

**Bachelor's degree programme:
Intelligent Mechatronic Systems (IMS-B)**

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Bachelor's degree programme in Intelligent Mechatronic Systems (IMS-B)

1 Basics of the programme structure

1.1 Total scope

The total scope of the compulsory and compulsory elective courses required for successful completion of the programme is **127** semester hours per week and leads to the acquisition of **210** ECTS credits.

1.2 Structure of the programme

The compulsory courses required for successful completion of the programme and the associated examinations and preliminary examination requirements are listed in Table 1 and Table 3. The courses are assigned to individual modules, which are awarded ECTS credits.

1.3 Language

All compulsory courses are held in English (§3 (5), SPO AT Bachelor 7sem). Elective courses in the main study programme (modules *Elective 1 to 6* (609370, 609380, 609390, 609400, 609410, 609420)) may also be offered in German.

2 Basic studies

2.1 Subjects of the basic study programme

The courses of the basic study programme are listed in Table 1.

Table 1: Basic studies¹

Semester	Course					Examination		Prerequisite		ECTS
	Module	No	Course title	Type	SWS	Type	Duration	Type	Duration	
1	G1	609010	Mathematics 1			LK	90			
		609011	Mathematics 1	V/Ü	6	Module exam			5	
	G3	609030	Physics			LKBK	90			
		609031	Physics	V/Ü	4	Module exam			5	
	G4	609040	Electrical Engineering and Electronics 1			LK	90			
		609041	Electrical Engineering and Electronics 1	V/Ü	4	Module exam			5	
	G6	609060	Programming 1			LK	90			
		609061	Programming 1	V/L	4	Module exam			5	
	G8	609080	Engineering Mechanics 1			LK	60			
		609081	Engineering Mechanics 1	V/Ü	4	Module exam			5	
	G11	609110	German Language and Academic Skills 1 ¹⁾ —			LP				
		609111	German Language and Academic Skills 1	V/S	4	Module exam			5	
Total 1st semester					26	6		0		30

2	G2	609020	Mathematics 2			LK	120			
		609021	Mathematics 2	V/Ü	4	Module exam			5	
	G5	609050	Electrical Engineering and Electronics 2							
		609051	Electrical Engineering and Electronics 2	V/Ü	2	LK	90		2.5	
		609052	Lab Electrical Engineering	L/S	2			SL	2.5	
	G7	609070	Programming 2			LK	120			
		609071	Programming 2	V/L	4	Module exam			5	
	G9	609090	Engineering Mechanics 2 and 3			PK	12			
		609091	Engineering Mechanics 2	V/Ü	2	Module exam			2.5	
		609092	Engineering Mechanics 3	V/Ü	2	Module exam			2.5	
	G10	609100	Materials			PK	90			
		609101	Materials: Plastics	V/Ü	2	Module exam			2.5	
		609102	Materials: Metals	V/Ü	2	Module exam			2.5	
	G12	609120	German Language and Academic Skills 2 ²⁾ —			LP				
		609121	German Language and Academic Skills 2	V/S	4	Module exam			5	
Total 2nd semester					24	6		1		30

¹ See https://cdn.hs-heilbronn.de/ff7396326d75e064/21b0725bd705/2014-05-04-SPO-AT-Bachelor_ENGLISCH.pdf page 26 for abbreviations

2.2 Module examinations in the basic studies

The module examinations of the basic study programme are listed in Table 2.2:

Table 2: Module examinations for the Bachelor's preliminary examination, Weighting of individual examination results and module grades

