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Faculty of Geoscience and Geography:

Following the resolutions of the Faculty Council of the Faculty of Geocience and Geography dated 28.01.2019 and the Senate of the Georg-August-Universität Göttingen on 13.03.2019, the Foundation's University Committee of the University of Göttingen Public Law Foundation approved the Regulations on Admission Requirements and Admission for the consecutive Master's degree programme "Geowissenschaften/Geoscience" on 15.04.2019 (§ 44 section 1 sentence 2 NHG in the version of the announcement of 26.02.2007 (Nds. GVBI. (Lower Saxony Law and Official Gazette) p. 69), last amended by Article 10 of the Act of 18.12.2018 (Nds. GVBI. (Lower Saxony Law and Official Gazette) p. 317); § 41 section 1 sentence 1 NHG in conjunction with § 18 section 6 sentence 3, section 8 sentence 3 NHG and § 7 section 1 sentence 1 NHZG in the version of the announcement of 29.01.1998 (Nds. GVBI. (Lower Saxony Law and Official Gazette) p. 51), last amended by Article 2 of the Act of 15.12.2015 (Nds. GVBI. (Lower Saxony Law and Official Gazette) p. 390); §§ 62 section 4 sentence 1, 60 a section 1 sentence 1 NHG in conjunction with § 18 section 2 NHG in sentence 3, section 6 sentence 3, section 6 sentence 3, section 7 sentence 1, 60 a section 1 sentence 1 NHG in conjunction with § 18 section 2 NHG in conjunction with § 18 section 6 sentence 3, section 6 sentence 3, section 8 sentence 3, section 8 sentence 3, section 8 sentence 1, 60 a section 1 sentence 1 NHG in conjunction with § 18 section 6 sentence 3, section 8 sentence 3, section 1 sentence 1, 60 a section 1 sentence 1 NHG in conjunction with § 18 section 6 sentence 3, section 8 sentence 3, section 8 sentence 3, section 1 sentence 1, 60 a section 14 NHG and § 7 section 2 NHZG).

Regulation concerning the qualifications for entry and admission for the consecutive Master's degree programme "Geowissenschaften/Geoscience"

I. Scope

§ 1 Scope

(1) These regulations govern access and admission to the consecutive Master's degree programme "Geowissenschaften/Geoscience".

(2) In accordance with the following provisions, the university shall conduct an internal university procedure to determine the admission requirements for all places on the degree programme "Geowissenschaften/Geoscience".

(3) ¹If more applicants meet the admission requirements than there are places available, the university shall allocate the places according to the results of a university selection procedure. ²If not more applicants meet the admission requirements than there are places available, a selection procedure shall not take place.

II. Authorisation for admission

§ 2 Qualifications for entry

(1) ¹It is a requirement for entrance to the Master's degree programme that the applicant possesses the professional competence. ²Candidates shall be deemed to possess the relevant professional competence if they have completed a technically relevant course of studies to Bachelor's degree level with a standard course length of at least six semesters and a total of at least 180 ECTS credits, or an equivalent degree in a degree programme at a German University or at a university belonging to the Bologna signatory states in accordance with section 3 in a Geoscience degree programme or in a technically closely related subject area. ³Final examinations which have been passed in a country outside the Bologna signatory states require the determination of equivalence with the qualifications according to sentence 1, taking into account the proposals of the Central Office for Foreign Education (ZAB) at the Office of the Standing Conference of the Ministers of Education and Cultural Affairs of the Federal States in the Federal Republic of Germany (KMK) for the recognition and assessment of foreign certificates of academic qualification, which can be found under the URL http://anabin.kmk.org. ⁴The grades of the foreign educational certificates must be converted into the German grading system.

