

# Application for admittance to the Master Examination M. A. Visual and Media Anthropology

according to RStPO-MA, §§ 19-22

Last update: April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2022

## Student

Last Name: ..... First Name: .....

Registration Nr.: ..... Study Group: .....

## MA-Thesis

The questions of this form follow the structure of final academic papers. If applicable, you can copy relevant paragraphs and literature references from this form into your thesis, when you start working on it.

Please fill out this form at your computer – manually written forms will be rejected. If editable text fields should be too small for your explanations, please hand in a supplementary addendum.

Please submit your completed application to the examination office, which will forward it to the examination board. The board members will conduct a conducive examination as a quality check of the academic suitability of your research question, etc. Your application will be approved, possibly with conditions or recommendations, or it will be rejected with justification and information about what should be changed. You should start working at your thesis only after the approval of the examination board, lest being in danger of wasting time on topics or with methods, which could be dismissed.

The title of your thesis can only be changed within 14 days after getting the approval, and the new title must once again be approved by the examination board. Of course, each deviation of originally planned methods and structures of your thesis must be disclosed and discussed with your mentors (supervisor)!

## General Topics

1. **What** is the common central topic of the theoretical *and* practical part of your thesis?

2. **Why** is this topic relevant?

3. **Language** of the thesis:  English  German  Other:

4. Have you submitted a paper resp. a project on this topic **before**? (as term paper, Bachelor's Thesis, for professional purposes or similar)

## Theoretical Part (written thesis)

<p>5. <b>Title</b> of your written thesis (the theoretical part of the thesis):</p>	
<p>6. What are the reasonable <b>boundaries</b> of the topic?</p>	
<p>7. What is your <b>research question</b>? What are, if applicable, subquestions?</p>	
<p>8. On which <b>literature</b> will your thesis be based on? Usually, all your citations must comply with at least <b>APA6</b>-standard (you'll find an APA-Guide in TraiNex).</p>	
<p>9. If applicable: which <b>hypotheses</b> do you want to verify/falsify?</p>	
<p>10. Which <b>theory or theories</b> will be your academic foundation, and why?</p>	
<p>11. Which <b>methods</b> do you want to use in your written thesis, and why?</p>	

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## Practical Part (film, or other media project)

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12. **Title** of film / project  
(the practical part  
of the thesis):

13. Which **topic** of Visual  
or Media Anthropology  
do you want to focus  
on?

14. What will be the **end  
product** in addition to  
your written thesis  
(e.g. film, immersive video  
or other media project?)

15. Which **methods** and  
tools will you use in  
your **visual media  
process**?  
(in its phases of draft,  
realization, analyses,  
evaluation)

16. Which **ethical** challen-  
ges do you expect and  
how will you handle  
them?

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**First mentor**

(in block letters):

signature

first mentor:

**Main-**

mentor:

**Second mentor**

(in block letters):

signature

second mentor:

In each case, **first** mentor must be a professor – whereas the **main** mentor (your supervisor) can be the first or second mentor, no matter if professor or not: The **main** mentor does the main advisory work and writes the assessment report of the thesis

**Writing time** <sup>1)</sup>

(in weeks):

Date of **exmatriculation** <sup>2)</sup>:

- 1) According to § 19 section 6 point 3 RStPO-MA, the start date of the Master's Thesis is the day of the formal notification of the acceptance of its subject. According to § 20 section 1 RStPO-MA, the thesis should be submitted after 20 weeks, as the regular editing time. Applications for a longer writing period (at most up to an overall period of 28 weeks) are possible, if plausible reasons are given on the backside of this paper or as attachment.
- 2) The earliest day of exmatriculation can be the day when the master thesis is submitted to the examination office. Please take the report time of your thesis of up to eight weeks into consideration.

City, Date

Signature of student

**To be completed by the examination board:**

- approved *without* conditions
- approved *with* conditions
- rejected (justification below or cf. attachment)

City, Date

Signature: Head of the examination board

if applicable, **conditions** or **justification of a non-approval**: