Pursuant to point 2 of paragraph one of Article 21 of the Statute of the European Faculty of Law of New University (consolidated text of 28 September 2022), the Management Board of the European Faculty of Law of New University, at its 24th meeting held on 29 September 2026, adopted amendments and supplements to the Regulations on Studies in Master's Study Programmes of the European Faculty of Law of New University of 30 September 2024, which, as amended and supplemented, read as follows:

REGULATIONS ON STUDIES IN MASTER'S STUDY PROGRAMMES OF THE EUROPEAN FACULTY OF LAW OF NEW UNIVERSITY

I. GENERAL PROVISIONS

Article 1

(Subject matter of the Regulations)

These Regulations govern master's study programmes, namely the requirements for progression to a higher year, exceptional enrolment, re-enrolment in a year, parallel studies, changing the mode of study, student status, resumption of studies following an interruption, requirements for completion of studies, selection of the topic of the final thesis and appointment of a supervisor, preparation and submission of the final thesis, defence of the final thesis and withdrawal from the European Faculty of Law of New University (hereinafter: the Faculty).

Article 2

(Conduct of students and the Faculty)

In all procedures, students shall be obliged to provide truthful information and shall not abuse rights conferred upon them by law and these Regulations. The Faculty and its employees shall act diligently and promptly in their dealings with students and other stakeholders, in their best interests and in compliance with legislation and the Faculty's internal acts.

Article 3

(Calculation of time limits)

Where a time limit is expressed in days, the day of service or notification, or the day of the event from which the time limit is calculated, shall not be included; the time limit shall begin on the following day. A time limit expressed in months or years shall expire at the end of the day in the relevant month or year bearing the same number as the day on which a document was served or notified or the relevant event occurred. If the last month has no such day, the time limit shall expire on the last day of that month.

Sundays, public holidays of the Republic of Slovenia and other non-working days in the Republic of Slovenia shall not prevent time limits from commencing or running.

Where the last day of a time limit falls on a Sunday, a public holiday or other non-working day in the Republic of Slovenia, or on another day on which the authority before which the procedural action must be taken is closed, the time limit shall expire at the end of the next working day.

Time limits laid down by these Regulations for the Faculty Senate, the Study Committee and other committees, and time limits for technical reviews, public presentations and defences, shall not run during the summer holidays as specified in the academic calendar for the relevant academic year.

Article 4

(Grammatical form of expressions)

Expressions used in the masculine grammatical form in these Regulations shall be regarded as gender-neutral and shall apply to both women and men.

II. SECOND-CYCLE MASTER'S STUDY PROGRAMMES IN LAW, LAW AND REAL ESTATE MANAGEMENT, ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION, AND CIVIL AND COMMERCIAL LAW

1. Progression to a higher year

Article 5

(Requirements for progression to a higher year)

In the second-cycle master's study programmes in Law and in Law and Real Estate Management, a student may progress from a lower to a higher year if, by the end of the academic year, the student has completed all obligations prescribed by the study programme for enrolment in the higher year or has obtained at least 38 credit points (CP) from successfully passed examinations in the courses of the year in which the student is enrolled.

In the second-cycle master's study programme in Alternative Dispute Resolution, a student may progress from a lower to a higher year if, by the end of the academic year, the student has completed all obligations prescribed by the study programme for enrolment in the higher year or has obtained at least 42 CP from successfully passed examinations in the courses of the year in which the student is enrolled.

In the second-cycle master's study programme in Civil and Commercial Law, a student may progress from a lower to a higher year if, by the end of the academic year, the student has completed all obligations prescribed by the study programme for enrolment in the higher year or has obtained at least 40 CP from successfully passed examinations in the courses of the year in which the student is enrolled.

Students shall enrol in a higher year by the deadline set each year by the Office for Study and Student Affairs (hereinafter: the Student Affairs Office), taking into account the instructions of the competent ministry. This provision shall also apply to students repeating a year, enrolling in the additional year following the final semester, or extending their student status.

Article 6

(Exceptional enrolment in a higher year)

Upon application by a student who has not fulfilled all the requirements for progression to a higher year, the Study Committee may exceptionally authorise enrolment in a higher year. Such exceptional enrolment may be authorised for a student:

- who was unable to fulfil the requirements for justified reasons;

- who can be expected to fulfil the remaining requirements.

The following circumstances, substantiated by appropriate credible evidence, may be considered justified reasons for exceptional enrolment:

- an illness lasting continuously for more than two months during examination periods, taking into account the nature of the illness;

- participation in top-level professional, cultural or sporting events;

- active participation in Faculty bodies (e.g. submitting initiatives, giving opinions and participating in decision-making in accordance with the Faculty Statute);

- exceptional family and social circumstances;

- recognised status as a person with special needs and/or special status;

- other circumstances comparable in nature and seriousness.

The student must demonstrate that the reason referred to in the preceding paragraph directly affected the fulfilment of study requirements; this shall be assessed by the Study Committee.

