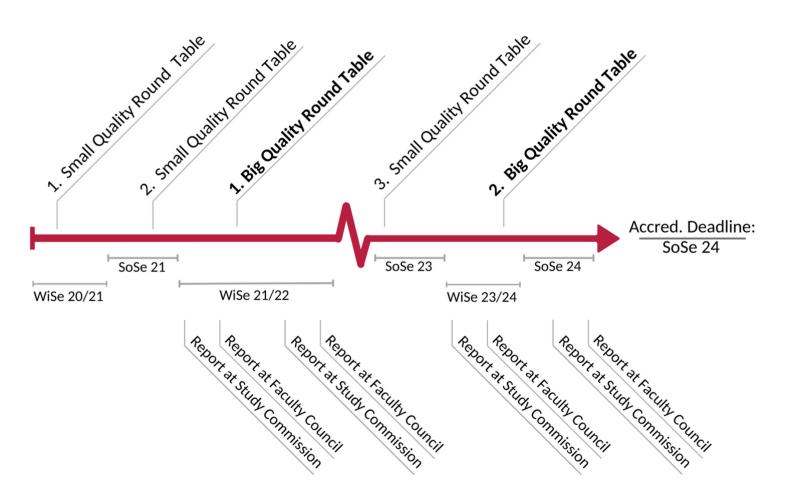


# **Decentralized quality management**

# Status of the cluster: Modern Indian Studies (04.2024)

## Study programs:

- 2-subject-BA Modern Indian Studies
- MA Modern Indian Studies





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### 1. Overview of the status of the cluster

At the beginning of every Quality Round Table the status of the implementation of the measures is reported.

#### 1. Small Quality Round Table 25.11.2020

Assessment of criteria:

For all programs in the cluster: 3 to 4.3.2

#### 2. Small Quality Round Table 07.07.2021

Assessment of criteria:

MA Modern Indian Studies: 1.1 to 2.7

10.2021: Report at Study Commission 10.2021: Report at Faculty Council

#### 1. Big Quality Round Table 10.11.2021

Topics:

#### **MA Modern Indian Studies**

- How to raise the attractiveness of the MA program for European students?
- Advertising strategies for the MA program in Germany and Europe

#### 2-subject-BA Modern Indian Studies

- Competencies in subject specific topics and methods in Modern Indian Studies and the role of (inter)disciplinarity
- Examinations and workload (course organization, exam formats, exam organization, grading and standards of assessment)
- General orientation and structure of the degree program. Its future prospects and strategies
  of student recruitment

12.2021: Report at Study Commission 01.2022: Report at Faculty Council

#### 3. Small Quality Round Table 05.07.2023

Assessment of criteria:

2-subject-BA Modern Indian Studies: 1.1.1 to 2.7

For all programs in the cluster: 5.1 to 6.2

11.2023: Report at Study Commission

11.2023: Faculty Council

#### 2. Big Quality Round Table 24.11.2023

Topics:

#### MA Modern Indian Studies

- Practical Issues: Organization of courses, modules and exams; planning of the course of studies; internships and semester abroad, excursions
- Contents and structures: Themes and topics; study foci; language training

#### 2-subject-BA Modern Indian Studies

- Practical Issues: Organization of courses, modules and exams; planning of the course of studies; internships and semester abroad, excursions
- Contents and structures: Themes and topics; study foci; language training

External experts have participated: JunProf. Dr. Carmen Brandt (Universität Bonn, scientist), Sabine Pabst ("FoodFirst Informations- und Aktions-Netzwerk" (FIAN International) (practising professional ("Berufspraktiker")), Bartosz Zdanowicz (HU Berlin, student).

04.2024: Report at Study Commission 04.2024: Report at Faculty Council

#### **Further proceedings:**

Following the quality round, the protocol is available in Sharepoint. The external reviewers will then write their reviews. As soon as these are available, they will be discussed in a small quality round. The central evaluation committee will then also begin its work and the "CEMIS" cluster will enter the internal accreditation process. The central internal accreditation is going to take place in summer 2024. The next small quality round table will presumably take place also in summer term 2024.

## 2. Criteria evaluation in the cluster Modern Indian Studies

The following are the results of the assessment of the quality criteria for the programs in the cluster Modern Indian Studies.

