



FACULTY OF SCIENCE

## **Addendum to Rules and Guidelines of the Examinations Board MSc Logic Academic year 2019-2020**

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### **Introduction**

Because of the fight against the corona virus, education has been offered digitally as much as possible in the period 15-03-2020 to 31-08-2020 of the academic year 2019-2020. As stated in the hardship clause (Rules and Guidelines of the Examinations Board (*RRvE*) of the MSc Logic article 9), the Examinations Board may make exceptions in cases where the provisions of these regulations are unreasonable and unfair to the student. This addendum contains such exception rules that apply to several students. The provisions of the RRvE Article 11 have been taken into account: Changes will only be made where these are not detrimental to the students' interests. As stated in RRvE Article 1.3, the Examinations Board has taken the following principles into account in her decisions on amendments and has weighed the interests of one principle against that of the other in the event of a conflict:

- a. to uphold the quality and selection requirements of interim and final examinations;
- b. the efficacy of requirements as manifested in, among other things, efforts to minimise delays for students;
- c. to show clemency towards students whose study progress is in danger of being delayed due to circumstances beyond their control.

The additional provisions are shown in the text below in **red** on the applicable articles (in black).

In principle, the requirements with regard to results are maintained.

The Examinations Board points out that the hardship clause can of course also be invoked for the period 15-03-2020 to 31-08-2020. If it can be convincingly demonstrated that there were exceptionally difficult (corona related) circumstances for (part of) the period mentioned, the Examinations Board may be asked to deviate from the applicable rules, including the cum laude rules. Students who wish to submit such a request are asked to discuss this with the study advisor beforehand.

### **Addendum to Article 5.2 Paragraph 2 – Degree classifications (Iudicia)**

1. The Examinations Board assesses whether to add the qualification of cum laude to the diploma.
2. This can and shall be done if
  - a. every component is marked with at least a 7 (seven);
  - b. the result for the Master's thesis is at least an 8 (eight);
  - c. the weighted average of all Master's programme components, excluding the thesis, is at least 8.0;
  - d. the student has not taken more than two resits. **Additionally, a second examination opportunity may have been used for a maximum of two components that the student has taken and has done examination for in the period 15-03-2020 to 31-08-2020;**
  - e. the student has completed the programme within 30 months. **For students who were enrolled in the period 15-03-2020 to 31-08-2020 an addition of 6 months applies on top of the duration set in this paragraph.**

### **Adoption Addendum**

This addendum has been adopted by the Examinations Board of the MSc Logic of the University of Amsterdam on 04 June 2020.