

Subject: Information about changes in Education and Exam Regulations (EER) 2017-2018

Dear IBA student,

We hope you had a good holiday.

Looking forward to a brand new academic year from 4 September 2017 onwards we like to wish you a successful and instructive 2017-2018.

Herewith we want to inform you about important changes in the Education and Exam Regulations (EER) and especially the changes as described in the IBA specific appendix of the EER (see <https://www.utwente.nl/en/bms/examboard/regulations/> for all regulations and [IBA website](#) for IBA specific regulations). Also we inform you about some related practical consequences. This letter is an additional explanation but please mind that the regulations as formulated in the EER and its appendices are leading.

For cohort 2016 we organize an information meeting in in which we address these changes and questions on these regulations can be asked.

1. From 2017-2018 onwards we have a **new rule for extended validity of grades** of module components for students who at least passed 2/3 of a module's components (2/3 is measured based on the size of the components). By default all results of module components of modules not completely passed are only valid for the academic year. Extended validity of one academic year is provided for module components of not fully completed modules which are graded with at least 5.5 and under condition that at least 2/3 of this module's components (percentage is calculated based on EC size of module components) is graded with at least 5.5.

Remarks:

- i. A student who want to complete a module based on the use of extended validity has to enroll for the module (again) in OSIRIS in the next academic year. In case the module code is changed the new version of the module and the module components need to be used to complete the module (according to transitional arrangements). **Besides registration in OSIRIS** the student need to inform the module coordinator according to the procedure (and using the provided form) via Blackboard **before the start** of the module.

Remark :

For SME 201600099 transitional arrangement holds and students who are allowed to complete the module of 2016-2017 will be informed a week before the start of SME 201700013 because of introduction of new rules).

- i. This rule will also be applied on the module results of 2016-2017 but in case of changes of module structure (SME, BOM, CHANGEL) transition rules need to be taken into account.
- ii. Students are advised to be realistic in their planning in case they plan to complete a module and to combine this with participation in a full module.
- iii. In the scheduling of exams of modules only the activities of a module itself can be taken into account and not the exams of other modules which students want to complete.
- iv. Be aware that regulations related to validity of grades of module components are defined at programme level. As a consequence the differ between various UT programmes. Modules like the elective *Business Innovation through IT Project*

Management are subject to rules of the programme responsible for them. As a consequence f.e. **no** extended validity of grades is possible for module component grades of *Business Innovation through IT Project Management*.

2. **New BSA regulations**. A positive recommendation on study continuation (positive BSA) from September 2017 onwards will be based on successful completion of 75% of first year study units. For IBA students of cohort 2017 this means that besides a positive BSA in case of successful passing 3 first year modules also an option is defined to obtain a positive BSA based on successful passing 2 first year modules + 50 % of module components of the two other first year modules graded above 5.5. The percentage of module components is calculated based on the EC sizes of the module components as defined in the IBA specific appendix of the EER.
3. Three **new study units** are introduced in the exam programmes of the cohorts 2015 and later (all three pass\fail):
 1. **201700161 International Experience** (0 EC; pass\fail; B2+B3 for cohorts 2015 and later) is a new study unit to implement the mandatory International Experience and to realize a transparent OSIRIS administration of this obligation.
 2. **201700162 Career Development & Skills portfolio** (0 EC; pass\fail; B2+B3 for cohorts 2015 and later) is a new study unit to implement the mandatory Career Development & Skills activities assessed by a portfolio assignment. This realizes a transparent OSIRIS administration of the successful assessment of the portfolio showing your professional development.
 3. **201700184 Research Proposal Bachelor Thesis (3 EC; pass\fail; B3 Q3)**. This study unit is the previous module component “ Bachelor thesis research proposal “ of the module 201500017 CHANGEL.

The advantage of these three new study units is that the obligations related to them do no longer influence the passing of IBA modules and the registration of the results is in OSIRIS and by that transparent to all involved parties. The related activities of the first two study units are in

4. **New alternative electives** and some related **new rules** for permission to use alternative electives.
 1. *201700001 Facilitating Technological Change (M5 of Communication Studies)* in Q1 is from September 2017 onwards an allowed alternative for the IBA 2nd year electives (Besides in Q1 *201500326 Innovation and Entrepreneurship Internship* and in Q2 *201700014 High Tech Talent Management in a Global Context*).
 2. Students not studying nominally need to inform the study advisor about their study planning.
 3. Students not studying nominally can benefit from the alternative electives offered under condition that they have at least 75 EC of IBA modules obtained and discussed their study plan with their study advisor and got by that **permission for the alternative elective beforehand**. In order to get the change in their individual exam programme administrated this is essential.
 4. *201500326 Innovation and Entrepreneurship Internship* may be used as an alternative elective without permission of the programme director now in case the student goes on study abroad in his\her minor and includes at least 15 EC IBA related content in the study abroad.

Remarks:

- 201500326 needs preparation (arranging a company) one quartile before participating in it.
201500326 is possible in other quartiles than Q1 also after consultation with study advisor.
 - For participation in 201500326 in Q2 of 2017-2018 the deadline for contacting the module coordinator Mr Blik is 20 September 2017.
 - 201500326 and 201700014 are also options as IBA deepening minor modules (maximal 1 deepening minor is allowed).
5. New **rule for graduation with distinction.** For graduation with distinction (Cum Laude), generally speaking you need an average of 8.0 for all IBA modules + an 8 for the Bachelor thesis + finishing the IBA study within 4 years. For students of cohorts 2016 and before also the old rules for their cohort remain valid.
 6. For a number of modules (BOM, FAIS, HOLI, SME, CHANGEL, HTTM) new module codes will be used in 2017-2018 because these modules changed. For BOM, SME and CHANGEL transition rules are specified for the other modules standard rules are applied on module version of 2016-2017.
 7. **Transition rule for BOM** 201500307 because module components changed.