Legend: ☑ (target reached) ☐ (deferred)

X (target currently missed)

### 2a. Overview of assessed quality criteria for the 2-subject-BA Modern Indian Studies

Num ber	Quality criteria	hecked	5.11.20	02.02.21	2,11,21	5.07.23	3,11,23
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1.	Didactic approach						
1.1	(General) Programme qualification objectives						
1.1.1	Scientific proficiency and subject-specific competence (incl. methodological competence)	Х				<b></b>	
1.1.2	Ability to take up qualified employment (also: interdisciplinary competences)	Х				<b>7</b>	
1.1.3	Personality development and empowerment to play a part in society	Х				<b>7</b>	
1.1.4	Scientific self-image/professionalism	Х				<b>√</b>	
1.1.5	Communication and cooperation, teaching competence	Х				<b>√</b>	
1.1.6	Profile target: Internationalization	Х				X	
1.1.7	Profile target: Digitization/Digital competencies	Х				X	
1.1.8	Profile target: Diversity	Х				X	
1.1.9	Profile target: Sustainability	Х				X	
1.2	Achievement of qualification objectives	Х				<b>4</b>	
1.3	Suitable entrance requirements	Х				<b>4</b>	
1.4	Quality and transparency of examination requirements	Х				<b>4</b>	
1.5	Appropriate examination system	Х				<b>4</b>	
1.6	Examination feedback system	Х				<b>4</b>	
2.	Feasibility of the study course						
2.1	Course orientation facilities	Х				<b>4</b>	
2.2	Supervision of introduction phases	Х				<b>4</b>	
2.3	Study advisory service	Х				<b>4</b>	
2.4	Course duration	Х				V	
2.5	Organisation of examination and examination equality	Х				<b>7</b>	

Num ber	Quality criteria	Checked	25.11.20	07.07.21	10,11,21	05.02.23	23,11,23
2.6	Student workload	Х				<b>7</b>	
2.7	Recognition of credits	Х				<b>√</b>	
3.	Course-related cooperation agreements	Х	V				
3.1	Cooperation with scientific institutions	Х	<b></b>				
3.2	Cooperation with non-scientific institutions	Х	<b>7</b>				
4.	Facilities	Х	V				
4.1.	Teaching staff	Х	<b>7</b>				
4.1.1	Teaching staff: Number, status, and subject-specific qualification	Х	<b>7</b>				
4.1.2	Teaching staff: HE didactics qualification	Х	<b>4</b>				
4.1.3	Profile target: Engagement of visiting scholars	Х	<b>4</b>				
4.1.4	Profile target: Engagement of practising professionals	Х	<b>4</b>				
4.2	Coordination	Х	<b>4</b>				
4.3	Teaching infrastructure	Х	<b>4</b>				
4.3.1	Teaching infrastructure: Rooms, equipment and IT	Х	<b>4</b>				
4.3.2	Teaching infrastructure: Scientific literature, collections and databases	Х	<b>7</b>				
5.	Transparency and documentation						
5.1	Transparency of regulations	Х				<b>√</b>	
5.2	Access to current information	Х				<b>√</b>	
5.3	Graduation documents	Х				<b>√</b>	
6.	Diversity, gender equality and equal opportunities						
6.1	Equal opportunities guarantee	Х				<b>√</b>	
6.2	Compensation for disadvantages	Х				<b>√</b>	
7.	Profile target: Quality Assurance						

## 2b. Overview of assessed quality criteria for the MA Modern Indian Studies

Num ber	Quality criteria	Checked	25.11.20	15.00.40	16.11.51	05.07-23	23.11.23
1.	Didactic approach						
1.1	(General) Programme qualification objectives						