The Study Committee shall decide on exceptional enrolment in a higher year on the basis of the student's application. As a rule, the student shall submit the application electronically through the

higher education information system (hereinafter: VIS) no later than ten days before the deadline for enrolment in a higher year, i.e. by 20 September of the current year.

Article 7

(Accelerated progression)

On the basis of an electronic application submitted through VIS and a reasoned opinion of the Study Committee, the Faculty Senate may allow a student holding student status to progress more rapidly through the programme and complete studies in a shorter period than that prescribed by the study programme.

Accelerated progression shall be permitted if the student has performed all study requirements and examinations in courses from lower years at an above-average level and achieved a grade average of at least eight, or has demonstrated other above-average achievements related to the studies. The Senate shall adopt a decision on this matter on the basis of the candidate's application and a reasoned opinion of the Study Committee. The decision shall specify the arrangements for accelerated progression.

2. Re-enrolment in a year

Article 8

(Requirements for repeating a year)

A student who has not completed all requirements stipulated by the study programme for enrolment in a higher year may repeat a year once during studies at an individual cycle of study, provided the student has not previously repeated a year at that cycle.

The Study Committee shall decide on re-enrolment on the basis of the student's application. As a rule, the application shall be submitted electronically through VIS no later than ten days before the deadline for enrolment in a higher year, i.e. by 20 September of the current year.

3. Parallel studies

Article 9

(Definition of parallel studies)

Parallel studies mean simultaneous enrolment in full-time study in two or more study programmes leading to a qualification. A student who successfully completes the obligations under all study programmes shall receive a separate diploma for each parallel study programme.

After successfully completing the first year of study, a student may enrol concurrently in another study programme, provided the enrolment requirements are met.

Article 10

(Requirements for parallel studies)

A student of the Faculty wishing to pursue parallel studies at another higher education institution shall submit an application for consent to the Study Committee. The application for consent shall be submitted electronically through VIS.

A student of another higher education institution wishing to pursue parallel studies at the Faculty shall attach to the enrolment application the consent of the higher education institution at which the student is already enrolled.

The Faculty shall lay down selection criteria in its own rules in the event of restricted enrolment in parallel studies.

A student enrolled in parallel studies shall have rights and obligations in accordance with the legislation governing higher education, the study programme and the Faculty's general acts.

4. Changing the mode of study – second-cycle Law and Law and Real Estate Management

Article 11

(Changing the mode of study)

A part-time student may, as a rule after the first year, change to full-time study during the course of studies if the student fulfils the requirements for enrolment in full-time study laid down in the legislation governing higher education.

The number of places for transfer from part-time to full-time study shall be limited by the number of full-time places in the first year.

If demand exceeds available places, priority shall be given to candidates with better academic achievement, taking into account the candidate's overall grade average on the date the application is considered.

As a rule, an application to change the mode of study shall be submitted electronically through VIS no later than ten days before the deadline for enrolment in a higher year, i.e. by 20 September of the current year. The Study Committee shall decide on the application.

The provisions concerning transfer from part-time to full-time study shall apply mutatis mutandis to transfers from full-time to part-time study.

5. Student status

Article 12

(Termination of student status)

Student status shall terminate:

1. for a student who completes a second-cycle study programme, at the end of the academic year in which the student completed the studies;

2. if a student fails to complete a first- or second-cycle study programme within 12 months after the end of the final semester;

3. if, during the course of studies, the student does not enrol in the next year or semester;

4. if the student withdraws;

5. if the student has been expelled.

Notwithstanding point 2 of the preceding paragraph, student status shall terminate at the end of the final semester if the student has repeated a year or changed the study programme or field during the studies, unless the student enrolled in a higher year than the year in which the student had already been enrolled at that cycle.

In the cases referred to in points 2 and 3 of paragraph one, student status may also be extended for justified reasons, but for no longer than one year.

Female students who give birth during their studies and students who become fathers during their studies shall be entitled to an extension of student status by one year for each live-born child.

In the case referred to in point 1 of paragraph one of this Article, a student may waive student status upon completion of the study programme.

The following circumstances, substantiated by appropriate credible evidence, shall in particular be regarded as justified reasons for extending student status:

- motherhood or fatherhood: female students who give birth during their studies and students who become fathers during their studies shall be entitled to an extension of student status by one year for each live-born child;

- an illness lasting continuously for more than two months during examination periods, having regard to the nature of the illness;

- participation in top-level professional, cultural and sporting events;

- active participation in Faculty bodies (e.g. submitting initiatives, giving opinions and participating in decision-making in accordance with the Faculty Statute);

- exceptional family and social circumstances; and

- recognised status as a person with special needs.

The student must demonstrate that the justified reason referred to in the preceding paragraph directly affected the fulfilment of study requirements. The Study Committee shall assess whether the reasons are justified and whether student status should be extended.

The Study Committee shall decide on the extension of status upon the student's application. As a rule, the student shall submit the application electronically through VIS no later than ten days before the deadline for enrolment in a higher year, i.e. by 20 September of the current year.

Article 13

(Additional year following the final semester)

A student shall obtain entitlement to the additional year following the final semester in accordance with the provisions of ZViS-1.

