Dear Students, dear Lecturers,

ensuring the quality of studies and teaching is a key objective of the University of Oldenburg. Our degree programmes are therefore inspected and reviewed on a regular basis. Due to constantly changing requirements the content of the courses needs to be revised and adjusted from time to time, with the result that the examination regulations may change for a student during the course of their studies. Changes to examination regulations are always made in a process in which you as a student participate via your representative bodies (the Study Commission, the Faculty Council and the Senate).

If the examination regulations for a degree course change, the University is obliged to take the protection of legitimate expectation of its students into account, making transitional regulations necessary. The transitional regulations aim to ensure that the alterations to the examination regulations do not prolong the duration of studies.

Examples of transitional regulations:

- “For students who are in their second semester or higher at the time of the entry into force of the new regulations, the regulations that applied up to that point continue to apply. Students can also apply to have the new regulations apply for them, subject to the approval of the Examination Board.”
- “If module aaa000 has not been completed by the end of the summer semester 2018, students in the second semester or higher must complete module bbb111. Failed attempts in module aaa000 will be taken into account.”

If you have any questions on this topic, you can seek advice from the Academic Examinations Office. If you have any doubts about which examination regulations apply, how changes will affect your studies, or whether and which transitional regulations apply, the advisors at the Examinations Office will be happy to answer any questions during the regular consulting hours.

Yours sincerely,
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