Bylaws Regarding the Selection Procedure and Selection Criteria for the Degree Programs in the Faculty of Psychology and Human Movement Science
dated 9 November 2022

On 13 February 2023 in accordance with Section 10 subsection 1 of the higher education admissions act (Gesetz über die Zulassung zum Hochschulstudium in Hamburg, HZG) dated 28 December 2004 (HmbGVBl. p. 515) and last amended by Section 1 of the second amendment law (Zweites Gesetz zur Änderung des Hochschulzulassungsgesetzes) dated 15 May 2018 (HmbGVBl. p. 188), the Executive University Board of Universität Hamburg ratified the Bylaws Regarding the Selection Procedure and Selection Criteria for the Degree Programs in the Faculty of Psychology and Human Movement Science adopted by the Faculty of Psychology and Human Movement Science on 9 November 2022.
Section 1
Scope

1) In accordance with the HZG and the bylaws of Universität Hamburg for University admission dated 21 July 2014 (Universitätszulassungssatzung, UniZS) (official government gazette no. 84 p.1840) as amended, these bylaws govern the selection of applicants applying for first-year student placement (Section 6 subsection 1 no. 1 and subsection 2 no.1 UniZS) in restricted-admission degree programs or degree components offered by the faculty that are not included in the university place allocation procedure of the Central Office for Allocating Admissions (ZVS). The bylaws also apply to the selection of international applicants for degree programs that are included in the university place allocation procedure of the Central Office.

(2) Furthermore, these bylaws also apply to the selection of applicants for a higher subject semester (Section 2 subsection 2 UNiZS) in restricted-admission degree programs or degree components as well as restricted-admission consecutive master’s programs offered by the faculty.

(3) Supplementary rules for the selection procedure and criteria for individual degree programs are set forth in the appendix. The appendix is subdivided into the following:
   • A. Bachelor’s degree programs
   • B. Master’s degree programs
The degree programs are numbered consecutively.

Section 2
Selection of applicants

Section 5 subsection 2 sentence 1 UniZS:
The places available for first-year students pursuant to Section 5 subsection 2 no. 1 UniZS will be awarded in accordance with the grade point average of the higher education entrance eligibility, unless otherwise provided for in the appendix.

Section 3
Selection of international applicants
International applicants (Section 6 subsection 1 UniZS) are selected in accordance with the provisions of Section 6 subsections 2 and 3 UniZS.

Section 4
Selection of applicants for a higher subject semester
(1) Unless otherwise provided for in the appendix, places available pursuant to Section 13 subsection 1 UniZS for a higher subject semester are awarded to applicants as follows: 1. Fifty percent in accordance with performance rendered during the previous degree program, in the event of the same grade point average, then in accordance with the grade point average of the higher education entrance eligibility,
and 2. Fifty percent in accordance with the grade point average of the higher education entrance eligibility, in the event of the same grade point average then in accordance with performance rendered during the previous degree program.

(2) The ratio set forth in subsection 1 no. 1 takes precedence over the ratio set forth in subsection 1 no. 2.

**Section 5**

**Selection of applicants for a consecutive master’s program**

Applicants for a consecutive master’s program in accordance with Section 19 in conjunction with Section 16 subsection 2 no. 1 UniZS are selected on the basis of the results of the first higher education degree and in the event of equivalent performance then in accordance with the grade point average of the higher education entrance eligibility, unless otherwise provided for in the appendix.

**Section 6**

**Selection committee**

The dean appoints a selection committee for special selection procedures. A selection committee must be comprised of at least two members with voting rights, with a substitute appointed for each member of the committee. All members of the selection committee entitled to vote must possess the examiner qualification for examinations in the respective degree program.

**Section 7**

**Reasonable accommodations**

On application, appropriate reasonable accommodations are provided where a student can demonstrate that disability has resulted in disadvantage against other applicants in the selection procedure and selection criteria. The disability representative must be consulted pursuant to Section 88 subsection 3 HmbHG. Extensions of school and training periods because of a disability may not be assessed unfavorably against the applicant.