Num ber	Quality criteria	Checked	25.11.20	15:00:0	10,11,21	05.07.23	23. <sub>11.23</sub>
1.1.1	Scientific proficiency and subject-specific competence (incl. methodological competence)	Х		<b>√</b>			
1.1.2	Ability to take up qualified employment (also: interdisciplinary competences)	Х		<b>7</b>			
1.1.3	Personality development and empowerment to play a part in society	Х		<b>7</b>			
1.1.4	Scientific self-image/professionalism	Х		<b>4</b>			
1.1.5	Communication and cooperation, teaching competence	Х		<b>√</b>			
1.1.6	Profile target: Internationalization	Х		X			
1.1.7	Profile target: Digitization/Digital competencies	Х		X			
1.1.8	Profile target: Diversity	Х		X			
1.1.9	Profile target: Sustainability	Х		X			
1.2	Achievement of qualification objectives	Х		<b>4</b>			
1.3	Suitable entrance requirements	Х		<b>√</b>			
1.4	Quality and transparency of examination requirements	Х		<b>4</b>			
1.5	Appropriate examination system	Х		<b>√</b>			
1.6	Examination feedback system	Х		<b>4</b>			
2.	Feasibility of the study course						
2.1	Course orientation facilities	Х		<b>4</b>			
2.2	Supervision of introduction phases	Х		<b>√</b>			
2.3	Study advisory service	Х		<b>√</b>			
2.4	Course duration	Х		<b>√</b>			
2.5	Organisation of examination and examination equality	Х		<b>√</b>			
2.6	Student workload	Х		<b>√</b>			
2.7	Recognition of credits	Х		<b>4</b>			
3.	Course-related cooperation agreements	Х	<b>7</b>				
3.1	Cooperation with scientific institutions	Х	<b>4</b>				
3.2	Cooperation with non-scientific institutions	Х	<b>4</b>				
4.	Facilities	Х	<b>4</b>				
4.1.	Teaching staff	Х	<b>7</b>				
4.1.1	Teaching staff: Number, status, and subject-specific qualification	Х	<b>7</b>				
4.1.2	Teaching staff: HE didactics qualification	Х	V				
4.1.3	Profile target: Engagement of visiting scholars	Х	<b>4</b>				

Num ber	Quality criteria	Checked	25.11.20	02.02-21	10,11,21	05.07.23	<sup>23,</sup> 11,23
4.1.4	Profile target: Engagement of practising professionals	Х	<b>4</b>				
4.2	Coordination	Х	<b>√</b>				
4.3	Teaching infrastructure	Х	<b>√</b>				
4.3.1	Teaching infrastructure: Rooms, equipment and IT	Х	<b>4</b>				
4.3.2	Teaching infrastructure: Scientific literature, collections and databases	Х	<b>7</b>				
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5.	Transparency and documentation						
5.1	Transparency and documentation  Transparency of regulations	Х				<b>7</b>	
		X				<b>7</b>	
5.1	Transparency of regulations						
5.1	Transparency of regulations  Access to current information	Х				<b>7</b>	
5.1 5.2 5.3	Transparency of regulations  Access to current information  Graduation documents	Х				<b>7</b>	
5.1 5.2 5.3 <b>6.</b>	Transparency of regulations  Access to current information  Graduation documents  Diversity, gender equality and equal opportunities	X				<b>7</b>	

# 3. Up to date overview for improvements in the cluster Modern Indian Studies

### 3a. Improvements for all programs of the cluster

State of improvement:

done: 🚺

in progress:

discarded: 👿



Criteria	Date: Improvement & responsibility	Time-horizon	State of the implementation		Date goal archieved
4.2 Coordination	11.2020: At the moment Dr. Dickhardt has a 25% position of a regular contract, but would need a 50% position to fulfill all the tasks according to the last programme accreditation; Cemis would also welcome if Dr. Dickhardt could work 50% of his time as a programme coordinator  Karin Klenke und Studiendekan	ongoing	12.2021: State of affairs unchanged due to the financial situation of the Faculty.  07.2023: ongoing  11.2023: ongoing		
4.3 Teaching infrastructure	<ul> <li>11.2020:</li> <li>room for improvement with the WIFI connection in Waldweg and Oeconomicum</li> <li>room for improvement: multimedia equipment could be enhanced</li> <li>no Cemis teaching rooms, hence, no influence on the equipment of facilities</li> <li>Cemis boardroom can be used by students</li> <li>Fakultätsreferent</li> </ul>	March 2022	12.2021: Accesspoints will be replaced by March 2022 in coordination with GWDG.  07.2023: The Internet now works throughout the buliding.	<b>√</b>	QR: 07.2023  Study commission: 12.2021 Faculty council: 01.2022