Module grades for the basic study programme: Intelligent Mechatronic Systems (IMS)					
Module	No	Module name			Weighting of the module grade for the grade according to § 22
		Examination	No	Prerequisite	
Mathematics and Physics					
G1	60901	Mathematics 1			5
	609011	Mathematics 1			
G2	609020	Mathematics 2			5
	609021	Mathematics 2			
G3	609030	Physics			5
	609031	Physics			
Electrical Engineering					
G4	609040	Electrical Engineering and Electronics 1			5
	609041	Electrical Engineering and Electronics 1			
G5	609050	Electrical Engineering and Electronics 2			5
	609051	Electrical Engineering and Electronics 2			
			609052	Electrical Engineering Laboratory	
Programming					
G6	609060	Programming 1			5
	609061	Programming 1			
G7	609070	Programming 2			5
	609071	Programming 2			
Engineering Mechanics					
G8	609080	Engineering Mechanics 1			5
	609081	Engineering Mechanics 1			
G9	609090	Engineering Mechanics 2 and 3			5
	609091	Engineering Mechanics 2			
	609092	Engineering Mechanics 3			
G10	609100	Materials			5
	609101	Materials: Plastics			
	609102	Materials: Metals			
German and Academic Skills					
G11	609110	German Language and Academic Skills 1			5
	609111	German Language and Academic Skills 1			
G12	609120	German Language and Academic Skills 2			5
	609121	German Language and Academic Skills 2			
Total					60

2.3 Admission requirements

The following admission requirements apply:

To participate in 609052 *Lab Electrical Engineering*, 609041 *Electrical Engineering and Electronics 1* must have been passed.

2.4 Bachelor's preliminary examination

The preliminary bachelor's examination of the basic study programme includes the module grades for all modules listed in Table 2. If several performance assessments take place at the course level within a module, the module grade is determined according to an ECTS-weighted arithmetic mean of the individual performances included in the module. The overall grade for the preliminary Bachelor's examination is calculated as the weighted arithmetic mean of the module grades, with the weights for the individual grades being determined on the basis of the ECTS credits listed in Table 2.

3 Main studies

3.1 Subject

The courses in the main study period are listed in Table 3.

Table 3: Subjects in the main study programme

Semester	Course					Examination		Prerequisite		ECTS
	Module	No	Course title	Type	SWS	Type	Duration	Type	Duration	
3	H1	609210	Signals and Systems			LK	120			
		609211	Signals and Systems	V/Ü	4	Module exam				5
		609230	Metrology and Sensors			LP				
	H3	609231	Metrology	V/Ü	2	Module exam				2.5
		609232	Sensors	V/Ü	2	Module exam				2.5
	H5	609250	Manufacturing Technology			LP				
		609251	Manufacturing Technology	V/Ü	4	Module exam				5
	H6	609260	Engineering Design			LKBK	120			
		609261	Engineering Design	V/Ü	4	Module exam				5
		609270	Microcontroller and Software Engineering			LP				
	H7	609271	Microcontrollers	V/Ü	2	Module exam				2.5
		609272	Software Engineering	V/Ü	2	Module exam				2.5
	H9	609290	Data Science							
		609291	Data Science	V/Ü	2	LK	60			2.5
		609292	Lab Physics	L/S	2			SL		2.5
Total 3rd semester					24	6		1		30
4	H2	609220	Control Systems			LK	120			
		609221	Control Systems	V/Ü	4	Module exam				5
		609240	Labs Control and Metrology							
	H4	609241	Lab Control	L/S	2			SL		2.5
		609242	Lab Metrology	L/S	2	LL				2.5
	H10	609300	Introduction to AI			LKBK	90			
		609301	Introduction to AI	V/Ü	4	Module exam				5
	H11	609330	Project Lab			LA				
		609331	Project Lab	L/S	2	Module exam				5
	H17	609370	Elective 1							

			Electives according to section 3.2		4	Lx			5
	H18	609380	Elective 2						
			Electives according to section 3.2		4	Lx			5
Total 4th semester					22	6	1		30

5	H15	609350	Internship						
		609351	Supervised Internship		0		SA		26
		609352	Colloquium accompanying the internship		0		SR		4
Total 5th semester					0	0	2		30