(2) ¹Notwithstanding section 1, provisional admission shall be granted those applicants who have not yet completed their course of studies at the time of application, but have acquired at least 150 credits in a relevant Bachelor's degree programme according to section 3 or in an equivalent degree programme. ²The average grade calculated from the previous examination results shall also be taken into account in the selection procedure in place of the Bachelor's grade or the grade of an equivalent certificate of academic qualification, irrespective of whether the result of the Bachelor's examination deviates from this.

(3) ¹The decision as to whether a previous study programme is relevant within the meaning of sections 1 and 2 is made by the selection committee. ²It is a requirement for the technical relevance of the previous course of studies that proof is provided of at least the following academic achievements:

- Achievements from the fields of geosciences, geography, resource management, natural sciences totaling at least 120 credits, including achievements in the field of geosciences totaling at least 50 credits, or

- Achievements from a natural science degree programme, a degree programme in natural science-oriented engineering, or from a closely related field of study totaling at least 120

credits, including achievements in geosciences, hydrogeology, chemistry, physics, and mathematics totaling at least 50 credits.

³If fewer persons apply who fulfill all admission requirements according to sentence 2 than there are study places available, the selection committee may approve provisionally the technical relevance of the previous course of studies dependent on the completion of pending achievements according to sentence 2, within two semesters; in this case, the determination of the technical relevance and the admission are conditional until the proof of the still missing achievements, which must be received by the university within two semesters from the time of enrolment at the university (closing date). ⁴If proof of the pending achievements is not submitted by the deadline, the determination of the technical relevance and an admission decision based on it shall become ineffective. ⁵The determination of the technical relevance shall not be possible if the pending achievements amount to more than 15 credits.

(4) ¹Applicants whose native language is not German and who neither meet a German university entrance qualification nor have acquired their bachelor degree or an equivalent degree at a German university, must demonstrate sufficient proficiency in the German language. ²Proof hereof is demonstrated by means of a test with the grade point average DSH-2 in accordance with the examination regulation for the German language test for university admission of foreign prospective students (DSH). ³Exempt from the obligation to appear for a test are applicants who are exempted according to the Examination Regulations for the German Language Examination for University Entrance of Foreign Applicants (DSH) at the Georg-August-Universität Göttingen from the German language examination for university entrance. This applies, in particular, to those applicants who have demonstrated a requisite knowledge of the German language by means of the successful "German as a Foreign Language" (TestDaF) with at least four times TestDaF level 4 (TDN 4), by means of the certificate of the Goethe-Institut "Goethe-Zertifikat C1" or by means of the "Examination part German" of the assessment test in the preparatory course.

(5) ¹Applicants whose native language is not English must show adequate English language skills. ²Adequate knowledge of English must be demonstrated with standardised or accredited certificates at a minimum B2 level in accordance with the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR). ³The following in particular shall serve as proof:

- a) UNIcert®: min. certificate UNIcert® II;
- b) NULTE certificate: min. level B2;
- c) Cambridge English Scale: min. 160 points;
- d) International English Language Testing System (IELTS Academic): min. band 5.5;

e) Test of English as a Foreign Language, internet-based test (TOEFL iBT): min. 87 points;

f) Global Scale of English (Pearson Academic): min. 59 points;

⁴Successful completion of the test (a-f) may not have taken place more than two years before the receipt of the application for admission. ⁵At least one year of residence for the purpose of study or work in an English-speaking country where English is the official language, within the last three years prior to receipt of the application for admission shall also be considered as proof of sufficient knowledge of the English language.

(6) ¹The proof according to sections 4 and 5 is not required for applicants whose native language is English or who have very good knowledge of English. ²Very good knowledge of English shall be demonstrated with standardised or accredited certificates at least at level B2+ or higher in accordance with the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR). ³In particular, the following serve as proof:

- a) UNIcert®: min. certificate UNIcert® II with min. grade 2.3;
- b) NULTE certificates: min. level B2+;
- c) Cambridge English Scale: min. 173 points;
- d) "International English Language Testing System (IELTS Academic): min. band 6.0;
- e) "Test of English as a Foreign Language, internet-based test" (TOEFL iBT): min. 95 points;
- f) Global Scale of English (Pearson Academic): min. 67 points;

⁴Successful completion of the test (a-f) may not have taken place more than two years before receipt of the application for admission. ⁵Successful completion of an English-language degree programme lasting at least two years, also constitutes proof of adequate English language proficiency.