For **BOM** the change in size of module components is specified by:

Business Operations Management (201500307)		Business Operations Management (201700010)	
Business Operations Management	10 EC	Operations Management (OM)	3 EC
Probability	2 EC	Quantitative Modelling (QuaMo)	4.5 EC
Project BOM	3 EC	Purchasing and Supply Management (PSM)	2.5 EC
		Probability	2 EC
		Project BOM	3 EC

Transition rules for completing **201500307 Business Operations Management** in 2017-2018 based on module component grades obtained in 2016-2017:

1. In case
at most two of the module components Probability (2 EC), Project BOM (3 EC), in 2016-2017 are graded ≤ 5.5 and ≥ 1.0
 AND
 the other module component Business Operations Management (10 EC) is graded in 2016-2017 ≥ 5.5
 the module **201500307 Business Operations Management (BOM)** can be completed in 2017-2018 by achieving grades ≥ 5.5 for the similar module components related to the maximal two components with grades ≤ 5.5 .
2. In case
 the module components Probability (2 EC), Project BOM (3 EC), in 2016-2017 are graded ≥ 5.5
 AND
For at most one of the 4 test components (OM, PSM, SCM, MOO) of the 10 EC module component Business Operations Management the final result was ≤ 5.5 and ≥ 1.0 + the other three test components

(OM, PSM, SCM, MOO) of the 10 EC module component Business Operations Management are graded in 2016-2017 ≥ 5.5
the module **201500307 Business Operations Management (BOM)** can be completed in 2017-2018 by achieving a grades ≥ 5.5 for the new module component related to the one test component which grade was in 2016-2017 ≤ 5.5 .

The related module components are specified as:

Test component of 10 EC module component Business Operations Management of 201500307	Related Module component of 201700010 Business Operations Management
OM	Operations Management (OM)
SCM an MOO	Quantitative Modelling (QuaMo)
PSM	Purchasing and Supply Management (PSM)

8. **Transition rule for SME** the first quartile module for which module components changed.

1. For **SME** the change in size of module components is shown in the table hereafter:

SME 2016-2017 (201600099)	SME 2017-2018 (201700013)
<u>Individual:</u> Strategy: 1.5 EC Marketing: 1.5 EC Economics: 1.5 EC Statistics II: 3 EC	<u>Individual:</u> Strategy: 3 EC Marketing: 3 EC Economics: 3 EC Statistics II: 3 EC
<u>Group:</u> Project (including S,M,E components) & business skills: 7.5 EC	<u>Group:</u> Project & business skills: 3 EC

Transition rule for completing 201600099 Strategy, Marketing and Economics (SME) in 2017-2018:

In case

at most two of the module components Statistics II (3 EC), Strategy (1.5 EC), Marketing (1.5 EC) and Economics (1.5 EC) of 201600099 Strategy, Marketing and Economics (SME) in 2016-2017 are graded ≤ 5.5 and ≥ 1.0
AND

all other module components are graded ≥ 5.5

the module 201600099 Strategy, Marketing and Economics can be completed in 2017-2018 by achieving grades ≥ 5.5 for the new versions of all module components related (same name) to the maximal two components with grades ≤ 5.5 in 2016-2017.

9. **Transition rule for CHANGEL 201700015 + 201700184 Research Proposal Bachelor Thesis**

For students who successfully passed CHANGEL 201500017 before 1 September 2017 this module replaces both *CHANGEL 201700015 & 201700184 Research Proposal Bachelor Thesis*.

10. **Transition rule for CHANGEL 201500017**

The module 201700015 CHANGEL is 12 EC because of removing the 3 EC module component "Bachelor thesis research proposal " from this module into a new study unit 201700184 Research Proposal Bachelor Thesis.

Transition rules for completing **CHANGEL 201500017** in 2017-2018 based on module component grades obtained in 2016-2017:

1. In case

In 2016-2017 all module component of **CHANGEL 201500017** except “Bachelor thesis research proposal “ were graded ≥ 5.5

the module **CHANGEL 201500017** can be completed in 2017-2018 by achieving a pass for the new study unit *201700184 Research Proposal Bachelor Thesis (3 EC; pass\fail)*.

The result of 201700184 Research Proposal Bachelor Thesis will be administrated for CHANGEL 201500017. **The student has to request this administrative change from BOZ.**

2. In case

In 2016-2017 at least 2/3 (measured based on the EC sizes) of the numerically graded module components of **CHANGEL 201500017** were graded ≥ 5.5

the module **CHANGEL 201500017** can be completed in 2017-2018 by achieving grades ≥ 5.5 for those numerically graded module components of **CHANGEL 201500017** that were graded ≤ 5.5 and ≥ 1.0 in 2016-2017.

Remark:

As a consequence of the criterion that 2/3 of the numerically graded module components need to be ≥ 5.5 the module component Business Innovation Scenario (project) need to be ≥ 5.5 in 2016-2017 to complete CHANGEL 201500017 in 2017-2018.

We wish you a successful and enjoyable new year of study

In case you need further information, not available on our [IBA website](#), feel free to ask us.

Kind regards,

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Important links for students:

Student portal

<http://my.utwente.nl>

Webpage IBA

<https://www.utwente.nl/iba/>

Module information

<https://osiris.utwente.nl/student/OnderwijsCatalogus.do>

Regulations Education IBA

<https://www.utwente.nl/en/bms/education/regulations/>