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Regulation on admission restrictions for the Master's programme in Molecular Medicine at the Medical University of Innsbruck for admissions from the 2026/27 academic year onwards

In accordance with § 71c in conjunction with § 63a UG idgF, and following consultation with the Senate, the Rectorate of the Medical University of Innsbruck has issued the following regulation on admission restrictions for the Master's programme in Molecular Medicine, which was approved by the University Council on 25.11.2025:

I. Content of the regulation and authorisation to issue regulations

§ 1. (1) This regulation governs the restriction of access to the Master's programme in Molecular Medicine at the Medical University of Innsbruck on the basis of an admission procedure prior to admission to the programme.

(2) The Rectorate has

1. the protective regulations and hygiene measures that may be necessary due to external, uncontrollable events or occurrences (epidemics, pandemics, etc.) for all stages of the procedure in which the personal presence of applicants is required,
2. if necessary due to external events or circumstances beyond our control (epidemics, pandemics, etc.), the postponement of the admission procedure date or a change in the procedure without the physical presence of the applicant in Innsbruck, and
3. to establish the provisions for the selection of applicants in the event of "prevention of parts of the admission procedure (selection interview) in accordance with § 8 (1), variant 2, due to force majeure".

II. Scope

§ 2. The regulation on admission restrictions to the Master's programme in Molecular Medicine applies to all applicants for the Master's programme in Molecular Medicine at the Medical University of Innsbruck. Applicants are admitted exclusively at the beginning of the respective academic year.

§ 3. The provisions for the admission procedure pursuant to §§ 5 ff do not apply to:

1. students who are admitted to the Master's programme in Molecular Medicine at the Medical University of Innsbruck at the time of the admission procedure and who continue their studies (§ 62 UG),
2. students who are admitted to a Master's programme in Molecular Medicine at a foreign university or equivalent foreign recognised post-secondary educational institution and who are studying at the Medical University of Innsbruck as part of an international mobility programme (e.g. ERASMUS),
3. Career changers (§ 17) and
4. Applicants who are at least in their 5th semester of the Bachelor's programme in Molecular Medicine at the Medical University of Innsbruck or have already completed it and have at least 120 ECTS credits and a grade point average of at least 2.5 (§ 8 (1), variant 1).

III. Number of study places

Section 4. (1) The following number of places shall be determined in accordance with available capacity and in accordance with Section 71c (2) of the University Act (UG) and the performance agreement concluded with the Federal Ministry of Education, Science and Research for the Master's programme in Molecular Medicine at the Medical University of Innsbruck: **30**.

(2) Several years of experience have shown that the number of places available in the first semester falls below 30 due to students with fixed study places not accepting their places or dropping out within the first

semester. Therefore, the member of the Rectorate of the Medical University of Innsbruck responsible for admissions may increase the number of places to a maximum of 33.

IV. Admission procedure for the Master's programme in Molecular Medicine

§ 5. (1) The admission of applicants for the Master's programme in Molecular Medicine is governed by the admission procedure in accordance with §§ 5 ff. Places on the Master's programme in Molecular Medicine are allocated as part of the admission procedure (QMM-MSc), to which a maximum of 50 applicants are invited (Section 8 (1), Variant 2), taking into account the places already offered under Variant 1 (Section 3 (4)).

There are two variants of an application in the admission procedure (§ 8):

- Option 1: fixed study place offer without selection interview
- Option 2: Admission procedure with selection interview

Applicants must choose one of the two options. A hybrid form is not possible and will result in the online application of these applicants being invalid and not considered. Requests for improvement are not to be made.

(2) Persons who, at the time of registration, are eligible to participate in the admission procedure (§§ 5 ff) are those who

1. have completed a bachelor's degree in molecular medicine at the Medical University of Innsbruck or are in the final phase of such a degree, or
2. have completed a bachelor's, diploma or master's degree related to the bachelor's degree programme in Molecular Medicine at a recognised domestic or foreign post-secondary educational institution or are in the final phase of such a programme.

(3) The costs incurred by applicants in the course of the admission procedure pursuant to Sections 5 ff are not refundable.

(4) Only the procedural regulations of this regulation and the regulations issued by the Rectorate in accordance with § 1 (2) apply to the admission procedure in question.

Internet registration

§ 6. (1) Regardless of the option chosen in accordance with § 8 (1) (Option 1 or Option 2), applicants must register online via the ANV Management Portal within the registration period. The registration deadline for the respective academic year is published annually on the website of the Medical University of Innsbruck at (https://www.i-med.ac.at/studium/zulassung/aufnahme_zulassung_msc.html.en).