(7) The proofs according to sections 4 and 5 or 6 must be submitted to the Faculty of Geosciences and Geography by 30/09, in the case of enrollment for a winter semester, and by 31/03 in the case of enrollment for a summer semester; the proofs are a prerequisite for enrollment; conditional enrollment does not take place.

(8) ¹In all other respects, the general provisions for enrolment as stipulated in the Enrolment Regulations of the University of Göttingen remain unaffected. ²The enrolment of applicants who are considered provisionally entitled to admission according to section 2 is conditional upon submission of proof of successful completion of the Bachelor's programme or an equivalent programme. ³In the case of enrolment for the winter semester, the proof must be provided by the end of 15 November. ⁴Provided the Dean determines, on the basis of the periods of studies so far, in particular the existing examination components, that the applicant will attain the degree at the latest by the end of the first semester of the Master's degree programme, the deadline in accordance with sentence 3 will extended to the end of 31 March

for enrolment for a winter semester and to the end of 30 September for enrolment for a summer semester. This determination is only admissible provided

a) in the academic record only the final thesis is missing, or

b) the final thesis has already been submitted to the university and the amount of the examination components that are still missing does not exceed six credits.

III. Selection Procedure

§ 3 Start of Programme, Application for Admission, Exclusion Deadline

(1) ¹The Master's degree programme starts in the summer semester and winter semester. ²Applications for admission must be submitted via the University's online portal. They must be received by the University together with the application documents required in accordance with section 2 by 01 June (closing date) for a winter semester, and by 01 December (closing date) for a summer semester; if an internal University selection procedure is not carried out applications received after this date will be considered, provided authorisation for admission in accordance with § 2 section 1 or 2 has been proven by no later than 15 Nov for applications; the other provisions on qualifications for entry remain unaffected. ³The application applies only to the awarding of university places for the relevant admission date. ⁴The university is not obliged to review the details of applicants ex officio.

(2) The following documents must be enclosed with the application for admission and must be uploaded to the university server through the online portal:

- a) the applicant's degree certificate(s) in German or English translation if the originals are not in German or English; if a degree certificate is not yet available, a certificate of the examination results acquired, the credits and the average grade must be submitted;
- b) a curriculum vitae in tabular form written in German or English with a meaningful presentation of the educational background;
- c) proof of sufficient knowledge of the German and English language according to §
 2 sections 4, 5 or proof of excellent knowledge of the English language according to § 2 section 6;
- d) if applicable, the nomination of up to two professors who may be asked by the University of Göttingen to submit a letter of recommendation for the applicant;

- e) a declaration as to whether the applicant has successfully / unsuccessfully completed a Master's degree programme in a similar discipline or has not yet completed it;
- f) if applicable, evidence of relevant professional or practical experience;
- g) a presentation in text form showing the applicant's motivation for taking up this course of study, not exceeding 2 pages in length;

(3) ¹Applications that are not submitted in full, or in due form and time, will be excluded from the further procedure. ²The documents submitted will be retained by the University.

(4) If an applicant can credibly demonstrate that he or she is disadvantaged by the selection procedure compared to other applicants due to a disability, he or she shall be granted upon application a suitable compensation for disadvantages.

§ 4 Selection Committee for the Master's Degree Programme

(1) The Faculty of Geoscience and Geography at the university shall form at least one selection committee to prepare the decision on selection for this degree programme.