**Section 8**

**Effective date**

These bylaws become effective following official publication by Universität Hamburg.
I. Appendix

A. Bachelor’s degree programs

1. Bachelor of Science in Psychology

1.1 If the number of applications meeting the special conditions of admission exceeds the number of places available in the Bachelor of Science in Psychology degree program, selection is conducted using selection criteria determined by the average grade of the higher education entrance eligibility and the results obtained by applicants in the voluntary bachelor’s psychology degree program aptitude test (BaPsy-DGPs) offered by the German Psychological Society (Deutsche Gesellschaft für Psychologie e.V. (DGPs))

1.2 The BaPsy-DGPs is provided and conducted by the TransMIT GmbH (https://www.transmit.de) center for academic psychology services (DGPs). The BaPsy-DGPs is a valid, reliable, objective, and economical process for assessing the aptitude of individuals to study psychology. The BaPsy-DGPs ascertains whether applicants are suited to a psychology bachelor’s degree program, based on their previous knowledge of psychology and their cognitive abilities. Detailed information about test content and test procedures as well as the calculation of test results can be found on the website at: https://www.studieneignungstest-psychologie.de.

1.3 The BaPsy-DGPs may not be more than five years old, after which it is no longer valid. If a test provider permits a subsequent taking of the test within the validity period, the oldest test result is considered for the selection procedure.

1.4 The rank of an applicant is determined by the score of the selection criteria; applicants with higher scores receive a higher ranking. Parity of ranking is decided by drawing lots.

1.5 The selection criteria are calculated as follows:

1. The higher education entrance eligibility score is calculated as follows: the higher education entrance eligibility score = 10 – higher education entrance eligibility grade, where the grade lies between 0.9 and 9.9 differentiated by intervals of 0.1. If no higher education entrance eligibility grade is available, it is set as 9.9.

2. The grade for the BaPsy-DGPs is calculated as BaPsy-DGPs score = percentile rank of the BaPsy-DGPs x 0.09 + 0.1. If a BaPsy-DGPs result is not available, the percentile rank is set as 0.

3. The score of the selection criteria is calculated as the higher education entrance eligibility score x 0.51 + BaPsy-DGPs score x 0.49.
B. Master’s degree programs

1. Psychology masters programs
   If the number of applications meeting the special conditions of admission exceeds the number of places available in the Master of Science in Clinical Psychology and Psychotherapy (MSc) or the Master of Science in Psychology (MSc), applicants are selected as follows:
   Applications are ranked with the best result or the best weighted average grade receiving the first ranking using the weighted average (50/50) from the average of the higher education entrance eligibility and the preliminary GPA or overall grade for the successfully completed Bachelor of Science in Psychology. Applications with the same weighted average grade will be selected by drawing lots.

2. Master of Science in Human Movement Science with an Area of Concentration in Health Research
   If the number of applications meeting the special conditions of admission exceeds the number of places available for the Master of Science in Human Movement Science with an Area of Concentration in Health Research, applicants are selected as follows:
   Applicants who fulfill the requirements under 2.1 and 2.2 of the special conditions of admission for the Master of Science in Human Movement Science with an Area of Concentration in Health Research will be awarded places according to the results of the first higher education degree.

3. Master of Arts in Performance Studies
   If the number of applications meeting the special conditions of admission exceeds the number of places available for the Master of Arts in Performance Studies, applicants are selected according to the results of the first higher education degree. Applications with the same results will be selected by drawing lots.

4. Master of Science in Human Movement and Sports Science
   If the number of applications meeting the special conditions of admission exceeds the number of places available for the Master of Science in Human Movement and Sports Science, places will be awarded as follows:

   4.1 Applicants who fulfill the requirements under 4.1 and 4.2 of the special conditions of admission for the Master of Science in Human Movement and Sports Science will be awarded places according to the results of the first higher education degree.

These bylaws become effective following official publication by Universität Hamburg. They apply to students commencing their studies in or after Winter Semester 2023/24.