Criteria	Date: Improvement & responsibility	Time-horizon	State of the implementation	Date goal archieved
4.3.2 Scientific literature, collections and databases	11.2020: access to relevant E-Journals should be improved Bibliotheksbeauftragte	ongoing	12.2021: Continiously monitored but no new state of affairs.  07.2023: The new library commissioner prepares an updated overview and checks the currently available accesses.  11.2023: new figures: done, preparing infosession for new students: ongoing	
6.1 Equal opportunities guarantee	O7.2023: The current non-occupation of the Equal Opportunities Officer at the Faculty of Social Sciences and the lack of a central anti-discrimination office is a cause of concern for students.  Therefore, the following measures have been developed: In order to deal with the specific problems of CeMIS students (including the issue of caste), the introduction of a reporting procedure with ad hoc committees to be set up as required at CeMIS should be examined.  Discussion rounds are to be organised once a semester to raise awareness of the issue.	ongoing	11.2023: in preparation	

Criteria	Date: Improvement & responsibility	Time-horizon	State of the implementation	Pate goal rchieved
6.2 Compensation for	The creation of an anti-discrimination concept for CeMIS is to be examined. An agenda item on anti-discrimination will be included in the orientation phase. In addition, it will be examined whether it is possible to reserve one class session in the compulsory course in the first semester of the Master's degree for this topicStudy Programme Coordinator CeMIS BoardStudy Programme Coordinator CeMISStudy Programme componentiation is to be	WiSe 23/24	11.2023:	
disadvantages	disadvantage compensation is to be improved on the CeMIS website Study Programme Coordinator		in preparation	
Competencies in subject specific topics and methods in Modern Indian Studies and the role of (inter)disciplinarity	10.11.2021: Expand language training: search for allies in other departments, form an alliance with other stakeholders, offer language training via "Lehraufträge" (as an interim solution)	WS 21/22	12.2021: In preparation  07.2023: ongoing  11.2023: ongoing	
Competencies in subject specific topics and methods in Modern Indian Studies and the role of (inter)disciplinarity	11.2021: Remind the presidential board of their obligation to guarantee the mandatory language training in the BA and MA program through a permanently	WS 21/22	12.2021: In preparation 07.2023:	

Criteria	Date: Improvement & responsibility	Time-horizon	State of the implementation	ementation	
	employed language teacher		ongoing		
	Mr. Vollmer		<b>11.2023:</b> ongoing		
Examinations and workload (course organization, exam formats, exam organization, grading and standards of assessment)	11.2021: Where it is necessary for reaching the goals of the class it should be possible to demand a compulsory attendance	a.s.a.p.	12.2021: In preparation.  07.2023: Implemented for language courses in both degree programmes and the compulsory modules in the MA Modern Indian Studies	<b>√</b>	QR: 07.2023  Study commission: 11.2023 Faculty council 11.2023

## 3b. Improvements for the 2-subject-BA Modern Indian Studies

Criteria	Date: Improvement & responsibility	Time-horizon	State of the implementation	Date goal archieved
1.1.1 Scientific proficiency and subject-specific competence (incl. methodological competence)	07.2023: The teaching of interdisciplinary methodological competence as an integrative task in the compulsory modules is guaranteed, but redundancies sometimes arise in teaching practice, especially with regard to the modules B.MIS.111 and 124. The teaching contents of these two modules should be better coordinated in the future.  Study Programme Coordinator and Research Groups		in preparation  11.2023: The responsible lecturers have already coordinated the respective syllabi.	Study commission 04.2024 Faculty council: 04.2024

Criteria	Date: Improvement & responsibility	Time-horizon	State of the implementation		Date goal archieved
1.1.3 Personal development and empowerment to play a part in society	11.2023: : CeMIS is working hard to create the conditions for a reliable range of modern Indian languages at beginner and advanced level is available for Bachelor students.  The executive board & dean of studies				
1.4 Quality and transparency of examination requirements	O7.2023: As courses are often offered also for other degree programmes, the variety of examination forms in the individual courses sometimes leads to confusion about the concrete examination requirements. The CeMIS Board should therefore examine how the information on the examination requirements can be made available in a standardised form in every course. This includes information on the forms of examination, the examination requirements and the assessment criteria.  Study Programme Coordinator CeMIS Board	WiSe 23/24	in preparation  11.2023: All lecturers receive a detailed list of the module exams to be offered in their courses along with an info-mail on the issue.	<b>√</b>	QR 11.2023 Study commission 04.2024 Faculty council: 04.2024

