



DECISION

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STYR 2022/1347

Date 19 August 2024

Recipient
Education Board

Student Affairs
Education Strategy Support
Oskar Cornelius, Policy Officer

Decision on exemptions from specific points in the List of Rights – Lund University Students’ Rights and Responsibilities – Faculty of Law

Background

The List of Rights – Lund University Students’ Rights and Responsibilities (Reg. no STYR 2022/1347) was approved by the Vice-Chancellor on 18 January 2024 and serves as a support for students, departments, faculties and student unions to clarify what first and second-cycle students are entitled to and in certain cases also what responsibilities they have. The List of Rights enters into force on 2 September 2024.

According to point 8.3 of the List of Rights, exemptions from the List of Rights may be granted by the university-wide Education Board following a request from a faculty board. The Education Board has decided to delegate the decision on the approval of exemptions to the chair of the Education Board.

Request for exemption

The Faculty Board of Law’s Educational Committee has decided to request an exemption from the following points in the List of Rights:

2.4

When an examiner has made a decision on a student’s examination results or grade, the department has an obligation

to promptly notify the student of the results, no later than 15 working days after the exam.

It should take a maximum of five working days from when the student has been notified of the grade until the grade has been registered in the Ladok study documentation system. The student is to be notified of the results no later than ten working days before a re-sit.

For exam sessions with more than 200 participants, the student is to be notified of the results no later than 22 working days after the exam. For exam sessions with more than 700 participants, the student is to be notified of the results no later than 30 working days after the exam. However, the student is to be notified of the results no later than ten working days before a re-sit.

And

3.6

The University is responsible for ensuring that information on required reading and other study resources is available eight weeks before the start of the course.

And

3.9

The University is responsible for ensuring that teaching is not timetabled on Saturdays, Sundays and public holidays in the Swedish calendar, or after 17:00, unless the course was advertised during the application period as a distance learning, afternoon or evening course.

Teaching may be timetabled on Saturdays, Sundays and public holidays in the Swedish calendar, or after 17:00, if it is necessary for the completion of the teaching component, for example if the teaching is conducted at places or involves activities that are only accessible on public holidays or after 17:00, such as museum visits, excursions, concert activities or placements and practice-integrated learning.

The decision to request exemptions has been made in consultation with representatives from the Law Students' Union (JF).

The faculty requests an exemption from point 2.4 based on the following:

The established practice at the Faculty of Law is to notify students of the results no later than 15 working days after the exam and register them in Ladok a few days later. For certain subjects, there are few teaching staff members who hold a doctoral degree and many students taking the test, which makes it difficult to meet the requirement within the limits set out in point 2.4. Therefore, the faculty requests an exemption based on the following:

- For exams with more than 100 participants, and if there are valid reasons, the results are to be communicated to students no later than 20 days after the exam. Information about when the results will be communicated at the latest is to be clearly specified at the time of the exam.

The faculty requests an exemption from point 3.6 based on the following:

A large proportion of the study resources and required reading at the Faculty of Law includes legislation and case-law, which are continuously amended. For this reason, it is important to use the most up-to-date reading list, which means that information on the required reading and other study resources cannot always be available eight weeks before the start of the course. Therefore, the faculty requests an exemption based on the following:

- If special circumstances apply, and it can be guaranteed that accessibility-adapted required reading is available at the start of the course, the reading list may be amended four weeks before the start of the course.

The faculty requests an exemption from point 3.9 based on the following:

Owing to problems related to accommodating all the teaching in accessible premises without having to book external venues, the Faculty of Law needs to be able to timetable teaching after 17:00 at times. Therefore, the faculty requests an exemption based on the following:

- If there are valid reasons, and where teaching is not compulsory, teaching may be timetabled after 17:00.

Decision

The University has decided to grant the Faculty of Law an exemption from points 2.4, 3.6 and 3.9 in the List of Rights – Lund University Students' Rights and Responsibilities as specified above.

The decision on this matter was taken by the undersigned chair of the University's Education Board following a presentation by Policy Officer Oskar Cornelius and a consultation with a representative from the Lund University Student Union Association (LUS). The consultation took place with the LUS representative during a meeting on 19 August 2024.

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