(2) ¹A selection committee includes three members eligible to vote, who belong to the full-time academic staff or to the group of university professors, and one member of the student group with an advisory vote. ²At least one member must belong to the group of university professors. ³The members are appointed by the Faculty Council of Geoscience and Geography. ⁴The term of office of the members is two years, that of the student member one year. ⁵Reappointment is possible. ⁶The selection committee has a quorum if at least two voting members are present. (3) The tasks of the selection committee are:

a) Examination of the incoming applications for admission for formal correctness,

- b) Examination and, if necessary, assessment of the of the qualifications for entry,
- c) Conducting the selection interviews according to § 6,
- d) Decision on the admission or rejection of the applicants.

(4) The selection committee shall report to the Faculty Council of Geoscience and Geography after the conclusion of the award procedure on the experience gained and, if necessary, submit proposals for the further improvement of the award procedure.

§ 5 Selection procedure

(1) A selection procedure comprises the allocation of study places related to an admission date.

(2) ¹Admission applications shall be decided upon in a main procedure and, if necessary, in a subsequent procedure. ²In the first stage of the main procedure, places shall first be allocated to those applicants with an outstanding aptitude (best quota; § 6) and then to those applicants

who have been admitted according to a combination of several criteria (combination quota; § 7).

(3) ¹Participation in the selection procedure in the combination quota shall not be open to those who have been admitted in the best quota. ²Anyone who has received an admission in the best quota or in the combination quota shall not be involved in a subsequent selection procedure.

(4) The selection committee may take into account by means of an overbooking that study places will probably not be accepted.

(5) Study places remaining available according to the best quota shall be added to the combination quota.

(6) ¹In all other respects, the general provisions of the regulation applying to enrolment at the University of Göttingen remain unaffected. ²Enrolment of applicants who are provisionally authorised for admission in accordance with § 2 section 2 is conditional upon submission of proof of successful completion of the Bachelor's course of studies or an equivalent course of studies. ³Proof must be submitted by 15 Nov for enrolment in the winter semester and 15 May for enrolment for the summer semester. ⁴Provided the Dean determines, on the basis of the periods of studies so far, in particular the present examination achievements, that the applicant will attain the degree at the latest by the end of the first semester of the Master's degree programme, the deadline in accordance with sentence 3 is extended to the end of 31 March for enrolment for a winter semester and to the end of 30 September for enrolment for a summer semester. This determination is only admissible provided

a) as to examination results, only the final thesis is missing or

b) the final thesis has already been submitted to the university and the amount of the examination components that are still missing does not exceed six credits.

§ 6 Best quota

(1) ¹For the selection within the framework of the best quota, a ranking list shall be drawn up in accordance with the provisions of section 2. ²70% of the study places shall be awarded according to this ranking list, starting with rank 1. ³In the event of equality of rank, the ranking shall be determined according to the result of the Bachelor's degree or an equivalent degree; in all other cases, the decision shall be made by drawing lots.

(2) A point scheme is used to create the ranking list, with a maximum of 26 points achievable.

 a) Depending on the grade achieved in the Bachelor's degree or the grade of an equivalent certificate of academic qualification, points are awarded to the applicant as follows:

1.0 up to and including 1.1	17 points,
over 1.1 up to and including 1.2	16 points,

over 1.2 up to and including 1.3	15 points,
over 1.3 up to and including 1.5	14 points,
over 1.5 up to and including 1.7	13 points,
over 1.7 up to and including 1.9	12 points,
over 1.9 up to and including 2.1	11 points,
over 2.1 up to and including 2.3	10 points,
over 2.3 up to and including 2.5	9 points,
over 2.5 up to and including 2.7	8 points,
over 2.7 up to and including 2.8	7 points,
over 2.8 up to and including 2.9	6 points,
over 2.9 up to and including 3.0	5 points,
over 3.0 up to and including 3.1	4 points,
over 3.1 up to and including 3.2	3 points,
over 3.2 up to and including 3.3	2 points,
over 3.3 up to and including 3.4	1 point,
over 3.4 up to and including 4.0	0 points.

b) Depending on the type and extent of relevant professional or practical experience gained through internships or professional activities in a field relevant to the study programme, in particular activities in a geoscientific or technical field in an industrial company, a public authority or an engineering office, the applicant will be credited with points.

