

Appendix 3 Adjusted RDP policy

-This protocol is part of Addendum EER Bachelor 2019-2020 covid-19

-This protocol is valid from 1 April 2020 up to and including 31 August 2020

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CONTEXT:

Due to the covid-19 pandemic and following the service document 6.0 issued by the Ministry of Education, Hotelschool The Hague has decided to adjust the RDP policy.

This adjusted RDP policy applies to students of Intake September 2019 (791) and students of Intake February 2020 (792) as well as to students of Intake February 2019 (782) who received an RDP extension.

The campuses have been temporarily closed from 13th March 2020 onwards, following the covid-19 measures imposed by the Dutch government and the national health organisations. As of today, the campuses are still not fully operational and several covid-19 measures are still in place.

The higher education service document 6.0 leaves room for educational institutions to adapt and postpone the RDP requirements in order to anticipate on the situation that students may encounter study delay due to the covid-19 measures.

The covid-19 crisis has led to a number of measures which deviate from the regular education and exam regulation as stipulated in the EER Bachelor of 2019-2020 version 30 August 2019.

All education has moved on-line and this has had consequences for theoretical as well as practical education, assessments and placements.

The current EER Bachelor 2019-2020, article 5.3, provides the possibility to waive an RDP due to special personal circumstances of the student if that particular student has notified Hotelschool The Hague timely about his personal circumstances. However, the Act on Higher Education and Research (WHW) also provides the possibility to waive or postpone an RDP in case the delay was caused by an insufficiently study-able programme for instance due to the current covid-19 situation (WHW art. 2.1 lid 1 sub i).

EXECUTION:

The new RDP requirements for Intake September 2019 (791) and February 2020 (792) are that students need to obtain all 60 European Credits for year 1, two years after the start of their studies. For the September 2019 Intake this will be at the end of block D of Academic Year 2020-2021 (31 August, 2021) whereas for the Intake February 2020 (792) this will be at the end of block B of Academic Year 2021-2022 (Start-up week February, 14 February 2022). This replaces the RDP requirements as described in article 5.3. However, the RDP procedures described in article 5.2 & 5.3 remain in place.

Students who fail to meet the RDP requirements at said times will receive a Requirement to Discontinue their Studies (RDP).

For the students of the February 2019 Intake, who had received an extension to meet their RDP requirement of 51 ECs including CBV in year 1, a personalized decision will be taken regarding their options to meet this requirement at the end of their extension.

Personal tutors and Study Progress Coordinators (SPCs) have been informed in case students are encountering a study delay and pertains to one of the student intakes as mentioned above. The students are actively invited to discuss how study delay can be minimized and to explore what kind of personal guidance that they need.