

Study planning and credit transfer 15 August 2023

#	Question	Answer
1	Will the meeting be recorded?	No, but we will share the slides.
2	Is the August 28 deadline for course registration only for module/period 1 courses?	Yes, the registration for some of the courses in 1st period ends on 28 August, for some courses it continues until the the end of the 1st week of teaching. You can find registration times for courses taught later this academic year in Sisu.
3	Does the study plan on Sisu only apply to the first year? As I'm trying to add some courses and there's red warning says that the credits are over some limits	The study plan should include all the courses that you plan to include in your Master's degree as a whole. There are some limits to how many courses you can include in the degree so that might be Sisu is warning about selections against the rules. Your programme's planning officer can help you resolve the issue.
4	How can I register for a course if the course cannot be added to the study plan? (e.g. language courses)	You can add any courses to the degree elective studies.
5	I changed my major to Creative Sustainability for my master's and have accepted the study place, but Sisu still thinks that I am continuing into the master program of my bachelor level major. Do I need to do something to update the major? When I tried to make a CS study plan and register to courses, Sisu tells me I have no study right to CS/the course is not included in	It seems that you have enrolled as attending to the old study right. Nowadays, the enrolment needs to be done separately for each study right so the enrolment should be transferred to your CS study right. After you are enrolled to the CS study right, it will show up in Sisu. Please contact Student Services at studentservices@aalto.fi , they will be able to help you in this!
6	Where can I browse the electives to add to my PSP?	If you mean the degree electives, they can be almost any courses. You can find more information in the Student Guide on your programme's page > Curriculum > Curriculum 2022-2024 > Electives.
7	If I am language studies exempt, how is this shown in the PSP?	If you don't have to take any language courses, you don't need to have anything specific in your PSP.
8	Can you do a sample study plan for illustration?	Creating a study plan was demonstrated in the info session. You can find very useful instructions for Master's students at the School of Business in the Student guide > your programme's page > During your studies > Planning your studies > Study plan instructions in Sisu for BIZ Master's students.

9	Which part of the study plan that needs approval and how can we ask the approval for these parts?	Usually, only the elective studies of the degree require separate approval. Ask for approval for modules that say "approval required".
10	Can I select the courses that are put into the degree in the end? In case they exceed 120 ECTS + 1 course	Yes. When you apply for graduation, you do it via a study plan and this study plan should include all the courses you want to include in the degree. Any extra courses should just be left out of this study plan.
11	Hi, I have done my bachelor's outside of Finland. Is it possible to fulfill the mandatory language requirement with a language course I took during my bachelor's? Or is it ticked off automatically since my program is in English? Thank you in advance!	Hi, Let's have a closer look at your specific situation later. The assumption is that you will need to take a language course here but you will be informed about this by email. The language of the Master's degree does not tick off any language requirements since almost all of our Master's programmes are in English.
12	I plan to do more than what is needed in my masters. Like courses from other schools and departments. this is possible right?	Yes, it is possible to complete more courses than is required. When you graduate, you just have to select which ones to include in the degree.
13	I plan to do at least 150 ECTS	The amount of courses that you can take is not limited but you just need to leave the extra ones out of the degree.
14	How's about courses from FITECH that organized by other university? Will that be approved in study plan?	You can include FITECH courses in the elective studies of your degree.
15	Hi, my master's program is in English, and is it possible that I include a German class (e.g. German B1) in my study plan?	Hi, it is possible to include elective language courses to your elective studies.
16	How do we register for the courses that are going to be outside of the study plan? Do we also need approval for those?	Course registration requires that the course is in your study plan. Study plan does not need to be approved for course registration. When you have got the grade from the extra course, you can remove it from your study plan. (It will still remain in the study register.)
17	How to apply for approval for ths study plan?	Applying for approval was demonstrated in the info session. You can find very useful instructions for Master's students at the School of Business in the Student guide > your programme's page > During your studies > Planning your studies > Study plan instructions in Sisu for BIZ Master's students.

18	How do prerequisites for the courses work? Can it be assumed that all the mandatory and other courses that belong to your program will not require prerequisites?	If the course has compulsory pre-requisites, Sisu won't let you register if you haven't completed said course at Aalto. However, usually our courses don't have these type of pre-requisites. The other pre-requisites (not compulsory) are usually more of recommendations and tell you which type of knowledge the participants are expected to have before entering the course.
19	Should we register for all the courses in the study plan all at once or just the ones for the next period (fall 2023)?	You register for courses for one period at a time. The registration period usually opens 28 days before the period starts.
20	What should I do when I realize I no longer want to take the course that I've registered for or even started attending?	If the teaching has already started, you can discontinue the course yourself in Sisu. Please inform the teacher about this.
21	What happens if I don't pass a course?	If you fail a course, you will get a grade 0 from it. Failed courses do not show up in your transcript of records.
22	if the course I registered went to bucket 2.course being processed with message "If the registration ended now, you would be selected", does that mean that the course registration is alright or do I need to check when the course registration period ends?	Courses can have two different registration methods. For some courses, the course registrations are confirmed right away. For others, the registrations are confirmed when the registration period ends. The situation might change, so please check the situation after the registration period has ended.
23	Is it possible for a master's student to do a bachelor-level minor? Could it still be included in the program as electives?	Yes, this is possible.
24	Is there a limitation on the number of courses that you want to apply as substitutions?	Half of the studies in a degree, i.e. 60 cr, needs to be completed at Aalto. Otherwise, there aren't any limits.
25	Is there a maximum limit for adding internship credits to elective studies?	Yes, the maximum is 6 cr.
26	did I get it right: I first add the Exchange studies "block" worth of 24 ECTS to my study plan. Then, when I complete the exchange, I should do the credit substitution. Is it so?	Yes, first add a study draft of 24 cr under International Minor on your study plan. After the exchange, apply for inclusion via the study draft.