





# Studying at Freie Universität Berlin

**Mathematics - Master of Science** 



#### **Mathematics Master's Program**

- Standard Period of Study: 4 semesters (= 2 years)
  - Winter term: October–March lectures: 14 October 15 February
  - Summer term: April September lectures: 14 April 18 July
- complete 120 LP (credit points) to obtain master's degree
  - about 30 credit points per semester
- Final Grade: 1/3 Master's Thesis and 2/3 exams and seminar grades



## What are LP (ECTS)?

#### ■ 1 LP ≈ 30 hours of work

- preparation
- attendance
- exercises
- earn LP by successfully completing modules

#### Module example:

- ✓ Lecture: exam
- ✓ Tutorials: regular and active participation
  - a total of 50% of the points on weekly exercise sheets



### What are LP (ECTS)?

- about 30 LP per semester
- For a course/module with two lectures a week, you usually get 10 LP
- most courses are structured like this

=> choose about 3 modules per semester



#### The courses are taught in...

# English



#### Which modules can I take?

Current Offer: Course Catalog (<u>www.fu-berlin.de/vv/en/fb</u>)

General Offer: Study and Examination Regulations (www.mi.fu-berlin.de/en/math/stud/mathemaster/index.html)

#### Which modules do I have to take?

Study and Examination Regulations

#### **Structure of the Master's Program**



Basic Modules		Intermediate and Advanced Modules	Supplemental Modules				
5* 10 LP = 50 LP		5 + 5 = 10 LP	30 LP				
Algebra I	Algebra II	Aufbaumodul:	Ausgewählte Themen A, B, C				
Differential Geometry I	Differential Geometry II	Part III	(10 LP) Speziellle Aspekte A, B, C (5 LP)				
Discrete Geometry I	Discrete Geometry II						
Discrete Mathematics I	Discrete Mathematics II		Aktuelle Forschungsthemen A, B, C (5 LP)				
Dynamical Systems I	Dynamical Systems II		Spezielle Forschungsaspekte				
Numerics II	Numerics III	Vertiefungsmodul: Seminar	(5 LP)				
Partial Differential Equations I	Partial Differential Equations II	Seminar					
Stochastics II	Stochastics III		Forschungsprojekt (10 LP)				
Topology I	Topology II						
	Number Theory II						
Master's Thesis							
30 LP							



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- first modules with lower number (an advice not a law): take Algebra I before you take Algebra II
- for some modules prior knowledge requirements are listed in course description
- complete 60 LP before you start your master's thesis
- in order to take an advanced module, you need to have completed corresponding basic and intermediate modules
  - Algebra I/II + Algebra III => Masterseminar Algebra



#### For your first semester (summer term 2020):

- Basic modules Part I you could take:
  - Stochastic Processes II
  - Discrete Mathematics I
  - Dynamic Systems I
  - depending on your prior knowledge, you can also take intermediate and supplemental classes
  - it is possible to take classes (Nebenhörerschaft) at TU Berlin and HU Berlin

#### **Example: Study Plan**



Basic Modules			Intermediate + Advanced Modules		Supple- mental Modules	LP
Algebra I 10 LP	Discrete Geometry I 10 LP	Numerics II 10 LP				30
Stochastics II 10 LP	Discrete Geometry II 10 LP				10 LP In modules of your choice	30
			Discrete Geometry III 5 LP	Master- seminar Discrete Geometry 5 LP	20 LP in modules of your choice	30
Master's Thesis (in Discrete Geometry) 30 LP						30



#### Exams

- first exam at the end of lecture time – mid-/end- February
- second exam before beginning of the new semester
  Beginning of March
- If you decide to take the first and second exam, the better grade counts.
- a total of 4 attempts
- no special registration for the exam required (not attending does not count as attempt)
- Grading System:

1,0 1,3 1,7 2,0 2,3 2,7 3,0 3,3 3,7 4,0 **5**,0





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#### Due to the corona virus, the Free University of Berlin will offer a digital summer semester. Updates can be found here (<u>https://www.fu-</u> <u>berlin.de/en/sites/coronavirus/index.html</u>).