(2) In addition to general personal data (surname, first name, place of residence, etc.), the choice of field of study and the choice of the respective option (option 1 or option 2) must be specified during this online registration (§ 5 (1)). Data processing is carried out on the basis of the statutory provisions, in particular Art. 6 and Art. 9 of the EU GDPR, § 3 in conjunction with § 71c of the University Act (UG) and the Education Documentation Act.

(3) The information provided regarding the choice of field of study and the respective variant (Section 5 (1)) is binding. No changes can be made after payment of the cost contribution (Section 7).

(4) Valid online registration is a prerequisite for participation in the admission procedure. Online registration after the end of the registration period (Section 6 (1)) or an extension of the registration deadline is not possible. Online registration is only possible within the specified period and only becomes valid once the fee (§ 7) has been paid in full and on time and all documents (§ 8) have been uploaded in full. Registrations without full payment of the fee and without complete and timely uploading of the documents (§ 8) will not be considered.

(5) The website through which registration takes place will be published on the website of the Medical University of Innsbruck (https://www.i-med.ac.at/studium/zulassung/aufnahme_zulassung_msc.html.en) by the end of February of the respective year at the latest.

(6) Incomplete, untruthful, non-compliant or late applications are invalid and will not be considered. Requests for corrections will not be made.

(7) Please note that all information provided to applicants by the Medical University of Innsbruck will be sent electronically. This also means that applicants must actively retrieve information from an ANV Management Portal set up specifically for this purpose.

In addition, applicants are obliged to check their ANV Management Portal regularly – at least daily during the period of study place allocation in accordance with Sections 14 to 16 – for the receipt of electronic messages from the Medical University of Innsbruck or to have it checked.

Cost sharing

§ 7. (1) Applicants must contribute to the costs of the admission procedure (§§ 5 ff and § 8 (1), variant 1 or variant 2). The contribution amounts to €60.

(2) The contribution must be paid within the deadline published on the website of the Medical University of Innsbruck https://www.i-med.ac.at/studium/zulassung/aufnahme_zulassung_msc.html.en, using one of the payment options offered by the Medical University of Innsbruck as part of the online application process, and must be paid in full into the account specified by the Medical University of Innsbruck as part of the online application process. The necessary information will be provided on the ANV Management Portal as part of the online application process (§ 6). Applicants are expressly obliged to follow the information on the ANV Management Portal of the Medical University of Innsbruck and to pay the cost contribution in such a way that the contribution is received in good time in the correct bank account of the Medical University of Innsbruck and to check that the cost contribution has been paid correctly. Applicants must also ensure that a payment confirmation is displayed in the system.

(3) An online application is invalid and participation in the admission procedure is therefore excluded if the fee has not been received in full by the end of the respective application deadline or if the documents required in accordance with § 8 (1), variant 1 or variant 2, have not been uploaded correctly or are incomplete. Participation in the admission procedure (Section 8 (1), variant 1 or variant 2) is therefore excluded and, in this case, no place at the university will be offered. Requests for improvement are not to be made.

(4) If applicants do not attend the selection interview despite having validly registered online (§ 6) or if they withdraw from the interview, they shall not be entitled to a refund of the fee paid. Similarly, applicants shall not be entitled to a refund of the fee paid if they fail to upload the necessary documents in accordance with § 8 (1), variant 1 or variant 2, in a timely manner, correctly or completely (§ 7 (3)).

Document upload

§ 8. (1) Applicants must make a binding decision in favour of one of the two options (option 1 or option 2) when registering online (§ 6) and upload the required documents in full and in accordance with the [upload specifications](#) to the ANV Management Portal by the deadline:

- Option 1:** fixed place of study without selection interview (para. 2)
- Option 2:** Admission procedure with selection interview (para. 3)

In the case referred to in option 2, the documents uploaded by the deadline (transcripts of records) will be evaluated by a selection committee, with the maximum number of applicants to be invited to the selection interview being 50, taking into account the study places already offered under option 1. The 50 applicants or the number of applicants reduced by option 1 with the best evaluation will be invited to a selection interview (para. 3).

