

Exams During Pregnancy and the Statutory Maternity Protection Periods

This section outlines the various options and the organizational handling of exams during pregnancy and the statutory maternity protection periods (6 weeks before and 8 weeks after the birth of the child / 12 weeks after a premature or multiple birth). Please note that the examination regulations can only be implemented if the pregnancy has been officially reported to the university.

1. Leave of Absence Semester:

During a leave of absence semester, you are not allowed to take exams and will be blocked from registering for them.

2. Studies During Pregnancy:

a. During Pregnancy Until the Start of Maternity Protection Periods

During pregnancy, until the start of maternity protection, the usual rules of your examination regulations apply. For more information regarding exams, please refer to this [link](#).

b. Taking Advantage of the Statutory Maternity Protection Periods

During the statutory maternity protection periods, you are not allowed to take exams and will be blocked from registration. The examination office can register a withdrawal directly upon notification of pregnancy in service registrations, thus automatically excusing you from exams.

c. Waiving the Statutory Maternity Protection Periods

If you waive the statutory maternity protection periods, you may still register for and participate in exams, **but you are not obligated to do so**. Please note that, due to organizational reasons of the portal, a service registration will still take place, but you are not required to attend exams during the maternity protection periods.

If you do not wish to participate in exams (service registration or voluntary registration) or if it is not possible, please inform your relevant examination office in writing, **preferably before or within 3 days after the exam**. Only then can you be excused from the exam, and the examination office will register the withdrawal. Submitting a medical certificate is not required due to the proven pregnancy.