

	UNIVERSITY OF KONSTANZ Regulations on the admission of applicants to the master's programme Mediterranean History	MA 45.0
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§ 1 Application

(1) Enrolment in the master's programme "Mediterranean History" is only possible for the winter semester. The application deadline for enrolment in the winter semester is 30 April. The application for admission, including the required documents, must have been received by the University of Konstanz by the date stated above (cut-off date).

(2) The application for admission must be submitted in the form requested by the university. The application must include:

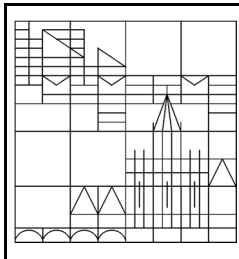
- Documentation of the academic degree (examination certificate) as per § 3 para. 1 including documentation of coursework and performance assessments completed (transcript of records)
- Documentation of English language skills as per § 3 no. 2
- Current curriculum vitae in English
- Letter of motivation in English (two pages), exhibiting the applicant's strong interest in Mediterranean history.

(3) If applicants cannot produce an examination certificate at this point in time, they must prove that they are likely to meet the admission requirements as described in § 3 para. 1 by supplying documentation of their performance assessments to date. In this case, they have to attach the following to their application for admission: a confirmation of the preliminary overall grade, including an overview of the performance assessments completed and ECTS credits, as well as information about the performance assessments that still have to be completed. The entire final examination of the study programme that is the prerequisite for admission to the master's programme must have been completed before the start of the lecture period of the semester that was applied for. The examination certificate has to be submitted no later than 2 months after the start of the semester that was applied for. Enrolment can be granted under the condition that applicants complete and document their qualifying degree within the time limits specified.

§ 2 Competencies

(1) The rector decides whether to accept or reject an application for admission based on the recommendations of an admissions committee.

(2) To prepare the selection decision, the Departmental Council appoints an admissions committee. The committee includes at least two academic staff members with main employment at the university. One member must be a professor.



(3) After the admissions process has ended, the admissions committee informs the Departmental Council about the process and makes suggestions for the further development of the admission procedure.

(4) The members of the Departmental Council have the right to be present during the meetings of the admissions committee, but they are not eligible to vote.

§ 3 Admission requirements

(1) Admission requirement for the master's programme "Mediterranean History": Documentation of a degree with the grade "good" (2.5) or better in a three-year (or more) study programme at a state, or officially recognized, institution of higher education or *Berufsakademie* in history, or a subject related to the bachelor's programme "History" at the University of Konstanz. A subject is considered comparable if the acquired competencies are similar to those that would have been acquired in the subject History at the University of Konstanz. There is no significant difference if contents, learning objectives and examinations largely correspond to the requirements of the study programme at the University of Konstanz. The following undergraduate programmes also may meet the admission requirements:

- History programmes
- Arabic studies
- Archaeology
- Islamic studies
- Romance studies
- Ottoman studies
- Mediterranean regional studies (e.g. Mediterranean studies or Middle Eastern studies)
- Literature and media studies
- Anthropology and sociology
- Political science

(2) A further admission requirement is the documentation of English language skills at level B2 (CEFR). Adequate English language skills (active and passive) can be documented by one of the following language tests or equivalent:

- Five years of continuous English lessons in secondary education with a minimum grade of 9 points or "befriedigend" (satisfactory) or better (usually certified by the higher education entrance qualification)

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- Successful completion of four or more courses taught in English in a previous study programme
- Cambridge First Certificate in English (FCE), at least grade C
- IELTS test result (International English Language Testing System), score 5.5 or better
- TOEFL test result (Test of English as a Foreign Language) of at least 87 points (internet-based), 227 points (computer-based) or 567 points (paper-based).

In justified exceptional cases, English language skills may be proven in an interview. The admissions committee decides on such exceptions. The certificates of the language test must not be more than three years old at the time of the application.

Applicants with a secondary school degree, bachelor's degree or at least one semester abroad spent at educational institutions from the following countries do not have to document their English language skills: Australia, the United Kingdom, Ireland, Canada, Malta, New Zealand, Singapore, South Africa or the United States.

(3) When recognizing BA degrees or equivalent degrees completed outside of Germany, the following have to be considered:

- Recommendations of the *Kultusministerkonferenz, Zentralstelle für ausländisches Bildungswesen* (Standing Conference of the Ministers of Education and Cultural Affairs of the Länder in the Federal Republic of Germany, Central Office for Foreign Education)
- Agreements on Equivalence of the Federal Republic of Germany
- Agreements with partner universities.

(4) Enrolment may be denied if the documents are not submitted by the due date or are incomplete. The university may request that students present the original documents mentioned above when they enrol.

(5) In addition to this, the Admission and Enrolment Regulations of the University of Konstanz apply.

§ 4 Coming into effect

The German version of these regulations comes into effect the day after its publication in the "Amtliche Bekanntmachungen" (Official Announcements) of the University of Konstanz.

Note:

The German legally binding version of these regulations was published in the "Amtliche Bekanntmachungen" (official announcements) of the University of Konstanz No. 33/2023 on 27 April 2023.