



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 Science

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 Board of the Faculty of Science has decided to request an exemption from the following point in the List of Rights:

5.1

The department is responsible for ensuring that for each course/module, the following are organised in addition to the regular assessed components:

- re-sit five to seven weeks after the regular exam and
- one further exam session for courses completed in the past academic year (catch-up exam).

However, for certain forms of examination, such as placements, the number of exam sessions may be limited to two.

In accordance with Section 3.11, exams and compulsory components are not to be timetabled later than one week after the end of the spring semester or earlier than three weeks before the start of the autumn semester. To avoid a re-sit being held in the middle of the summer, it can be timetabled later than seven weeks after the regular exam session when the regular exam is at the end of the spring semester. To avoid a re-sit being held during the Christmas and New Year period, it can be timetabled later than seven weeks after the regular exam session when the regular exam is in November. A re-sit is to be timetabled at the earliest ten working days after the student has been notified of the results of the regular exam.

The decision to request an exemption has been approved by the Lund Science Student Union (LUNA).

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

Several subjects at the Faculty of Science are taught jointly with the Faculty of Engineering (LTH). An exemption from point 5.1 needs to be granted so that joint courses can be assessed in line with the organisation of LTH's academic year. The faculty also requests an exemption from point 5.1 for the Medical Physics programme. The Medical Physics programme has a fixed course of study with a very high proportion of scheduled teaching sessions. Re-sits scheduled within five to seven weeks after the regular exam would clash with teaching in a subsequent course. For courses spanning a whole year, the Faculty of Science organises a dedicated re-sit period in January, when no other teaching sessions are timetabled.

Decision

The University has decided to grant the Faculty of Science an exemption from point 5.1 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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