(2) Option 1: fixed study place offer without selection interview:

Applicants who

- are in the 5th or a higher semester of the Bachelor's programme in Molecular Medicine at the Medical University of Innsbruck or
- have already completed this programme and
- have at least 120 ECTS credits and
- a grade point average of at least 2.5 (§ 3 Z 4),

will in any case be offered a place on the programme (without a selection interview) provided that, in addition to fulfilling the other requirements (§§ 6 and 7), the following documents have been uploaded in full and in accordance with the [upload specifications](#) to the ANV Management Portal by the deadline:

- Transcript of Records: Proof of academic achievement with a grade point average of at least 2.5 and details of the 120 ECTS credits (official document from the educational institution).

If the documents are not uploaded correctly to the ANV Management Portal, or if they are uploaded after the specified deadline and do not comply with the [upload requirements](#), the online application will be invalid (§ 6

(4)). Participation in the admission procedure is therefore excluded. Registration under option 2 is also no longer possible for the respective academic year. Uploads or subsequent submissions outside the specified deadline will not be considered. No requests for improvement will be made.

(3) Option 2: Admission procedure with selection interview:

Applicants must upload the following documents to the ANV Management Portal within the specified deadline and in accordance with the [upload requirements](#) in order for their online application to be valid (Section 6):

- Transcript of Records (previous academic achievements, official document from the educational institution),
- Letter of motivation,
- Exposé or abstract of any bachelor's or scientific work, or other relevant written work,
- Curriculum vitae

All documents that are not in German or English must be translated in accordance with legal requirements in order to be valid; otherwise, they will not be considered. This means that participation in the admission procedure is excluded. No requests for corrections will be made.

If the documents are not uploaded to the ANV Management Portal within the specified period and in compliance with the [upload requirements](#), the online application (§ 6) is invalid. Participation in the admission procedure is therefore excluded. Registration according to option 1 is also no longer possible for the respective academic year. Uploads or subsequent submissions outside the specified period will not be considered. No requests for corrections will be made.

If the documents are uploaded within the specified deadline and in compliance with the [upload requirements](#), study places will be allocated as part of the admission procedure (QMM-MSc) based on the evaluation of the following criteria (Section 8 (1), Option 2):

- Transcript of Records (previous academic achievements, official document from the educational institution) and
- selection interview taking into account the other documents submitted

The selection interview will take place exclusively in person in Innsbruck. Alternative dates in case of absence or a different examination method (hybrid) will not be granted. Any special provisions (§ 1 (2)) will be published in a separate decision by the Rectorate, if applicable. Applicants are obliged to regularly and independently inform themselves about the current regulations on the website of the Medical University of Innsbruck (https://www.i-med.ac.at/studium/zulassung/aufnahme_zulassung_msc.html.en). If an applicant cancels the selection interview or does not appear for the selection interview, they will be excluded from the admission procedure (§ 12 (3)).

Information on the admission procedure

§ 9. (1) Applicants who have validly registered for the admission procedure (§ 6 (4)) will be invited to a selection interview (§ 8 (1), variant 2) via their ANV Management Portal, unless they have already received an offer of a place via their ANV Management Portal (§ 8 (1), variant 1). (selection interview date). No alternative dates are provided in the event that applicants are unable to attend.

A general overview of the available selection interview dates is available on the website of the Medical University of Innsbruck (https://www.i-med.ac.at/studium/zulassung/aufnahme_zulassung_msc.html.en).

(2) Applicants with a disability in accordance with § 3 BGStG who have duly registered for the admission procedure, paid the cost contribution in full and on time (§ 7) and uploaded the documents correctly and in full on time (§ 8) have the right to request a different examination method in the admission procedure for option 2 (§ 8 (1)), if the applicant can prove that they have a disability that makes it impossible for them to take an examination as part of the admission or selection procedure using the prescribed method. However, the educational objective of the chosen course of study must remain achievable.

The alternative examination method may only be approved in a manner that does not disadvantage the other applicants participating in the admission or selection procedure. A disability within the meaning of Section 3 of the BGStG is the effect of a physical, mental or psychological impairment or impairment of sensory functions that is not merely temporary and is likely to make participation in society more difficult. A period of more than six months is considered to be more than temporary.