Based on the nature and extent of the applicant's professional or practical experience, the applicant is

outstandingly suitable	6 points,
very suitable	4 points,
suitable	2 points,
hardly suitable	0 points.

As a rule, professional activity is to be verified by an employer's reference, an internship by an internship certificate. Professional qualifying activities as student assistants, which must be documented by a work certificate, can also be counted as practical experience.

c) Depending on the justification of the motivation to study, documented by a letter of motivation, the applicant will be credited with points as follows:

The applicant is

outstandingly suitable	3 points,
very suitable	2 points,
suitable	1 point,

hardly suitable

0 points.

d) The points obtained under a) to c) are added up.

(3) ¹Applicants who can be admitted within the framework of the best quota shall receive an admission notice in text form from the university. ²This shall specify a deadline within which the applicant must enroll or declare in writing whether he or she accepts the study place. ³The applicant must enroll no later than two weeks after the expiration of the deadline according to sentence 2 (closing deadline), if no enrollment according to sentence 2 exists. ⁴If the university has

a) the registration in accordance with sentence 2 or

b) the declaration pursuant to sentence 2 and the enrollment pursuant to sentence 3 are not submitted in due time and form, the notice of admission shall become invalid. ⁵Reference shall be made to these legal consequences in the notice of admission.

(4) The persons admitted shall no longer participate in the further procedure.

§7 Combination quota

(1) For the selection within the framework of the combination quota, a ranking list is drawn up in accordance with the following provisions. 30% of the study places will be awarded according to this ranking list, starting with place 1.

(2) The selection shall be determined on the basis of a combination of the following criteria:

- a. on the basis of a ranking list drawn up in accordance with the procedure set out in § 6 section 2, and
- b. according to the result of a selection interview with the applicant.

(3) The selection committee shall make a pre-selection from among the applications received in accordance with section 4 and a selection from among the pre-selected applicants on the basis of the selection criteria specified in sections 2 and 5.

(4) ¹In order to limit the number of participants in the selection interview, a preselection of at least twice the number of study places to be awarded according to the selection procedure within the framework of the combination quota shall take place among the applications received. ²For this purpose, a ranking list shall be drawn up in accordance with the procedure pursuant to § 6 section 2. ³If there is equality of rank, all applicants in the highest ranking shall be admitted to the course.

(5) ¹The selection shall be made on the basis of a ranking list in which a maximum of 32 points can be achieved. ²This shall be drawn up in accordance with the following provisions:

 Depending on the determination of the degree of suitability in the selection interview, the applicant will be credited with points as follows (maximum 6 points): The applicant is

outstandingly suitable 6 points,

very suitable	4 points,
suitable	2 points,
little or hardly suitable	0 points.

- b. The applicant will be credited points according to the procedure in § 6 section 2 (maximum 26 points).
- c. The points achieved according to letters a) and b) are added together.

(6) ¹If there is equality of rank after the ranking list has been drawn up, the ranking shall be determined by the result of the points achieved in accordance with section 5 letter b), then by the result of the bachelor's degree or an equivalent degree. ²Otherwise, in the event of equality of rank, the decision shall be made by drawing lots.

(7) The selected applicants shall be admitted in accordance with § 9.

