

## Bachelor's Degree Programme Frequently Asked Questions about Assessments

### Questions about modules/module groups

#### 1. What is a module group?

A module group is a combination of several modules. The module group grade is calculated based on the grades achieved in the individual modules.

#### Example: Year 1, Environmental Engineering

Together, the Chemistry and Climatology (CM), Data and Information 1 (CM) and Climate Change (CM) modules form the Environmental Systems 1 module group.

The Food Systems (CM) and Systems and Models 1 (CM) modules form the Environmental Systems 2 module group.

Modulgruppen	Modulbezeichnung (Hauptmodul HM & Typ)	Modulverantwortliche	Modulkürzel	ECTS-Credits	Plansemester	Kursbezeichnung (Submodul SM & Typ)	Workload (Std.)	Gew. im Modul (%)	Kursverantwortliche	Dozierende / ReferentInnen / Mitarbeiter	Kurskürzel	Leistungsnachweis während des Semesters (Note mit Gew. oder Prädikat)	Schriftliche Modulprüfung (Min. / %)	Mündliche Modulprüfung (Min. / %)
Umweltsysteme 1	Chemie und Klimatologie (PM)	Hertig Tal	n.BA.UI.ChKI.24HS	5	1	Chemie und Klimatologie (PK)	150	100	Hertig Tal	Hertig Tal, Frech Nabold Christian, Rohrer Jürg, weitere	n.BA.UI.ChKI.24HS.V		<b>Schrittweise Modulprüfung:</b> Chemie: 60 (50%) Klimatologie: 60 (50%)	
	Daten und Information 1 (PM)	Bajka Daniel	n.BA.UI.Daln1.24HS	3	1	Daten und Information 1 (PK)	90	100	Bajka Daniel	Bajka Daniel, Spinner Georg	n.BA.UI.Daln1.24HS.V	Note (40%)	45 (60%) e-assessment	
	Klimawandel (PM)	Hutter Monika	n.BA.UI.Klwa.24HS	7	1	Klimawandel (PK)	210	100	Hutter Monika	Hutter Monika, Kaufmann Tetiana, Ruckstuhl Caroline, Küng Stephan, weitere	n.BA.UI.Klwa.24HS.V	Note (60%)	<b>Mündliche Modulprüfung (40%):</b> 7 Gruppen - pro Gruppe 180 Minuten	
Umweltsysteme 2	Ernährungssysteme (PM)	Veith Claudia	n.BA.UI.Ersy.24HS	7	1	Ernährungssysteme (PK)	210	100	Veith Claudia	Veith Claudia, Göpfert Rebecca, Jaisli Isabel, Boos Jürg, Jenny Annette, Grüter Roman, Lazzarini Gianna, Stutz Enich, Ruckstuhl Caroline, Müller Urs, Küng Stephan, Goetz Thomas, Bajka Daniel, weitere	n.BA.UI.Ersy.24HS.V	Note (50%)	60 (50%) e-assessment	
	Systeme und Modelle 1 (PM)	Stössel Franziska	n.BA.UI.SyMo1.24HS	3	1	Systeme und Modelle 1 (PK)	90	100	Stössel Franziska	Stössel Franziska, Itten René, Hunziker Manuel, Trachsel Sonja, Aubert Alice, Müller Urs, Jenny Annette, Hagenbuch Reto, weitere	n.BA.UI.SyMo1.24HS.V		60 (100%) e-assessment	

## 2. How is the grade for the module group calculated?

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	Klimawandel (PM)	Hutter Monika	n.BA.UI.Kiwa.24HS	7	1	Klimawandel (PK)	210	100	Hutter Monika	Hutter Monika, Kaufmann Tetiana, Ruckstuhl Caroline, Küng Stephan, weitere	n.BA.UI.Kiwa.24HS.V	Note (60%)	<b>Mündliche Modulprüfung (40%):</b> 7 Gruppen - pro Gruppe 180 Minuten	
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Chemistry and Climatology module: The grade of 4.25 is weighted based on the number of credits ( $4.25 \times 5 = 21.25$ )

Data and Information 1 module: The grade of 4.55 is weighted based on the number of credits ( $4.15 \times 3 = 12.45$ )

Climate change module: The grade of 5.00 is weighted based on the number of credits ( $5.0 \times 7 = 35.00$ )

The module group has a total of 15 credits - so total is divided by 15 = 4.58.