The application for a different examination method due to this disability, including proof in the form of a medical certificate or report, must be uploaded to the ANV Management Portal within the deadline published on the website of the Medical University of Innsbruck (<https://www.i-med.ac.at/studium/anv-barrierefrei.html.en>). The application and proof must clearly indicate the disability and the necessary alternative examination method. Applicants who have submitted an application and provided proof of disability by the deadline will be informed via electronic message via the ANV Management Portal after the application deadline and up to one week before the selection interview date as to whether and in what way they will be granted a different examination method and, if necessary, appropriate support measures. Further information will be published on the website of the Medical University of Innsbruck (<https://www.i-med.ac.at/studium/anv-barrierefrei.html.en>). Applicants are obliged to check their ANV Management Portal regularly for electronic messages from the Medical University of Innsbruck. Appeals and legal remedies against the decision made are not permitted. Late applications are only permitted in justified exceptional cases. Requests for improvement are not to be made.

Admission procedure

§ 10. Study places (§ 4) for the Master's programme in Molecular Medicine are allocated on the basis of the QMM-MSc admission procedure (§ 5 ff).

§ 11. The admission procedure is not an examination within the meaning of §§ 72 ff UG. Therefore, the provisions of §§ 72 to 79 UG do not apply.

Determination of results, ranking list and allocation of study places in the admission procedure pursuant to § 8 (1), variant 2

§ 12. (1) All applicants must upload the documents specified in § 8 (1), variant 1 or variant 2 electronically to the ANV Management Portal within the specified period, in accordance with the [upload requirements](#).

There is a selection committee appointed by the Vice-Rector for Teaching and Academic Affairs, which

- first step, the evaluation of the submitted documents (transcripts of records) and, in a
- second step, conducts the selection interview, taking into account the other documents submitted.

First step: The Vice-Rector for Teaching and Academic Affairs decides, taking into account the number of applicants exempted from the admission procedure in accordance with § 8 (1), variant 1, on the basis of the documents submitted and evaluated by the selection committee.

- transcript of records

and on the basis of a resulting proposal by the selection committee, which applicants will not be invited to a selection interview. Once the Vice-Rector for Teaching and Academic Affairs has made a decision, the applicants to be invited to the selection interview will receive the interview date on their ANV Management Portal. If the applicant does not appear for the interview, they will be automatically excluded from the admission procedure. Requests for improvement are not to be made.

(2) **Second step:** The ranking decisive for the final ranking list (§ 14 (4)) is determined by the selection committee on the basis of the evaluation of the criteria

- selection interview, taking into account the other documents submitted
 - letter of motivation,
 - exposé or abstract of any bachelor's or scientific theses or other relevant written work,
 - Curriculum vitae.determined.

(3) If an applicant cancels the appointment for the selection interview, fails to appear for the selection interview or fails to confirm the appointment for the selection interview in good time, they will be excluded from the admission procedure.

External events or occurrences beyond the applicant's control

§ 13. (1) Applicants are obliged to inform themselves independently and on their own responsibility about all necessary protective regulations and hygiene measures for participation in the selection procedure and all further procedural steps that require personal attendance, if applicable (§ 1 (2)).

(2) Applicants who, despite warnings, fail to comply with the necessary protective regulations and hygiene measures of the Medical University of Innsbruck for the admission procedure in accordance with Section 8 (1),

Variant 2, for the academic year in question, will be denied access to the test rooms or premises of the university. If the violation takes place in the test rooms, they will be excluded from the admission procedure, banned from the premises and immediately expelled from the premises. In this case, the selection interview will not be evaluated and the applicant will be excluded from the admission procedure.

(3) Applicants are obliged to keep themselves informed on a daily basis about the protective regulations and hygiene measures (§ 1 (2)) specified by the Rectorate of the Medical University of Innsbruck on the website of the Medical University of Innsbruck.

V. Admission

§ 14. (1) Only those applicants who, on the basis of § 4 in conjunction with § 8 (1), variant 2, and the ranking list (§ 12 (2)) or on the basis of § 4 in conjunction with § 8 (1), variant 1, and who meet the requirements of §§ 63 ff and 91 UG. If fewer applicants register online in accordance with § 6 than there are places available in accordance with § 4, no admission procedure will be carried out and every applicant will be offered a place, provided that the legal requirements are met.

(2) Admission to the Master's programme in Molecular Medicine requires the successful completion of the Bachelor's programme in Molecular Medicine at the Medical University of Innsbruck or a Bachelor's, Diploma or Master's programme related to Molecular Medicine at a recognised domestic or foreign post-secondary educational institution, and the fact that the applicant has obtained a place in the final ranking list pursuant to § 4 in conjunction with §§ 8 (1), variant 2 and 12 (2) or on the basis of § 4 in conjunction with § 8 (1), variant 1, for the relevant academic year and that they meet the requirements of §§ 63 ff and 91 UG.