As a rule, no later than 20 September of the current year, the Student Affairs Office shall invite all students who meet the requirements for using the additional year to enrol. The student shall submit the required documentation and proof of payment of the enrolment fee by the end of the academic year.

Article 14

(Completion of study requirements after loss of student status)

A student whose status has terminated in accordance with Article 12 of these Regulations shall be recorded by the Faculty as a student without status.

In order to complete outstanding requirements (examinations and the master's thesis), a student without status shall pay the fees for the respective examination or master's thesis in accordance with the Faculty's price list.

The Student Affairs Office shall issue an invoice for the outstanding requirement. Payment shall entitle the student to take each individual examination three times.

In particularly justified cases, the Management Board may decide otherwise.

6. Resumption of studies following an interruption

Article 15

(Calculation of interruption of studies)

An interruption of studies shall be calculated from the date on which the student's status terminated. The cases of termination of student status are laid down in Article 12 of these Regulations.

Article 16

(Interruption of studies)

If a student interrupts studies for less than two years, the student may resume and complete studies under the same study programme as was in force upon enrolment.

If more than two years have elapsed since the student interrupted studies, the student shall apply to the Study Committee for permission to resume or complete studies. The student shall submit the application electronically through VIS. Following a favourable decision, an agreement on the resumption or completion of studies shall be concluded, specifying the method of completing

outstanding requirements, the deadline for completing studies and the method of payment of financial obligations in accordance with the Faculty's price list.

If the study programme has changed during the interruption, the Study Committee may require the student to pass differential examinations or complete other additional requirements as a condition for resuming or completing studies.

If, due to developments in the field during a prolonged interruption, the knowledge required for an individual examination before the interruption has become inadequate, the Study Committee may, in addition to specifying differential requirements, decide that the student must retake individual examinations or complete other requirements already completed before the interruption.

Upon payment for an individual examination, the student may take that examination three times.

7. Completion of studies

Article 17

(Requirement for completion of studies)

A master's thesis constitutes the final study requirement which the student must complete, prepare and successfully defend in order to acquire the professional title magister prava/magistrica prava (placed after the given name and surname), magister prava in managementa nepremičnin/magistrica prava in managementa nepremičnin (placed after the given name and surname), magister alternativnega reševanja sporov/magistrica alternativnega reševanja sporov (placed after the given name and surname), or magister civilnega in gospodarskega prava/magistrica civilnega in gospodarskega prava (placed after the given name and surname).

The master's thesis may be defended once the student has completed all other study requirements and settled all financial obligations to the Faculty.

8. Selection of topic and appointment of a supervisor

Article 18

(Master's thesis)

A master's thesis is a written work and must be the result of the student's independent study and research work; it therefore cannot be a group project. Using analytical methods, the student addresses a specific professional or scientific problem and demonstrates the ability to analyse critically and systematically, assess and discuss the chosen topic. The topic must be novel, appropriate, current and useful.

Article 19

(Language of the master's thesis)

The master's thesis shall be written in Slovenian. Exceptionally, a student may write it in a foreign language if the requirements laid down in the Regulations on the Preparation of Final Theses in a Foreign Language at New University are met.

Article 20

(Requirements for registration of the topic)

A student may register a master's thesis topic after completing all examination requirements from the first two semesters and all differential examinations, if these were a condition of admission to the master's study programme.

An application for a master's thesis topic shall be submitted in one copy using the 'Application for a Master's Thesis Topic' form (Annex 1), which shall contain:

- details of the student;

- the proposed working title of the master's thesis;

- the names of the supervisor and co-supervisor and their consent to appointment (signatures).

The application must be accompanied by one copy of the master's thesis proposal prepared in accordance with these Regulations and the Technical Guidelines for the Preparation of Final Theses, together with any application for permission to write in a foreign language, submitted electronically through VIS.

The application and attachments shall, as a rule, be written in Slovenian; they may be written in a foreign language with the consent of the Study Committee.

Article 21

(Selection of topic)

The student shall select a master's thesis topic from the list published by the Faculty or determine it in agreement with the supervisor.

Article 22

(Supervisor)

The supervisor and co-supervisor of a master's thesis shall be academically appointed higher education teachers holding the title of Assistant Professor, Associate Professor or Full Professor. As a rule, the supervisor shall be the course coordinator or teacher on the second-cycle study programme, but may also be any other member of the Faculty's academic assembly, or an academically appointed higher education teacher holding the title of Assistant Professor, Associate Professor or Full Professor who is not a member of the Faculty's academic assembly (external supervisor). The supervisor is obliged to provide the student with appropriate, prompt and ongoing professional assistance in preparing the master's thesis.

As a rule, the student shall personally agree with the selected higher education teacher on undertaking supervision. If the selected supervisor does not respond (i.e. confirm acceptance of supervision) within three days of receiving the request, the student shall notify the Student Affairs Office, which shall again invite the selected supervisor to respond and inform the Dean.

If the student is unable to find a suitable supervisor, the Study Committee shall propose one.

The supervisor shall be approved by the Study Committee. In the case of an external supervisor, the student shall submit a reasoned application to the Study Committee electronically through VIS.