Criteria	Date: Improvement & responsibility	Time-horizon	State of the implementation		Date goal archieved
2.6 Student workload	07.2023: The high number of credits for the B.MIS.122 "Lehrforschungsprojekt Moderne Indienstudien" module has proven to be impractical. A reduction should be examined.  Study Programme Coordinator	ongoing	07.2023: In preparation  11.2023: Change in the module description will be submitted for winter term 2024/25		
Competencies in subject specific topics and methods in Modern Indian Studies and the role of (inter)disciplinarity	11.2021: Introduce restrictions on possible combinations within the 2-subject bachelor	n.a.	12.2021: In preparation  07.2023: Ongoing  11.2023: Ongoing		
General orientation and structure of the degree program, its future prospects and strategies of student recruitment	11.2021: Market combinations within the 2- subject-B.A. that make sense to study them together	ongoing	12.2021: Work in progress  07.2023: Ongoing  11.2023: Done	<b>√</b>	QR 11.2023 Study commission 04.2024 Faculty council: 04.2024
General orientation and structure of the degree program, its future prospects and strategies of student recruitment	11.2021: Publish list of recommended subject combinations with Modern Indian Studies on website		11.2021: List has been published	<b>√</b>	QR: 11.2021 StuKo: 12.2021 FakRat: 01.2022

Criteria	Date: Improvement & responsibility	Time-horizon	State of the implementation		Date goal archieved
General orientation and structure of the degree program, its future prospects and strategies of student recruitment	11.2021: Engage universities' study counselling in advising students on subject combinationsstudy-counseling, dean of studies office	WS 21/22	<b>07.2023:</b> Done	<b>√</b>	QR: 07.2023  Study commission: 11.2023 Faculty council 11.2023
General orientation and structure of the degree program, its future prospects and strategies of student recruitment	11.2021: Introduction of the Modern Indian Studies in the BA Sowi orientation module Michael Collins, Klaas Kunst		12.2021: Presentation on 22 December 2021.	<b>√</b>	QR: 11.2021 StuKo: 12.2021 FakRat: 01.2022
General orientation and structure of the degree program, its future prospects and strategies of student recruitment	11.2021: When approaching schools: join with other institutes at the faculty and coordinate	2022	12.2021: In preparation  07.2023: In preparation  11.2023: In preparation		
General orientation and structure of the degree program, its future prospects and strategies of student recruitment	11.2021: Invite teachers to an event at the faculty to present our study programsstudy commission, dean of studies office, Studiengangsbeauftragte	2022	12.2021: In preparation  07.2023 In preparation  11.2023: In preparation		

## 3c. Improvements for the MA Modern Indian Studies

Criteria	Date: improvement & responsibility	time-horizon	State of the implementation	Date goal archieved by QR
1.1.1 Scientific proficiency and subject competence (also research method competence)	11.2023: Mr. Dickhardt contacts Mr. Stubbe and discusses the possibility of English-language methods courses for the Master's programme Study coordinator	Summerterm 2024		
1.1.1 Scientific proficiency and subject competence (also research method competence)	11.2023: One of the courses on academic writing should be offered directly by CeMISStudy coordinator	Winterterm 2023/24		
1.1.1 Scientific proficiency and subject competence (also research method competence)	11.2023: Another course in academic writing should be offered for those who need it	Winterterm 2023/24		
1.1.1 Scientific proficiency and subject competence (also research method competence)	11.2023: Mr. Dickhardt discusses the opening of further courses with the responsible persons in the faculty, e.g. with the Director of Political Science	Summerterm 2024		

Criteria	Date: improvement & responsibility	time-horizon	State of the implementation	Date goal archieved by QR
1.1.1 Scientific proficiency and subject competence (also research method competence)	11.2023: Mr. Dickhardt discusses cooperation possibilities with the teachers from gender studies and Mrs. Hauenschild as coordinator	Summerterm 2024		
1.1.2 Ability to take up qualified employment (also: interdisciplinary competences)	11.2023: Information event on internships and how they can be credited to your degree program	Winterterm 2024/25		
	Study coordinator & Philipp Kleinert/Michael Bonn-Gerdes			
1.1.3 Personal development and empowerment to play a part in society	11.2023: Mr. Dickhardt tries to organize an intensive German courses for MA MIS students as a compulsory elective moduleStudy coordinator	Summerterm 2024		
1.1.8 Diversity	11.2023: Mr. Dickhardt discusses the integration of the topic gender with the lecturers at CeMISStudy coordinator	Summerterm 2024		