§ 8 Interview

(1) ¹The interview is intended to determine whether an applicant is suitable for the selected degree programme. ²The following regulations apply for carrying out the interview:

- a) The interview is normally carried out at the University in the first half of June for the winter semester and in the first half of December for the summer semester. The exact dates as well as the place of interview must be announced by the university within a reasonable period before the start of interviews. The University invites candidates to the interview with sufficient notice. A video conference or a telephone interview is permitted for overseas applicants as well as in exceptional other cases, provided the identity of the applicant can be determined beyond doubt. The selection committee is responsible for determining the details of the procedure in such cases.
- b) The selection committee is required to carry out an interview lasting about 15 minutes with every applicant. The selection interview may be conducted with up to four applicants at a time.
- c) A transcript of the key questions and answers in the course of the interview is to be kept and signed by the members of the selection committee. The log should clearly show the day and place of the interview, the names of the committee members, the name of the applicant and the assessment.

(2) ¹The interview must cover the applicant's motivation and the following suitability parameters:

- a) specific specialised knowledge,
- b) concrete ideas about the contents of the consecutive Master's degree programme "Geosciences",
- c) professional or practical experience of the applicant.

(3) After completion of the selection interview, the members of the selection committee shall evaluate the applicant according to the degree of suitability for the selected course of study on a scale according to § 7 section 5 sentence 2 letter a).

(4) ¹An applicant who fails to appear at the interview without good cause shall be excluded from the further procedure. ²If there is an important reason, the selection committee shall set a new date for the selection interview upon application. ³The important reason and the application for a new date must be proven or submitted to the selection committee without delay, but at the latest within two days of the date initially set. ⁴An excluded applicant shall be entitled to participate again in the next possible selection procedure.

(5) ¹As part of the undergraduate degree programme, an early interview may be conducted with students of the university who are enrolled in an undergraduate degree programme that is consolidated by this Master's degree programme. ²In the event that the student has applied for this Master's degree programme, the early interview replaces the selection interview. ³It may be held at the beginning of the sixth semester at the earliest. ⁴This early selection interview must be equivalent to the selection interview in form and content. ⁵The provisions of sections 1 to 4, of § 7 section 5, sentence 2, letter a), and of § 4, sections 2 to 4, shall apply accordingly. ⁶The early selection interview shall be taken into account instead of the selection interview only if it was conducted no more than six months before the selection decision and the applicant is one of the persons preselected for a selection interview in accordance with § 7 section 4. ⁷If this condition is not met, the applicant is excluded from the further selection procedure for this round of applications. ⁸Notification of the result of the earlier interview is only given if the applicant has been pre-selected for an interview in accordance with § 7 section 4.

§ 9 Letter of Admission, Letter of Rejection and Subsequent Admission Procedure

(1) ¹Applicants who can be admitted shall receive a letter of admission from the university in text form. ²This shall specify a deadline within which the applicant must enrol; if there is an important reason, in particular a visa requirement, the selection committee may extend the deadline appropriately upon request. ³If the enrolment in accordance with sentence 2 is not submitted in due time and form, the letter of admission shall become invalid. ⁴This legal consequence shall be pointed out in the letter of admission.

(2) ¹Applicants who cannot be admitted shall receive a rejection notice in text form stating the rank achieved and the rank of the last applicant admitted. ²The notice of rejection shall be accompanied by instructions on how to appeal. ³In the case of applicants who have been admitted, the applicant shall at the same time be requested to declare in writing within a specified period whether the application for admission is to be maintained for a subsequent procedure. ⁴If the applicant fails to submit this declaration in due time or form, he or she shall

be excluded from the subsequent procedure. ⁵Reference shall be made to this legal consequence.

(3) ¹The advancement procedure shall be carried out on the basis of the ranking list in accordance with §7 sections 5 and 6. ²The provisions of section 1 shall apply accordingly.

(4) ¹The selection procedures are completed no later than 15/10 for admission for a winter semester or 15/04 for admission for a summer semester. ²Any study places still available after this date shall be awarded by lot to applicants with admission entitlement upon informal application. ³The application period for this begins two weeks before the start of the semester for which admission is to be granted and ends with the conclusion of the selection procedure. ⁴Due to the advanced lecture period, the allocation of study places by lot shall be completed no later than 30/11 in the case of admission for a winter semester, and no later than 31/05 in the case of admission for a summer semester.