As a rule, a member of the teaching staff may undertake no more than ten supervisions of final theses in an academic year across undergraduate and master's study programmes of New University. The Study Committee shall monitor supervision assignments for each member of the teaching staff.

Article 23

(Change of supervisor)

If, while preparing the master's thesis, the student determines that cooperation with the supervisor or co-supervisor is no longer possible, the student shall request the Study Committee (Annex 3) to propose a different supervisor or co-supervisor. The application for a change of supervisor or co-supervisor shall be submitted electronically through VIS.

A supervisor or co-supervisor may also withdraw from supervision if cooperation with the student is no longer possible. The supervisor or co-supervisor shall inform the Study Committee of the reasons for withdrawal in writing.

The Study Committee shall decide on the justification for the change at its next ordinary meeting. In this case, the entire procedure for registering the master's thesis topic shall be repeated. No more than one change of supervisor or co-supervisor is permitted during preparation of the master's thesis.

Article 24

(Replacement of a supervisor)

If a supervisor is no longer able to carry out supervisory duties due to death, termination of employment or cooperation with the higher education institution, retirement, prolonged absence or another reason, the Study Committee shall appoint a new supervisor for the student without undue delay.

The new supervisor shall assume supervision on the date of appointment and from that date shall have all rights and obligations of a supervisor under these Regulations and other acts of the higher education institution. The new supervisor shall be entitled to review and assess afresh, and where necessary require amendments or additions to, parts of the student's work previously reviewed, approved or confirmed by the former supervisor, if necessary to ensure the professional suitability and quality of the work.

The replacement of a supervisor shall not in itself affect the validity of an already approved topic or title of the final thesis, unless the new supervisor determines that a change of topic or scope is necessary for professional reasons. The competent body shall decide on such change in accordance with these Regulations.

Article 25

(Period of validity of a topic)

An approved master's thesis topic shall remain valid for two years from the date of approval by the Study Committee. On the basis of an application accompanied by the supervisor's consent, the Study Committee may extend the period by a further year. The student shall submit the extension application electronically through VIS.

Article 26

(Withdrawal from a topic)

If the student determines during preparation of the master's thesis that the thesis cannot be completed or wishes to change the topic, the student may request permission from the Study Committee to withdraw from the approved master's thesis topic (Annex 2).

If the Study Committee approves withdrawal from the already approved topic, the student may register a new topic. In this case, the entire registration procedure shall be repeated.

The student may apply to withdraw from an approved master's thesis topic no more than once.

9. Master's thesis proposal

Article 27

(Title and structure of the proposal)

The title must be novel, current and useful and must reflect the essence of the work simply, clearly and unambiguously. It must be neither too long nor too short and must include the key words of the topic addressed. As a rule, it shall contain no more than nine words.

As a rule, the proposal shall comprise twelve to twenty pages and shall consist of three parts: the descriptive part of the proposal; the structure of the work; and separate lists of the intended literature and sources.

Article 28

(Descriptive part of the proposal)

The descriptive part of the proposal must have the following structure, in the stated order:

a) Working title of the master's thesis:

A master's thesis is the result of the student's independent research work upon completion of studies. Students may select proposed topics from those published in the online Student Affairs Office or propose topics themselves in agreement with a supervisor. The topic must relate to the professional or

scientific field in which the student is being trained. The title must reflect the content of the master's thesis.

b) Definition of the problem under consideration and theoretical foundations:

The student shall define the field to be addressed and the problem arising from it. The problem must be defined precisely and clearly. Its dimensions and the significance of its resolution may also be explained. An appropriately defined problem and subject of research provide the basis for formulating working hypotheses or research questions.

c) Purpose and objectives of the master's thesis:

The purpose derives essentially from the defined problem and involves testing the underlying hypothesis or seeking an answer to a research question. The student must answer why the topic is being analysed.

The objectives state what the student must do to achieve the purpose of the research. There may be several objectives and sub-objectives. It is advisable to formulate questions to which the student will seek to provide reasoned answers in the course of researching, formulating and presenting the findings in writing.

d) Proposed methods for achieving the objectives of the master's thesis:

The proposal must specify methods for achieving the objectives. Using them, the student shall seek to resolve the research problem and subject and prove the working hypothesis or answer the research question. The student usually uses one principal scientific research method and may use various auxiliary methods. The methods must not merely be listed: the area and manner of use of each must also be specified.

e) Proposed assumptions and limitations in addressing the problem:

The student shall clearly state the principal assumptions, hypotheses or research questions. They and the limitations form the starting point for addressing the topic. Assumptions are important since it is almost never possible to consider all factors defining a field. Limitations may also be included in the master's thesis, such as restricted access to data, trade or state secrets, insufficient professional literature, or unwillingness of responsible persons to cooperate.

f) Testing hypotheses or answering research questions:

The student shall state how, or by what means, hypotheses will be tested or research questions answered.

g) Assessment of previous research in the field addressed:

The student shall accurately refer to already published work in the field and explain how the proposed work differs from it.

h) Expected results of the work:

The student shall state the main results expected from carrying out the research.

