

Information on registering for and withdrawing from pass/fail assessments and examinations in the M.Sc. Mathematics in Data and Technology

Pass/fail assessments are ungraded and, if failed, can be repeated as often as desired (as soon as the corresponding course is offered again).

Examinations, on the other hand, are graded and can only be repeated a few times if they are not passed. Typically, the following applies:

- Written examination courses (written exams) can be repeated twice,
- oral exams (presentations, seminar talks) and oral examinations can be repeated once.

1. Registration for pass/fail assessments and examinations in HISinOne

Registration for all pass/fail assessments and examinations—with the exception of oral examinations for courses in mathematics and the master's thesis—takes place via HISinOne within the designated registration periods.

The registration period is set by the faculty/institute offering the respective course and is always decisive for registration for a course or examination! Late registration after this period has expired is generally not possible!

The registration periods for exams/pass/fail assessments for courses in the winter term 2025/26 winter in HISinOne are – except for seminars, see section 3. – as follows:

Mathematical Institute:

Pass/fail assessments: September 1, 2025 – January 26, 2026

Examinations: October 13, 2025 – January 26, 2026

Faculty of Engineering:

Pass/fail assessments: October 13, 2025 – January 11, 2026

Examinations: December 1, 2025 – January 11, 2026

Institute of Economics:

Examinations: December 15, 2025 – January 15, 2026

(There are no pass/fail assessments for economics courses.)

During the registration period, you can deregister from an exam at any time via HISinOne. Except for seminars and exams registered for in writing with individual appointment arrangements, it is also possible to deregister from exams registered in HISinOne up to seven days before the scheduled exam date. Such deregistration must be done in writing by filling out a [form](#), which must be submitted to the examination office of the Mathematical Institute by the deadline.

Exam registrations that persist after the (extended) deregistration period has expired are legally binding! If you do not take the exam despite registering for it, it will be graded as a failed attempt with a grade of 5.0 (unless you have a medical certificate confirming that you were ill).

Please also note that you can only register and deregister for the first attempt in the manner described above! If you have not passed the first exam or were unable to attend it due to illness, you will automatically be registered by the examination office of the Mathematical Institute for the next possible retake date.

2. Written registration for oral examinations

Many courses offered by the Mathematical Institute that can be chosen as “Elective in Data” require an oral exam in the form of a (roughly) 30-minute examination talk, as do lectures that can be selected as “Advanced Lecture in Numerics/Stochastics.” You can find out which ones these are in the [Course Catalogue with Supplements of the Module Handbooks](#) for the relevant semester.

You must register for these oral examinations using a [form](#), which must also be signed by the designated examiner and then submitted to the examination office of the Mathematical Institute. The exam date is set individually in consultation with the examiner, so there are no fixed registration resp. exam periods for these oral exams, as is the case with written exams. The only requirement is that the completed registration form must be submitted to the examination office of the Mathematical institute *at least three weeks before the scheduled exam date*.

Once you have submitted the registration form to the examination office, your registration for the oral examination in question is legally binding and you can no longer withdraw from it! If you need to retake an examination, you must use the above form to arrange a new examination date, which must be at least four weeks later and no later than the end of the semester following the one in which you failed the examination.

3. Special rules/procedures for individual modules

a) Registration for the pass/fail assessment in the module “Basics in Applied Mathematics”

The pass/fail assessment in the basic module consists of five parts: passing the exercises for the individual lecture sections numerics, stochastics, and optimization, passing the accompanying practical exercise, and passing a final oral exam. For organizational reasons, a separate registration for each of the five components in HISinOne is required. If individual parts are not passed, only these have to be successfully repeated in order to pass the overall pass/fail assessment.

b) Designation of a lecture as “Advanced Lecture in Numerics/Stochastics”

Advanced mathematics lectures in the fields of numerics and stochastics can be taken either as “Advanced Lecture in Numerics/Stochastics” or as “Elective in Data.” Therefore, when registering for the corresponding (oral) exam, you must explicitly specify whether it should be recorded as an “Advanced Lecture” module exam or as a exam in the area “Electives in Data”.

This decision made during exam registration is binding; it is not possible to subsequently transfer the grade and the corresponding ECTS credits to the other module! However, until the exam is registered, a recorded pass/fail assessment or a course registration can still be transferred accordingly by the examination office of the Mathematical Institute.

c) Registration and participation in mathematical seminars

Within the M.Sc. Mathematics in Data and Technology, you must successfully complete a seminar (typically in the areas of numerics or stochastics) as a compulsory module “Mathematical Seminar”; additional mathematical seminars can be taken as “Electives in Data” or, if they cover topics from pure mathematics, as “Electives”.

In order to secure a place in a mathematics seminar, participation in the preliminary meeting is required, during which the presentation topics are assigned and further organizational details are discussed. These preliminary meetings typically take place at the end of the lecture period of the previous semester, that is, for seminars taking place in the 2026 summer semester, at the end of January/beginning of February 2026. The dates of the preliminary meetings for the individual seminars will be published in advance in the [Course program](#) for the relevant semester.

After you have attended the preliminary meeting and were assigned a topic for a seminar talk, you must register in HISinOne for the examination associated with the seminar (your seminar presentation is a graded oral examination). The deadlines for this are as follows:

Registration period for seminars in the summer semester:

March 1 to the Wednesday before the start of lectures.

Registration period for seminars in the winter semester:

September 1 to the Wednesday before the start of lectures.

After the registration period has expired, registration for a seminar is binding; unlike with exams, it is no longer possible to deregister at a later date! Repeating a failed seminar takes place in the following semester, typically in a different seminar.

For seminars that are taken as “Electives,” the seminar presentation is not an exam but a course requirement. In this case, you must register for the course requirement during the same period, that is, by the Wednesday before the start of lectures.