

Under Section 36 paragraph 2 of Act No. 111/1998 Coll. on Higher Education Institutions and on Amendments of and Supplements to Other Acts (the Higher Education Act), the Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports registered the amendments to the Study and Examination Rules for Students of the University of Chemistry and Technology in Prague under ref. code MSMT - 19033/2020-1 on April 30, 2020.

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**AMENDMENTS
TO THE STUDY AND EXAMINATION RULES
OF THE UNIVERSITY OF CHEMISTRY AND TECHNOLOGY, PRAGUE**

Article 1

- (1) The regulation is amended in connection with the extraordinary measure of the Ministry of Health of the Czech Republic ref. no. MZDR 10676/2020-1/MIN/KAN, which has prohibited in-person presence of students at universities with effect from 11 March 2020 in order to protect against the occurrence and spread of the COVID-19 disease. The amendments in particular concern provisions regulating state final exams.

Article 2

- (1) In Article 22, paragraph 3 (a), the following text is added at the end: “further, head of department can allow teachers to announce examination dates also outside the set examination period,”
- (2) In Article 28, paragraph 1, the following text is inserted after the first sentence: “State final exam can be taken remotely during the period when a measure under a different Act is in place. In such case, an audio or audio-visual recording of the exam will be made and archived for the period of 5 years. The recording can be made available only to a state administration body in the exercise of its power and following the body’s request.”
- (3) In Article 29, paragraph 2 is amended and now reads as follows: “The state final exam takes place at the end of the last semester of study on the date defined by the Dean. The oral part may be taken by a student who has fulfilled all study obligations defined by the guarantor of the study programme. A student who delivered the bachelor thesis before the respective deadline and the opinion of the supervisor contains recommendation for the bachelor thesis to be defended can defend their bachelor thesis.”
- (4) In Article 29, paragraph 3, the following text is added at the end: “outside dates of the state final exam recommended by the university.”
- (5) In Article 29, paragraph 4, the third sentence is amended and now reads as follows: “The state final exam requires the physical or online presence of majority of members of the examination board. At all time during the exam, the chairperson or vice-chairperson of the board must be present either physically or online.”

- (6) In Article 29, paragraph 5, the following text is inserted after the first sentence: “In justified cases, the Dean can decide that the oral part of the state final exam and the defence of the bachelor thesis can take place on two separate dates.”
- (7) In Article 29, a new paragraph 11 is inserted which reads as follows: “(11) In case of a state final exam where one of the members or the student are present online, an audio or audio-visual recording shall be taken of the defence and the extended debate.”
- (8) In Article 31, paragraph 2 is amended and now reads as follows: “The state final exam takes place in the last semester of study on the date defined by the Dean. The oral part may be taken by a student who has fulfilled all study obligations defined by the guarantor of the study programme. A student who delivered the diploma thesis before the respective deadline and the opinion of the supervisor contains recommendation for the diploma thesis to be defended can defend their diploma thesis.”
- (9) In Article 31, paragraph 3, the following text is added at the end: “outside dates of the state final exam recommended by the university.”
- (10) In Article 31, paragraph 4, the third sentence is amended and now reads as follows: “The state final exam requires the physical or online presence of majority of members of the examination board. At all time during the exam, the chairperson or vice-chairperson of the board must be present either physically or online.”
- (11) In Article 31, paragraph 5, the following text is inserted after the first sentence: “In justified cases, the Dean can decide that the oral part of the state final exam and the defence of the diploma thesis can take place on two separate dates.”
- (12) In Article 31, a new paragraph 11 is inserted which reads as follows: “(11) In case of a state final exam where one of the members or the student are present online, an audio or audio-visual recording shall be taken of the defence and the extended debate.”
- (13) In Article 38, paragraph 3, the second sentence is amended and now reads as follows: “Both parts of state doctoral exam are taken before an examination board, which has at least 4 members of which at least two thirds must be present physically or online for the exam to be valid.”
- (14) In Article 38, a new paragraph 11 is inserted which reads as follows: “(11) In case of a state doctoral exam where some of the members or the student are present online, an audio or audio-visual recording shall be taken.”
- (15) In Article 40, paragraph 13, the third sentence is amended and now reads as follows: “The board may act if at least two thirds of the board members are present physically or online and at least one of them is the reviewer.”
- (16) In Article 40, a new paragraph 22 is inserted which reads as follows: “(22) In case of the defence of the dissertation thesis and the final part of the state doctoral exam where some of the members or the student are present online, an audio or audio-visual recording shall be taken of the defence and the extended debate.”

Article 3

- (1) These Amendments to the Study and Examination Rules of the University of Chemistry and Technology in Prague were approved under Section 9, paragraph 1 (b) of Act No. 111/1998 Coll., on Higher Education Institutions and on Amendments of and Supplements to Other Acts (the Higher Education Act), as amended, by the Academic Senate of the University of Chemistry and Technology in Prague on April 28, 2020.
- (2) These Amendments to the Study and Examination Rules of the University of Chemistry and Technology in Prague become valid under Section 36, paragraph 4 of the Higher Education Act on the day of registration by the Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports.
- (3) The Amendments are valid in the 2019/20 academic year.
- (4) These Amendments come to force and effect on the day of registration by the Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports.
- (5) These Amendments are cancelled on the first day of the 2020/21 academic year.

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