Criteria	Date: improvement & responsibility	time-horizon	State of the implementation		Date goal archieved by QR
1.6 Examination feedback system	11.2021: Inform the students in the orientation week about the possibility to get feedback anytime when they contact the professors	ongoing	12.2021: Is done regularly. Students' requests are clarified and resolved together with the examiners.  07.2023: Regular information in orientation events and in student councelling	<b>√</b>	QR: 07.2023  Study commission: 11.2023 Faculty council 11.2023
2.1 Course orientation facilities	11.2021: more counselling in the phase between admission and enrolment and for about 2-3 months in the 1st semester	ongoing	12.2021: Additional Midterm Consultations for MA MIS are offered in December; in all general consultation hours students are asked about their study plan.  07.2023: Additional councelling is offered regularly, either individually or in thematic info-sessions	<b>√</b>	QR: 07.2023  Study commission: 11.2023  Faculty council 11.2023
2.6 Student workload	11.2023: Mr. Dickhardt contacts the teacher of the course "academic writing in English language" and discusses the problems raised (incl. the workload).	Winterterm 2023/24			

Criteria	Date: improvement & responsibility	time-horizon	State of the implementation	Date goal archieved by QR
5.2 Access to current information	11.2023: Module structure is complicated: Which modules belong in the new study specializations? Which in the professionalization area? Establishment of new information formats incl. informal Information and using the experience of the advanced students (e.g. mail before arrival, faq on the website and in info meeting)  Study coordinator	Winterterm 2024/25		
5.2 Access to current information	11.2023: Establishment of new information formats incl. informal Information and using the experience of the advanced students (e.g. mail before arrival, faq on the website and in info meeting)  Study coordinator	Winterterm 2024/25		
5.2 Access to current information	11.2023: Shift of the special information session on the study foci from the orientation week to a time well before the semester start.  Study coordinator	Winterterm 2024/25		

Criteria	Date: improvement & responsibility	time-horizon	State of the implementation		Date goal archieved by QR
5.2 Access to current information	11.2023: Changing the frequency of the compulsory modules in the study focus Anthropology of Power	Winterterm 2024/25			
5.2 Access to current information	11.2023: Collect and publish information on financing, funding, scholarships etc Study coordinator & Philipp Kleinert/Michael Bonn-Gerdes	Winterterm 2024/25			
5.2 Access to current information	11.2023: Mrs. Schallmann contacts the SUB so that they make it clear on the homepage that courses are also offered in English	Winterterm 2023/24			
Advertising strategies for the M.A. program in Germany and Europe	11.2021: Highlighting skills for PhD studies / academic career	ongoing	12.2021: In preparation  07.2023: SQM Events winter 23/24 and summer 23	<b>√</b>	QR: 07.2023  Study commission: 11.2023  Faculty council 11.2023

Criteria	Date: improvement & responsibility	time-horizon	State of the implementation		Date goal archieved by QR
Advertising strategies for the M.A. program in Germany and Europe	11.2021: Strengthen recruitment from BA programs in Göttingen:  • integrate classes in the political sciences (1)  • supervisors of theses actively recruit students (2)  1: dean of studies; 2:CeMIS lecturers	1: a.s.a.p. 2: ongoing	12.2021: Work in progress  07.2023: Ongoing  11.2023: in progress		
Advertising strategies for the M.A. program in Germany and Europe	11.2021: Highlighting skills for economic sector	ongoing	12.2021: Work in progress  07.2023: Ongoing  11.2023: Lecture series and workshops (WiSe 22/23 &SuSe 23); website "Careers in Germany - and beyond"	<b>√</b>	QR 11.2023  Study commission 04.2024 Faculty council: 04.2024
Advertising strategies for the M.A. program in Germany and Europe	11.2021: Integrate more in European and North American networks of academic institutions and scholars working on South Asia	n.a.	12.2021: Work in progress  07.2023: Ongoing  11.2023: Ongoing	<b>√</b>	QR 11.2023 Study commission 04.2024 Faculty council: 04.2024

Criteria	Date: improvement & responsibility	time-horizon	State of the implementation	Date goal archieved by QR
	11.2023: Mr. Dickhardt informs the teachers from CEMIS about the Enlight programStudy coordinator	Summerterm 2024		