6	H11	609310	Reinforcement learning			LA			
		609311	Reinforcement Learning	V/Ü	4	Module exam			5
	H1	609320	Computer Vision			LA			
		609321	Computer Vision	V/Ü	4	Module exam			5
	H1	609340	Seminar Project			LE			
		609341	Seminar Project	L/S	1	Module exam			7.5
	H1	609360	General Studies ¹⁾						
		609361	General Studies		2		Sx		2.5
	H19	609390	Elective 3						
			Electives according to section 3.2		4	Lx			5
H20		609400	Elective 4						
			Electives according to section 3.2		4	Lx			5
Total 6th semester					19	5	1		30

7	H8	609280	IIoT			LA			
		609281	IIoT	V/Ü	4	Module exam			5
	H21	609410	Elective 5						
			Electives according to section 3.2		4	Lx			5
	H22	609420	Elective 6						
			Electives according to section 3.2		4	Lx			5
	H23	609430	Project Planning, Thesis and Colloquium						
		609431	Project Planning and Colloquium	S	0	PA			3
		609432	Thesis		0	PB			12
Total 7th semester					12	5	0		30

¹⁾ In 609360 *Studium Generale*, a subject from the Studium Generale in the field of "Ethics, Environment and Sustainability" or the subject 612372 *Ethics* from the WF catalogue (see section 3.2) must be selected. The course and examination format correspond to those offered by the Studium Generale.

3.2 Electives

To fulfil the **examination requirements for "Elective 1-2"**, students must select technical electives totalling 10 ECTS from the VF catalogue. To fulfil the **examination requirements for "Elective 3-6"**, technical electives totalling 20 ECTS must be selected from the VF catalogue or the WF catalogue ¹⁾.

Examination requirements from *Elective 1* (609370) and *Elective 3* (609390), totalling 10 ECTS, must be completed in German. English-language courses may be selected for the remaining electives.

The courses from the VF and WF catalogues are designed to enable students to deepen their studies. Students can choose specialisations here by successfully completing the elective courses assigned to the respective specialisation. The assignment of each elective to one or more areas of specialisation is indicated in the VF and WF catalogues and in the module handbook. Selected areas of specialisation can be indicated on the certificate.

The VF and WF catalogues are part of the module handbook and are available on the programme homepage and the official digital learning platform of the university by the end of the previous semester at the latest. Subjects from other programmes outside the Heilbronn University faculty or from other universities may be recognised upon request. Participation in elective courses may be limited due to capacity reasons.

Changes to the VF and WF catalogues are approved by the Examination Board upon request of the lecturer responsible for the course in question, after consultation with the Faculty Council and the Study Commission. The subjects offered must take into account the competence objectives of the degree programme and must correspond to at least level 6 of the German Qualifications Framework. Multiple crediting for subjects is not permitted.

3.3 Module examinations in the main study period

The module examinations of the Bachelor's examination, the associated examination requirements and prerequisites, as well as the weighting of the grades for the individual examination requirements and the module grades and the Bachelor's thesis are shown in Table 4.

Table 4: Module examinations for the Bachelor's examination, weighting of the grades for the individual examination components and module grades

Module grades for the main study programme: Intelligent Mechatronic Systems (IMS)					
Module	No	Module name			Weighting of the module grade for the grade in accordance with § 29
		Examination	No	Prerequisite	
Control Systems and Metrology					
H1	609210	Signals and Systems			5
	609211	Signals and Systems			
H2	609220	Control Systems			5
	609221	Control Systems			
H3	609230	Metrology and Sensors			5
	609231	Metrology			
	609232	Sensors			
H4	609240	Laboratory control and metrology			5
			609241	Lab Control	
	609242	Lab Metrology			
Mechatronic Engineering					
H5	609250	Manufacturing Technology			5
	609251	Manufacturing Technology			
H6	609260	Engineering Design			5
	609261	Engineering Design			
H7	609270	Microcontroller and Software Engineering			5
	609271	Microcontrollers			