(5) The decision is made by the Dean of Studies on behalf of the President.

§ 10 Admission for higher semesters

(1) Free university places in a higher semester with restricted admission are awarded to applicants in the following order,

a) those who are in the same or a comparable degree programme

- aa) who are or were enrolled at another German university or at a university of another member state of the European Union or of another contracting member state of the Agreement on the European Economic Area,
- bb) who are or were enrolled at a foreign university and possess German nationality or are subject to the same university admissions laws and regulations as German citizens,
- b) those for whom a rejection of admission for reasons related to their person would mean extraordinary hardship,

(c) those who assert other reasons.

(2) Within each of the three case groups of section 1, the result of the Bachelor's examination or an examination equivalent to the Bachelor's examination shall be decisive, followed by social, in particular family-related and economic reasons decisive for the choice of the university's location and finally by lot in cases that are still identical.

§ 11 Quota

(1) ¹A special quota of 25 percent of the study places to be awarded shall be formed in advance from the number of admissions to this degree programme for the admission of foreign nationals and stateless persons with a recognized certificate of previous education who are neither equivalent to Germans according to legal regulations nor nationals of another member state of the European Union nor have acquired their Bachelor's degree or an equivalent degree at

a German university. ²Applications from foreign nationals and stateless persons within the meaning of sentence 1 shall not be considered in the selection procedure pursuant to § 5.

(2) ¹The selection shall be made in accordance with the provisions of §§ 1 to 8, unless otherwise regulated in the following:

(a) In ranking, points shall not be awarded for special knowledge, skills, and experience as defined in § 6 section 2 sentence 2 letter b); instead, points shall be awarded according to the results of the GRE (Graduate Record Examinations) General Test as follows:

Verbal reasoning	points
170 – 161 points	2
160 – 151 points	1,5
150 – 141 points	1
140 – 131 points	0,5
under 130 points	0

Performance on the sections of the GRE General Test

Quantitative reasoning	points
170 – 161 points	2
160 – 151 points	1,5
150 – 141 points	1
140 – 131 points	0,5
under 130 points	0

Analytical writing	points
5,1 – 6 points	2
4,1 – 5 points	1,5
3,1 – 4 points	1
2,1 – 3 points	0,5
under 3 points	0

b) The selection committee may take into account special circumstances that speak in favor of studying at a German university by awarding a total of up to 3 additional points. Such a circumstance shall be considered in particular if the applicant

ba) proves the granting of a scholarship by a publicly funded institution,

bb) has successfully attended a college at the suggestion of a university in Lower Saxony and is registered for a place at university,

bc) belongs to a developing country,

bd) enjoys the right of asylum in the Federal Republic of Germany,

be) belongs to a German-speaking minority abroad or is subject to sponsorship by intergovernmental treaties or higher education agreements.

c) The application for admission to the Master's programme with the application documents required according to § 3 section 2 must be received by the university by 01/06 (closing date) for the winter semester and by 01/12 of the previous year (closing date) for the summer semester. In addition to the application documents required according to § 3 section 2, the result of the GRE (Graduate Record Examinations) General Test taken by the applicant must be submitted; the applicant must arrange for the test provider to forward the test result to Göttingen University in good time.

(3) Available study places according to this quota shall be added to the quota for the selection procedure according to § 5.

IV. Final provision

§ 12 Entry into force; Transitional provision

¹These regulations shall enter into force on the day after they are published in the Official Announcements I of the Georg-August-Universität Göttingen. ²It shall apply for the first time to the award procedure for the winter semester 2019/2020. ³At the same time, the Regulations on Admission Requirements and on Admission to the Consecutive Master's Programme "Geoscience" in the version of the announcement of 28.09.2009 (Official Announcements I No. 34a/2009 p. 3730), last amended by Statutes on 07.06.2016 (Official Announcements I No. 35/2016 p. 1016), shall expire.