Article 29

(Structure of the proposal)

The student shall provide an outline table of contents of the master's thesis (chapters and subchapters). For each part or chapter, the student shall indicate what will be addressed.

Article 30

(Separate lists of intended literature and sources)

The final part of the proposal shall list sources and literature. The master's thesis proposal must contain at least 30 items of literature and sources, of which at least one fifth must be foreign literature and sources. All listed sources must exist and be verifiable. The student is responsible for the accuracy and authenticity of the stated literature and sources. Citing non-existent or fabricated sources is prohibited.

When registering the master's thesis topic, especially when selecting the topic, defining the working propositions (structure) and explaining the topic, the student must be aware:

- that a master's thesis is a professional work which must contribute to a particular science or profession;

- that basic and applied research is based on numerous scientific methods and that the student must master the methodology and techniques of research and preparation of professional works;

- that an appropriate application can be prepared by a student with solid general and specific knowledge of the topic, research competence, some familiarity with current literature on the subject, and a strong desire and motivation to complete the research undertaken.

Article 31

(Procedure for submitting and approving the proposal)

Before submitting the master's thesis topic application (proposal) in writing, the student must send it electronically by email to the Student Affairs Office.

Within five days at the latest, the Student Affairs Office and a higher education teacher authorised by the Study Committee must check that the student satisfies the requirements for registering the master's thesis and that the proposal contains all required components.

The Student Affairs Office shall inform the student whether the requirements are met and the technical review has been completed. If deficiencies are found, the student shall be notified and must correct or supplement the proposal as instructed and resubmit it for review.

Once notified that the requirements are met and the proposal is technically satisfactory, the student shall submit one double-sided printed copy of the proposal together with the signed topic application form to the Student Affairs Office, which shall forward it to the Study Committee.

Matters delivered to the Student Affairs Office no later than three days before the scheduled Study Committee meeting shall be placed on its agenda. As a rule, the Study Committee meets during the first week of each month.

The Study Committee shall determine whether the proposed topic has already been addressed in other master's theses and shall approve or reject the registered topic and supervisor or require further justification and supplementation.

The Study Committee may repeat a technical and substantive review of the submitted proposal and approve or reject it or require further justification and supplementation, for substantive as well as technical reasons.

If the Study Committee considers that the proposed supervisor is not the most appropriate for the selected topic, it may propose another supervisor, who must consent both to supervision and to the proposal.

No later than ten days after the conclusion of the ordinary meeting, the Student Affairs Office shall send the Study Committee's decision rejecting, requiring supplementation of, or approving the topic and supervisor to the student, supervisor and, where appointed, co-supervisor.

For the second-cycle Alternative Dispute Resolution and Civil and Commercial Law programmes, the second-year requirement 'Individual Research Work' shall be recorded as completed on the date of the Study Committee's decision approving the topic and supervisor.

10. Preparation and submission of the master's thesis

Article 32

(Submission of a master's thesis)

A candidate may commence the procedure for submitting the master's thesis once all examinations and seminar papers prescribed by the study programme, amounting to 90 CP in total, have been completed.

Article 33

(Review of the master's thesis)

The student shall submit a draft master's thesis to the supervisor for review. The supervisor shall provide written instructions for amendments and supplements no later than thirty days after receiving the draft. If the thesis is written in a foreign language, the supervisor's written instructions must be in that foreign language. The supervisor shall also inform the student whether the revised work must be submitted again for review. If plagiarism is suspected, the supervisor may submit the thesis to the library for a preliminary check, observing the applicable Technical Guidelines for the Preparation of Final Theses. If the thesis contains non-existent or fabricated sources, it shall not be considered suitable for continuing the procedure; any disciplinary liability of the student shall be assessed under the regulations governing student disciplinary liability.

Before approving the thesis for defence, the supervisor must ensure compliance with the applicable Technical Guidelines for the Preparation of Final Theses. Before final confirmation that the thesis is ready for assessment by the expert committee for assessment and defence of the master's thesis, the supervisor and student must ensure that the library's DPV report is acceptable (similarity to other works must fall within the limits set by the Technical Guidelines).

The student shall submit the final thesis to the Student Affairs Office for checking with DPV software, and the Student Affairs Office shall forward it to the library. The library shall send the similarity report to the student, supervisor and Student Affairs Office. If the similarity percentage is acceptable under the Technical Guidelines, the supervisor shall notify the Student Affairs Office that the thesis is ready for assessment by the expert committee for assessment and defence (Annex 4). The proposal shall be forwarded to the Study Committee for appointment of the assessment committee.

After the supervisor's approval, the student shall submit three double-sided printed spiral-bound copies of the master's thesis and the Declaration of Authorship (Annex 5) to the Student Affairs Office. After receiving these documents, the Student Affairs Office shall request the supervisor to prepare and deliver a supervisor's report within ten days.

The master's thesis shall be deemed submitted when delivered to the Student Affairs Office.