	609272	Software Engineering			
H8	609280	IIoT			5
	609281	IIoT			
Intelligent Systems					
H9	609290	Data Science			5
	609291	Data Science			
	609292	Lab Physics			
H10	609300	Introduction to AI			5
	609301	Introduction to AI			
H11	609310	Reinforcement Learning			5
	609311	Reinforcement Learning			
H12	609320	Computer Vision			5
	609321	Computer Vision			
Projects					
H13	609330	Project Lab			5
	609331	Project Lab			
H14	609340	Seminar Project			7.5
	609341	Seminar Project			
Internship					
H15	609350	Internship			0
			609351	Supervised Internship	
			609352	Colloquium accompanying the internship	
General Studies					
H16	609360	General Studies			0
			609361	General Studies	
Electives					
H17	609370	Elective 1			5
		Electives according to section 3.2			
H18	609380	Elective 2			5
		Electives according to section 3.2			
H19	609390	Elective 3			5
		Electives according to section 3.2			
H20	609400	Elective 4			5
		Electives according to section 3.2			
H21	609410	Elective 5			5

		Electives according to section 3.2			
H22	609420	Elective 6			5
		Electives according to section 3.2			
Bachelor's thesis					
H23	609430	Project Planning, Thesis and Colloquium			15
	609431	Project Planning and Colloquium			
	609432	Thesis			
Total					117

3.4 Bachelor's examination

The bachelor's degree certificate contains the module grades for all modules listed in Table 4 and the bachelor's thesis. If several performance assessments take place at course level within a module (including compulsory elective modules), the module grade is determined according to an arithmetic mean weighted according to ECTS of the individual performances contained in the module. The overall grade on the Bachelor's certificate is calculated as the weighted arithmetic mean of the module grades and the grade for the Bachelor's thesis, with the weights for the individual grades being determined on the basis of the ECTS credits listed in Table 4.

3.5 Admission requirements

The following admission requirements apply:

To participate in *609241 Lab Control*, *609211 Signals and Systems* must have been passed.

To participate in *609242 Lab Metrology*, *609230 Sensors and Metrology* must have been passed.

To participate in *609292 Lab Physics*, *609031 Physics* must have been passed.

Successful participation in the practical study semester (internship) must be proven at the latest when the Bachelor's thesis is submitted.

All modules of the 3rd and 4th semesters must be passed before the Bachelor's thesis is issued.

3.6 Practical study semester

The requirements for crediting the practical study semester and the office responsible for crediting are regulated in the general section of these study and examination regulations (§§ 4, 7 para. 2).

Module *609121 German Language and Academic Skills 2* must have been successfully completed before the practical study semester begins.

During the practical study semester, students should apply the knowledge they have acquired so far in a supervised practical phase. They should carry out engineering or information technology tasks independently and with shared responsibility.

A practical study semester completed abroad is expressly desired.

3.7 Special regulations for Studium-PLUS models during the contract period between the cooperation company and the student

As part of their studies, Studium-Plus students are required to complete additional practical work at their cooperation company during lecture-free and exam-free periods that are not used for statutory holiday entitlement. During these periods, the specialist knowledge acquired to date is applied and deepened in practice, and students gain an in-depth understanding of the working conditions and methods of engineers.

Their engineering-related activities include working as independently and responsibly as possible, as well as working on and solving specific problems in the following possible areas:

- Development
- Laboratory, testing and test field
- Design and standardisation
- Production planning and control
- Production and assembly
- Quality assurance
- Project planning
- Technical sales
- or other relevant areas.

The focus is based on the company's capabilities and the content of the degree programme.

The level of the activities must be adapted to the individual progress of the programme so that the course content can be learned, applied and consolidated through in-depth practical knowledge.

4 Entry into force

These study and examination regulations (SPO 1) shall enter into force on 1 September 2025.

Heilbronn, 30 April 2025

Signed:

Prof. Dr.-Ing. Oliver Lenzen Rector

Announcement

The examination regulations are hereby publicly announced in accordance with the announcement regulations of Heilbronn University of Applied Sciences dated 28 June 2017.

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For the Prorectorate for Learning and Teaching

Signed

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