Master's thesis evaluation criteria at LAB University of Applied Sciences (17.8.2022)

Object of assessment	Excellent 5	Very good 4	Good 3	Satisfactory 2	Passable 1	Fail 0
Topic selection and objectives	 The student can select a current, innovative and demanding topic in the field justify and define the topic logically and clearly, based on up-to- date information, research or development needs in the field reflect on the topic in depth and from many angles relating to the field critically set clear and logical goals. 	 The student can select a current and significant topic in the field justify and define the topic logically and clearly, taking into account existing research data or development needs in the field reflect on the topic in depth and from many angles relating to the field set clear and logical goals. 	 The student can select a topic that suits the field well justify and define the topic logically and clearly position the topic in relation to the specific field set clear goals. 	 The student can select a topic related to the field justify and define the topic to some extent set suitable goals for the topic. 	 The student can select a topic related to the field define the topic to some extent describe the objectives. 	The student has not attained the skills and goals of a passing grade.

Knowledge base and use of sources	The student can prepare a versatile, extensive and topical knowledge 	The student can prepare a versatile and topical knowledge base for the 	The student can - prepare an appropriate knowledge base for the thesis,	The student can prepare a knowledge base for the thesis 	The student can - prepare a knowledge base for the thesis	The student has not attained the skills and goals of a passing grade.
	 base in relation to the thesis topic, objectives and methods, demonstrating expert knowledge of the topic critically and analytically apply and combine diverse information sources 	 thesis, demonstrating knowledge of the topic critically and analytically combine diverse information sources systematically seek, use and apply relevant national and international 	 demonstrating knowledge of the topic combine diverse information sources seek, use and apply relevant national and international research and other expert information sources 	 search for, use and combine relevant information sources use concepts that are essential for the topic. 	 search for and use information sources use concepts related to the topic. 	
	- systematically seek, use and apply relevant national and international research, the most recent research data and other expert information sources in a	research, the most recent research data and other expert information sources - - use and combine concepts consistently, presenting the	- use concepts consistently, presenting interconnections between concepts.			

	critical and diverse way - use and combine concepts comprehensively and consistently, presenting the interconnections between concepts clearly and with justifications.	interconnections between concepts clearly and with justifications.				
Implementa- tion and methods	 The student can use an approach and/ a research/develop ment method suitable for the thesis objective and critically justify the choices based on literature or other information sources in the field assess the applicability of the chosen method 	 The student can apply an approach and/or a research/develop ment method suitable for the thesis objective and justify the choices based on literature or other information sources in the field assess the applicability of the chosen method 	 The student can use the chosen approach and/or research/develop ment method and justify the choices assess the applicability of the chosen method collect or produce material suitable for the thesis objective complete the thesis work 	 The student can describe the chosen approach and/or research/develop ment method collect or produce the material complete the thesis work according to the plan analyse the material 	 The student can describe the chosen method collect or produce material complete thesis work analyse the material to some extent. 	The student has not attained the skills and goals of a passing grade.

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	clearly and with	clearly and with	according to the	 identify reliability 		
	justifications	justifications	plan and	factors.		
			independently			
	- justifiably collect	 justifiably collect 				
	or produce	or produce	- analyse the			
	comprehensive	comprehensive	material with			
	material in	material in	justifications			
	relation to the	relation to the				
	thesis objective	thesis objective	- assess the			
			reliability of the			
	- complete the	- complete the	material, analysis			
	thesis work	thesis work	and results.			
	according to the	according to the				
	plan,	plan,				
	independently,	independently				
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Results,	The student can	The student can	The student can	The student can	The student can	The student has
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presentation	- present the	- present the	- present the	- present the	- present results	the skills and
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	conclusions in a	conclusions in a	conclusions with	conclusions		of a passing
	justified, clear	justified and	justifications		- propose further	grade.
	and illustrative	illustrative	based on working	- combine results	actions.	grade.
	manner	manner	life phenomena	from the thesis		
			and the material	work with		
	- assess the	- assess the		objectives		
	results and	results and	- combine the			
	conclusions	conclusions	results and	- propose further		
	critically and	justifiably in	conclusions with	actions.		
	justifiably in	relation to the	the thesis			
	relation to the	objectives and	objectives			
	objectives and	theory base of	-			
	theory base of	the thesis work	- propose			
	the thesis work,		development			
	as well as assess	- present proposals	and/or further			
	the connections	for development	research.			
	between the	and/or further				
	results and the	research that				
	development and	benefit the sector.				
	innovation					
	activities in					
	working life					
	- present justified					
	proposals for					
	development and					
	further research					
	that benefit the					
	sector.					

Expertise and thesis process	The student can	The student can	The student can	The student can	The student can	The student has not attained
	 assess the thesis process critically, profoundly, justifiably and diversely systematically and justifiably take ethical aspects into account in the various stages of the thesis process work in a goal- oriented, systematic, determined and independent manner act smoothly and constructively with those participating in the thesis process and communicate the progress of the 	 assess the thesis process justifiably and diversely justifiably take ethical aspects into account in the various stages of the thesis process work in a goal- oriented, systematic and independent manner act smoothly and constructively with those participating in the thesis process and communicate the progress of the thesis process. 	 assess the thesis process justifiably take ethical aspects into account in the various stages of the thesis process work in a goal- oriented and independent manner act smoothly with those participating in the thesis process. 	 assess the thesis process take into account ethical aspects related to the thesis process work towards goals under guidance act with those participating in the thesis process in an appropriate manner. 	 express their views on the thesis process identifies ethical aspects related to the thesis process work under guidance act with those participating in the thesis process. 	the skills and goals of a passing grade.

	thesis process clearly.					
Reporting and language	The student can	The student can	The student can	The student can	The student can	The student has not attained
	 write a thesis report with a consistent and balanced structure 	 write a thesis report with a consistent structure 	 write a thesis report with a mostly consistent structure 	 write a thesis report with a structure that has consistent elements 	 write a thesis report but the structure is imperfect or not logical 	the skills and goals of a passing grade.
	- write very fluent, cohesive, and factual-style text	- write fluent, cohesive, and factual-style text	- mostly write fluent, cohesive, and factual-style text	- write factual-style text but the style may be faltering and cohesion elements may be	- write text but the style is faltering and there are plentiful linguistic errors	
	- write accurate text with almost no linguistic errors	 write text mostly without linguistic errors 	 mostly write linguistically good text 	lacking - write text that conveys the	 write text that conveys the message despite 	
	- indicate sources and references	- indicate sources and references with almost no	 indicate sources and references with almost no 	message despite the errors	the plentiful errors	
	without errors and refer to sources diversely using both the author- and subject-oriented styles	errors and refer to sources quite diversely using both the author- and subject- oriented styles	errors	 indicate sources and references, but there are some shortcomings in them 	 indicate sources and references, but there are shortcomings in them 	
	- elucidate the report visually: if	elucidate the report visually: if the report	 elucidate the report visually: if the report 	elucidate the report visually: if the report	elucidate the report visually: if the report	

the report contains images, figures or tables, they are appropriate and finalised, also referred to and elaborated on in	contains images, figures or tables, they are appropriate and clear, also referred to and elaborated on in the text.	contains images, figures or tables, they are appropriate, clear and referred to in the text.	contains images, figures or tables, they are appropriate and mostly referred to in the text. The captions are mostly logical.	contains images, figures or tables, they remain disconnected. The captions are not logical.	
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