Article 34

(Supervisor's report on the assessment of the master's thesis)

The supervisor must prepare a review and assessment report within ten days of the request from the Student Affairs Office. In particular, the report shall contain:

1. identification of the candidate, topic and supervisor;

2. formal characteristics of the thesis: suitability of the title/topic; length and chapter structure; extent and suitability of the literature and sources used;

3. substantive characteristics of the thesis: assessment of the achieved research purpose and objectives; answers to research questions or confirmation/rejection of hypotheses; appropriateness of the methods used; assessment of research results; contribution to the profession; and usefulness of research results.

Article 35

(Expert committee for the assessment and defence of the master's thesis)

At its first meeting after submission of the form and the master's thesis in physical form to the Student Affairs Office, the Study Committee shall appoint an expert committee for assessment and defence of the master's thesis (hereinafter: the Expert Committee). It shall have three members, including the supervisor, or four members if there is also a co-supervisor.

Article 36

(Comments by the Expert Committee)

After appointment of the Expert Committee by the Study Committee, the Student Affairs Office shall forward the master's thesis and supervisor's report to the remaining committee members. Within thirty days of receipt, they must submit comments to the Student Affairs Office or notify it that they have none.

If the master's thesis is written in a foreign language, the Expert Committee's written instructions must be in that language.

Article 37

(Proofreading and technical review of the master's thesis)

After addressing any comments made by Expert Committee members, the student shall prepare the final version in cooperation with the supervisor and send it by email in Word format to the Student Affairs Office. No more than 30 days may elapse from receipt of the last committee member's comment to submission of the final version to the Student Affairs Office.

The Student Affairs Office shall forward the final version to the library for technical review. The library shall check the work again using DPV software and verify its compliance with the technical requirements of the applicable Technical Guidelines for the Preparation of Final Theses. The first library review must be completed within seven days. The library, student and supervisor shall cooperate directly to correct deficiencies; the student must resubmit the work for technical review within ten days. No more than thirty days may elapse from initial submission for technical review to final approval.

The library shall provide two free sample technical reviews of the master's thesis, on the basis of which the student must comprehensively correct all technical deficiencies. Otherwise the library shall refuse to confirm technical suitability. A third unsuccessful technical review and any further sample technical reviews shall be chargeable under the price list.

After technical approval by the library, the student shall send the thesis for proofreading.

The proofreader shall ensure the text's orthographic, grammatical and stylistic correctness. A proofreader of a master's thesis in Slovenian shall be a Slovenian language teacher, a graduate in Slovenian studies or a person holding a proofreading licence. A proofreader for a thesis in a foreign language shall have a university qualification in that foreign language. After proofreading, the student shall submit two electronic copies (PDF and Word formats) and a completed, signed Proofreader's Declaration (Annex 6) to the Student Affairs Office.

11. Defence of the master's thesis

Article 38

(Scheduling the master's thesis defence)

The student shall defend the master's thesis before the Expert Committee, consisting of a chair and two members, one of whom is the supervisor. In the case of co-supervision, there shall be three members in addition to the chair.

The chair and Expert Committee members shall determine the date and time of the defence in cooperation with the Student Affairs Office. As a rule, the defence must be held within fifteen days from submission of two proofread electronic copies (PDF and Word formats) to the Student Affairs Office, except during the summer holidays, when deadlines do not run, and in the period after the summer holidays, when the thesis must be submitted by the end of August of the current academic year so that it can be defended in the following month.

As a rule, the Student Affairs Office shall inform the student of the date and time five days before the defence.

Article 39

(Announcement of the defence)

The defence shall be public. As a rule, the place and time shall be published on the Faculty website five days before the defence.

Recording shall be permitted only with prior consent from the Faculty, candidate and Expert Committee members.

Article 40

(Conduct of the defence)

The defence shall be conducted by the chair of the Expert Committee for the master's thesis defence.

It shall take place in Slovenian or in the foreign language approved by the Study Committee for preparation of the master's thesis.

Minutes shall be taken of the defence.

Before the defence, the Expert Committee shall meet in closed session to determine whether all conditions for the defence are satisfied and decide on commencing it.

Article 41

(Presentation of the master's thesis at the defence)

The chair shall open the defence by introducing the student and verifying from the documentation whether the student has completed all obligations prescribed by the master's study programme. The chair shall then explain the procedure and announce the master's thesis topic.

The student shall present the master's thesis within fifteen minutes, using audiovisual aids if desired, focusing on:

- reasons and motives for choosing the topic;

- the research problem and subject, including the research questions or hypotheses;

- limiting factors and difficulties encountered during the research;

- the most important results, presented clearly and systematically;

- findings, principles, models, theories and facts that resolved the research problem and subject, achieved the purpose and objectives and answered the research questions or tested the hypotheses;

- the contribution to science and the profession;

- the application of the thesis results.

After the presentation, the supervisor shall report on the master's thesis, after which Expert Committee members may each ask up to three questions. The student shall also answer follow-up questions.

The answers to the questions posed shall last up to thirty minutes.

Article 42

(Assessment of the quality of the master's thesis)

After the defence, Expert Committee members shall assess the master's thesis and the defence in a closed session.

The chair shall announce the grade and proclaim the student a master in the relevant field.