The module group grade is rounded to two decimal places.

## 3. Where can you find the necessary information about the module/module group (ECTS, weighting) to calculate the final grade?

Information can be found in the module and course description:

<https://www.zhaw.ch/de/lfsfm/studium/studiweb/studium-a-z/>

(Menu: Studies; Studi Web; Studies A-Z; Modulbeschreibungen Bachelor XY)

## 4. What is required to pass a module?

- a minimum module grade of 4.00
- completion of all pass/fail activities

## 5. What is required to pass a module group?

A module group is considered passed if the final grade is at least 4.00. However, it is not necessary to pass each individual module within the group.



**6. How do students know if a module group has been passed?**

If no certificate has been issued, students need to calculate the module group grade themselves based on the individual module grades, which can be found in EventoWeb.



## Questions about certificates/appeals

### 7. When are certificates issued?

Certificates are only issued two times: once after the first year of study and then again upon graduation. Students can also create a data transcript in EventoWeb (but not during the examination periods).

### 8. What should you do if you disagree with a grade and want to file an appeal?

An appeal can only be made against an issued certificate and must a description of the legal basis for the appeal must be provided. This can be done at the end of the first or last year of study, once the data transcript has been downloaded following the grading conference. Further information on legal remedies can be found on the certificate or the data transcript.

## Questions about exam/module repetitions

### 9. What options are available for repeating a failed examination or module?

Students must choose one of the following options:

- a) **Examination repetition** The end of module examinations can be repeated in the next regular examination period (Repetitionsprüfungen). Any grades from assessments completed during the semester, including pass/fail activities and any failing grades, are carried over to calculate the final grade.
- b) **Module repetition:** All modules and their grades (all assessments during the semester and pass/fail activities) are repeated when the module is next scheduled to run (i.e. the module is attended again a year later with the next year's cohort).

It is not possible to repeat an examination or a module until all the modules of the module group have been completed. If the module group has been passed, a failed module does not have to be repeated.

### 10. If one or more exams could not be taken due to illness, what should you do and when can the missed exams be made up?

A medical certificate must be submitted to the academic office within 7 days for any missed examination(s). The missed examinations must be completed during the next examination period (make-up examination) and are regarded as the student's first attempt.



Modules where the assessment only occurs during the semester can only be completed when the module is next offered (spring semester modules in the following spring semester and autumn semester modules in the following autumn semester).

**11. Can a passed module be voluntarily repeated in order to achieve a better grade?**

No.

**12. How many times can you repeat a failed exam or module?**

Examinations and modules can only be repeated once. In the event of two failures, the student will be excluded from the degree programme.

**13. What do you need to repeat if you fail a module group?**

Only the failed exams/modules have to be repeated, not the entire module group.

**14. If you fail a module in a module group, but pass the module group with a grade of 4.00, what do you need to repeat?**

Nothing. Since the module group has been passed, the failed module is also considered to have been passed despite the failing grade.

**Questions about the registration procedure for examination or module repetitions and make-up exams**

**15. How do I register to repeat a failed examination, module or module group? How do I register for a make-up exam due to illness?**

The academic office will send the [registration form](#) for the examination/module repetitions and make-up exams by e-mail after the grading conference, as per the [key dates for the academic year](#). The terms "examination/module repetitions and make-up exams" are explained on the registration form. If no registration form is submitted, students will automatically be registered for a module repetition. Please note, automatic registrations are binding.

**16. If several modules must be repeated due to unsatisfactory grades, is it possible to unsubscribe from modules in the current semester in order to reduce the workload?**

Yes, it is possible to unsubscribe from modules in the current semester if you have multiple examination or module repetitions in that semester. The registration form for examination/module repetitions and make-up exams also provides information about how to unsubscribe.