sciences**
- Health psychology  
  - AM_470730
  - 6
  - 400

**Application domain: Human Movement Sciences**
- Energy Flow Models  
  - B_ENERFLOW
  - 3
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**Application domain: Criminology**
- Spatial Criminology  
  - R_SpaCrim
  - 6
  - 600

**Others**
- ICT4D  
  - X_405101
  - 6
  - 400

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**Article 10.4 Practical exercise**

Not applicable
Article 10.5 Participation in practical training and tutorials

1. In the case of a practical training, the lecturer determines the percentage of attendance of the practical sessions student must attend.

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2. In the case of tutorials, the lecturer determines the percentage of attendance of the tutorials student must attend.

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11. Evaluation and transitional provisions

Article 11.1 Evaluation of the education

1. The education provided in this programme is evaluated in accordance with the document ‘Kwaliteitszorg Onderwijs BETA’.

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Article 11.2 Transitional provisions

By way of departure from the Teaching and Examination Regulations currently in force, the following transitional provisions apply for students who started the programme under a previous set of Teaching and Examination Regulations:

- Not applicable

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Advice and approval by the Programme Committee, on June 2nd, 2020.

Approved by the Faculty Joint Assembly, on June 16th, 2020.

Adopted by the board of the Faculty of Science on July 17th, 2020.
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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Section B2: Programme specific – content of programme

9. Programme objectives, tracks/specializations, exit qualifications and language

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**Appendix II**

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

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### Onderwerpen Onderwijs – en Examenregeling (OER) 7.13 lid 2 WHW

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- 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 de gelegenheid wordt gegeven om een tentamen te schriftelijk af te leggen en inzage in het gediichte werk, behoudens de bevoegdheid van de examencommissie in bijzondere gevallen anders te bepalen
- q. de wijze waarop en de termijn gedurende welke de gelegenheid wordt gegeven om vragen en opdrachten, gesteld of gegeven in het kader van een schriftelijk afgenomen tentamen en van de normen aan de hand waarvan de beoordeeling van de tentamen is beoordeeld, behoudens de bevoegdheid van de examencommissie in bijzondere gevallen anders te bepalen
- 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.*

De lettering komt overeen met de lettering van artikel 7.13 lid 2 WHW

### 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)**

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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
### Appendix III
### Ordinances VU CvB and Binding Guidelines (richtlijn)

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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 ontloopt 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 ontloopt.

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. at 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. at universities of applied science: 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 any size with full legal capacity, or a similar organization of any size, whose primary task regards general societal interest and which actually develops activities for this purpose.

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.
Appendix V
Addendum to the 2020-2021 Academic and Examination Regulations Master’s degree programmes

Several articles for the 2020-2021 academic year will be temporarily suspended or amended as a result of the consequences of the measures to stop the spread of COVID-19. These amendments apply exclusively to the 2020-2021 academic year, which ends 31 August 2021. In this regard, reference is also made to the addendum to the Application and Registration Regulations for the 2020-2021 academic year.

Part B1 Programme-specific section

Article 7.2 Admission requirements

Supplementary to Article 7.2.1, students* are also admissible for the 2020-2021 academic year (start date September 2020) if, at the latest by 31 August 2020 they have earned at least 150 EC of the Bachelor’s programme (university in The Netherlands or EEA (European Economic Area)) that confers entitlement to admission, under the following conditions:

- The Bachelor’s degree certificate must still be obtained before 1 September 2021 or before the Master’s degree certificate is obtained, whichever comes first. If this condition is not met, the student will not be able to continue or complete the Master’s programme.
- Additional admission requirements (not EC related) remain applicable.

they have earned at least 24 EC of the bridging or pre-Master’s programme, under the following conditions:

- The bridging or pre-Master’s programme must still be successfully completed before 1 September 2021 or before the Master’s degree certificate is obtained, whichever comes first. If this condition is not met, the student will not be able to continue or complete the Master’s programme.
- Additional admission requirements (not EC related) remain applicable.

*The above supplements do not apply to non-EEA students who must complete a Bachelor’s programme outside of the Netherlands.

Article 7.4 Bridging or pre-Master’s programme

Supplementary to Article 7.4.1, students* are also admissible for the 2020-2021 academic year (start date September 2020) if, at the latest by 31 August 2020 they have earned at least 210 EC of the designated HBO Bachelor’s programme, under the following conditions:

- The HBO Bachelor’s diploma must still be obtained before 1 September 2021 or before the bridging or pre-Master’s programme is completed, whichever comes first. If this condition is not met, the student will not be able to complete or continue the programme.
- Additional admission requirements (not EC related) remain applicable.

*The above supplements do not apply to non-EEA students who must complete a Bachelor’s programme outside of the Netherlands.