

Regulations of the Ethics Committee for the Master of Science "Exercise Science & Training" at the Faculty of Human Sciences of the Julius-Maximilians-Universität Würzburg

§1 General

The Faculty of Human Sciences at Julius-Maximilians-Universität Würzburg has set up a joint ethics committee for research projects in the master's degree programme in Exercise Science and Training, which is based at the Chair of Integrative and Experimental Training and Exercise Science and the Sports Centre. The need for this ethics committee arises from the many research projects on humans that are carried out as part of the master's degree programme in Exercise Science & Training. The professional ethical principles for sports scientists of the German Association for Sports Science (dvs) and the statutes of the Ethics Committee of the German Society for Psychology (DGPs) apply analogously to this Ethics Committee, unless otherwise specified below. The regulations of the Ethics Committee are supplemented by the rules of procedure, which contain guidelines on procedures, and by the forms "Full application to the Ethics Committee for the Master of Science "Exercise Science & Training" for the assessment of a research project" and "Short application to the Ethics Committee for the Master of Science "Exercise Science & Training" for the assessment of a research project".

§ 2 Task and responsibility

1. The Ethical committee acts on behalf of the Faculty of Human Sciences of the Julius-Maximilians-Universität Würzburg. The chairperson of the committee comments on the applications on behalf of the Faculty of Human Sciences.
2. The committee provides assistance and advice to scientists of the Sports Centre and the Chair of Integrative and Experimental Training and Human Movement Science of the Faculty of Human Sciences of the Julius-Maximilians-Universität Würzburg with regard to ethical and legal aspects of their research on human subjects. The committee becomes active at the request of the scientist. Further details are regulated by the rules of procedure.
3. Cases whose assessment exceeds the existing competences of the Ethics Committee will be rejected. Cases whose assessment requires the specialist (medical) expertise of the Ethics Committee of the Faculty of Medicine are referred to it.

§ 3 Composition

- I. The Ethics Committee should consist of at least six scientists from the Sports Centre and the Chair of Integrative and Experimental Training and Exercise Science at the Faculty of Human Sciences of the Julius Maximilian University of Würzburg. The spectrum of sports science subjects should be represented as comprehensively as possible.

II. The members of the commission are elected by the Faculty Council for three years on the recommendation of the Sports Centre and the Chair of Integrative and Experimental Training and Exercise Science. If one of the members leaves prematurely, a replacement member is elected by the Faculty Council.

III. The chairperson and a deputy chairperson of the Ethics Committee shall be a member of the Sports Centre or the Chair of Integrative and Experimental Training and Human Movement Science of the Faculty of Human Sciences of the Julius-Maximilians-Universität Würzburg. He or she is elected from among the members of the committee.

IV. The Ethics Committee may, if necessary, call-in other experts to assist in the decision-making process.

§ 4 Fundamentals

The Ethics Committee bases its assessment on the professional ethical principles for sports scientists of the German Association for Sports Science (dvs) (<https://www.sportwissenschaft.de/die-dvs/struktur-und-gremien/ethik-rat/berufsethische-grundsätze-für-sportwissenschaftler/innen/>) and the professional ethical guidelines of the Professional Association of German Psychologists and the German Psychological Society (Deutsche Gesellschaft für Psychologie e.V.) (<https://www.dgps.de/die-dgps/aufgaben-und-ziele/berufsethische-richtlinien>).