(3) Furthermore, as a prerequisite for admission to the programme, applicants must provide evidence (§ 8 (1), variant 2) that they have obtained at least the ECTS credits listed below in studies pursuant to paragraph 2:

- Inorganic Chemistry 1
- Organic Chemistry 2
- Biochemistry 4
- Mathematics 1
- Statistics 2
- Molecular Biology 3
- Cell Biology 3
- Immunology 1
- Virology 1
- Bioinformatics 3
- Genetics/Genomics 3

If this proof is not complete but can be provided to the extent that the missing ECTS credits do not exceed 15, upon application by the applicant, conditional, temporary admission may be granted for a maximum of one academic year, during which the missing ECTS credits must be made up in courses of the Bachelor's programme in Molecular Medicine at the Medical University of Innsbruck, as prescribed by the academic authority. If the missing ECTS credits cannot be obtained and verified in a timely manner through the fault of the applicant, admission to the programme shall expire.

(4) Applicants who have received an offer of a place at university (Section 4) in accordance with Sections 3(4) and 8(1), variant 1, or in accordance with the final ranking list (Sections 8(1), variant 2, and 12(2)) must enrol for the course within a period specified during the admission procedure.

(5) The admission of applicants who have not received an offer for a study place (§ 4) in accordance with §§ 3 Z 4 and 8 (1), variant 1, or who have not achieved this on the basis of the final ranking list in accordance with §§ 8 (1), variant 2, and 12 (2), is not permitted, notwithstanding § 16 (substitution).

(6) Applicants are expressly reminded of their obligation under § 6 to check their ANV Management Portal regularly – at least daily during the period of study place allocation – for the receipt of electronic messages from the Medical University of Innsbruck, or to have it checked.

Expiration of the study place

Section 15. Applicants who have been offered a place at university (Section 4) in accordance with Sections 3(4) and 8(1), Variant 1, or on the basis of the final ranking list in accordance with Sections 8(1), Variant 2,

and 12(2), must enrol for their course within the period specified in the notification. If they are unable to enrol in person, they must declare their acceptance of the place in writing within the deadline set for them, either themselves or through an authorised representative, and arrange a special date for admission. If the place of study is not accepted by enrolment (admission) within the specified period, the place of study will be forfeited.

Succession

§ 16. A place that becomes available due to forfeiture (§ 15), failure to meet admission requirements (§ 14) or express written withdrawal shall be awarded to the next applicant in the ranking list (§ 12 (2) who has not yet been awarded a place (succession).

(2) In the event of a tie for the last place, the place shall be allocated by drawing lots.

(3) Applicants who have been allocated a place in accordance with Section 16(1) must enrol for their course within the period specified in the notification of succession. If they are unable to enrol in person, they must declare their acceptance of the place in writing within the deadline set for them, either themselves or through an authorised representative, and arrange a special date for enrolment (admission).

If the place is not accepted by enrolment (admission) within the specified period, the offer of a place expires.

(4) Applicants are expressly reminded of their obligation under § 6 to check their ANV Management Portal regularly – at least daily during the period of study place allocation – for electronic messages from the Medical University of Innsbruck, or to have it checked.

VI. Career changers

Section 17. (1) Applicants who have already earned at least 60 ECTS credits as part of a degree programme in medicine, molecular medicine or a comparable degree programme at a recognised domestic or equivalent foreign post-secondary educational institution and who wish to continue their Master's degree programme in molecular medicine at the Medical University of Innsbruck may be admitted to the programme upon application, notwithstanding §§ 5 ff, if they meet the requirements for the third or higher semester and the other admission requirements and if, in accordance with the curriculum, there are free places available in the courses with limited enrolment.

(2) The allocation of study places for career changers shall be regulated by a regulation of the Rectorate if, in accordance with the curriculum, there are free places available in courses with limited capacity.

VII. Repeated participation in the admission procedure

§ 18. Applicants who are not admitted to study in a semester may participate in the admission procedure again for the following academic year. Applicants who are not admitted to study in an academic year may participate in the admission procedure again an unlimited number of times.

VIII. Responsibility, entry into force

§ 19. The Rectorate of the Medical University of Innsbruck is responsible for conducting the admission procedure.

§ 20. This regulation shall enter into force on the date of its publication in the bulletin of the Medical University of Innsbruck. All previous regulations on admission restrictions for the Master's programme in Molecular Medicine at the Medical University of Innsbruck shall cease to be valid at the same time.

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