The chair shall enter the grade and sign the minutes last.

A supervisor who considers the final thesis eligible for an award or commendation shall submit a proposal with a short justification to the Study Committee. Before each degree-awarding ceremony, the Study Committee shall review all proposals and select three recipients of awards or commendations for above-average final theses in each Faculty study programme.

Article 43

(Grading scale)

The Expert Committee shall assess the master's thesis and defence using the ECTS grading scale, from excellent (10) to insufficient (5). The overall grade comprises the thesis grade and the defence grade. Through the defence, the student may retain the final thesis grade or improve or reduce it by one grade.

Assessment shall take into account the complexity of the topic or problem, successful application of acquired knowledge in resolving a case, the student's creative contribution, the practical value of findings, quality of the thesis presentation and quality of answers to questions.

Article 44

(Repeated defence of the master's thesis)

A defence awarded an insufficient grade (5) by the Expert Committee cannot be repeated unless the Expert Committee unanimously decides to adjourn the defence already commenced for particularly justified reasons on the candidate's part.

Article 45

(Objection to a grade)

If the student disagrees with the master's thesis grade, a written objection may be lodged. The Faculty's Regulations on the Examination and Assessment of Students' Knowledge shall apply mutatis mutandis to resolving it.

Article 46

(Certificate of completion of studies)

After a successful defence, the Student Affairs Office shall enter the grade in the electronic student record and issue three provisional certificates of completion of master's studies, replacing the degree certificate until it is issued. The Dean shall sign them.

The date of acquiring the professional title shall be the date of the master's thesis defence.

Article 47

(Copies of the master's thesis)

The Student Affairs Office shall send identical electronic PDF and Word copies of the thesis to the library for online publication.

If the student does not want the full thesis publicly available online in the ReVIS repository, the student must nevertheless submit electronic PDF and Word copies and two additional printed copies to the Student Affairs Office. The thesis shall be entered in COBISS, registered and searchable in ReVIS, but its text shall not be publicly available online. One printed copy shall be available for loan and the other retained for the archive.

By agreement with the supervisor, the student shall also submit one printed copy for the supervisor.

Article 48

(Records of master's graduates)

The Student Affairs Office shall maintain records of each master's graduate, including all documentation concerning the course and completion of the master's studies.

12. Withdrawal of a professional title

Article 49

(Withdrawal of a professional title)

Withdrawal of a professional title shall be governed by the Regulations on the Withdrawal of Professional or Scientific Titles at New University and its Member Institutions.

13. Withdrawal

Article 50

(Withdrawal from the Faculty)

A student who does not intend to complete studies may withdraw from the Faculty by electronically submitting an application through VIS.

The Student Affairs Office shall check with the accounting department whether all financial obligations have been settled.

Once they are settled, the Student Affairs Office shall issue a written certificate of withdrawal from the Faculty.

14. Communication between students and Faculty bodies and working bodies

Article 51

(Communication through the higher education information system)

In procedures considering and deciding on student applications, communication between students and the Faculty's bodies and working bodies shall take place through VIS.

Exceptionally, communication may take place through physical documents sent by post. A student unable to use VIS for objective reasons shall submit a request to the Student Affairs Office for written postal communication, giving justified reasons.

Article 52

(Submission of an application)

A student may submit an application electronically through VIS using their username and password. Attachments may also be submitted in electronic (scanned) form by email.

If the student does not submit an electronic application in accordance with the preceding paragraph, the Student Affairs Office shall inform the student of the correct submission method by email.

Article 53

(Issuing decisions in electronic form)

The Faculty's bodies and working bodies shall issue decisions on students' submissions and other applications electronically. A decision shall be deemed electronically issued if signed with the qualified-certificate electronic signature of the authorised person, or if issued on paper and then converted (scanned) into electronic form by the Faculty's Student Affairs Office.

Article 54

(Service)

Decisions of Faculty bodies and working bodies shall be served electronically through VIS or, exceptionally, in writing by post.

A document shall be deemed served on the student on the third working day following its recording in VIS. The student shall be notified by SMS and/or email. If exceptionally served by registered post, service shall be determined under the General Administrative Procedure Act (hereinafter: ZUP).

Where the law governing general administrative procedure applies, this chapter applies only insofar as it does not conflict with that law.

Where the student could not acquaint themselves with the document for justified reasons, the student may request restoration to the previous procedural position under ZUP.

III. FINAL PROVISION

Article 55

(Entry into force of the Regulations)

The amendments and supplements to these Regulations shall enter into force upon their adoption by the Management Board of the European Faculty of Law of New University and shall apply from 1 October 2026.

The Regulations as amended and supplemented shall be published on the website of the European Faculty of Law of New University.

Nova Gorica, 29 September 2026



prof. dr. Peter Jambrek
Chair of the Management Board
European Faculty of Law of New University

ANNEXES

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Annex 1

APPLICATION FOR A MASTER'S THESIS TOPIC

Student registration number: _____

Student (full name): _____

Address: _____ Postcode and town:

_____

Telephone/mobile: _____ Email: _____

Study programme: _____

Enrolment in Year 1 – academic year _____/_____

Enrolment in Year 2 – academic year _____/_____

Enrolment in the additional year _____/_____

Enrolment in the extended additional year _____/_____

I HEREBY APPLY TO REGISTER THE FOLLOWING MASTER'S THESIS TOPIC:

(Please write the exact title of the master's thesis legibly in lowercase block letters.)

_____

_____

☐ Topic proposed by the supervisor ☐ Topic proposed by the candidate in agreement with the supervisor

SUPERVISOR: _____ Signature:

_____

CO-SUPERVISOR: _____ Signature:

_____

I attach the following to the application for approval of the topic and supervisor:

1. the supervisor's consent (the supervisor's signature above);

2. a brief explanation of the master's thesis topic (proposal) in one (1) copy;

3. where applicable, an application for permission to write in a foreign language.

I confirm that before registering the topic I checked the list of registered and approved topics and the list of completed master's theses on the Faculty website in order to avoid duplication of topics.

ANY COMMENTS BY THE SUPERVISOR:

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_____

Date: _____ Student's signature: _____

Annex 2

WITHDRAWAL FROM A MASTER'S THESIS TOPIC

Student registration number: _____

Student (full name): _____

Address: _____ Postcode and town:

_____

Telephone/mobile: _____ Email: _____

Study programme: _____

Enrolment in Year 1 – academic year _____/_____

Enrolment in Year 2 – academic year _____/_____

Enrolment in the additional year _____/_____

Enrolment in the extended additional year _____/_____

Title of the approved master's thesis topic:

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Reasoned grounds for withdrawal:

_____

_____

SUPERVISOR: _____ Signature:

_____

CO-SUPERVISOR: _____ Signature:

_____

Date: _____ Student's signature: _____

APPROVED / NOT APPROVED

Date: _____ Dean's signature: _____

Annex 3

CHANGE OF SUPERVISOR FOR A MASTER'S THESIS

Student registration number: _____

Student (full name): _____

Address: _____ Postcode and town:

_____

Telephone/mobile: _____ Email: _____

Study programme: _____

Title of the approved master's thesis topic:

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Reasoned grounds for changing the supervisor:

_____

_____

Proposed new supervisor: _____

SUPERVISOR: _____ Signature:

_____

CO-SUPERVISOR: _____ Signature:

_____

Date: _____ Student's signature: _____

APPROVED / NOT APPROVED

Date: _____ Signature of the Chair of the Study Committee:

_____

Annex 4

PROPOSAL TO THE STUDY COMMITTEE FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF A MASTER'S THESIS ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE

Student: _____

Master's thesis topic:

_____

_____

I, the supervisor, _____, hereby confirm that the submitted master's thesis meets the criteria laid down in the Regulations on Studies in Master's Study Programmes of the European Faculty of Law of New University, and propose that the Study Committee appoint a three-member expert committee for the assessment of the master's thesis.

I propose the following persons as members of the expert committee for the assessment of the master's thesis:

- _____

- _____

Supervisor: _____

Place: _____ Date:

_____

Annex 5

DECLARATION OF AUTHORSHIP

Student details:

Student registration number: _____ Student (full name): _____

Address: _____ Postcode and town:

_____

Telephone/mobile: _____ Email: _____

Study programme: _____

Final thesis details:

Title of the approved final thesis topic:

_____

SUPERVISOR: _____ CO-SUPERVISOR:

_____

By signing, I declare that:

- the submitted final thesis is exclusively the result of my own research work;

- the thesis was prepared in accordance with the Technical Guidelines of New University and the comments of the supervisor and committee members;

- I have ensured that the works and opinions of other authors used in the submitted thesis are acknowledged or cited in accordance with Faculty guidelines;

- I am aware that plagiarism – presenting the works of others, whether as quotations, verbatim paraphrases or graphics, in such a way that the thoughts or ideas of others are presented as my own – is punishable by law (Copyright and Related Rights Act (ZASP), Official Gazette of the Republic of Slovenia, No. 16/07 – official consolidated text, as amended);

- the electronic version of the submitted thesis has been technically approved and is suitable, and I consent to the University Library of New University publishing the final thesis on its websites under conditions permitting unlimited reproduction, distribution, making available to the public and adaptation for translation for non-commercial purposes, provided that authorship of the original work is properly acknowledged. If only part of the final thesis is subsequently reproduced or disseminated, this must be clearly indicated. The authorisation for subsequent transfer of rights granted pursuant to this indent shall also apply to the transfer of rights to openly accessible digital libraries and repositories;

- I have settled my obligations to the library.

Date: _____ Student's signature: _____

Annex 6

PROOFREADER'S DECLARATION

I, the undersigned, _____,

(full name and professional title of proofreader)

Date of birth: _____,

hereby declare that the final thesis entitled:

_____

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_____

by: _____,

(full name of the author of the final thesis)

is correct in terms of grammar, language and professional terminology.

Place and date:

_____

_____

(Proofreader's signature)

*Note: The proofreader's declaration does not form part of the final thesis. The completed and signed declaration must be submitted to the Student Affairs Office.