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- 1. Welcome greeting to the first semester students**

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To all students who are new to our university for WS 21/22: A warm welcome, we are glad that you are here. We wish you an exciting and fulfilling time studying until you successfully graduate! Some of the new students cannot yet receive this newsletter because their email address has not yet been set up. So please feel free to forward it to acquaintances who are new to us. The contents of this newsletter will also be covered again in the next newsletter.

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- 2. Teaching mode WS 21/22**

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The planning of teaching operations can now be concretised on the basis of the announcements in Newsletter No.14 of 20.08.2021. The basis is the Corona Protection Ordinance version valid since 15.09.:

https://www.mags.nrw/sites/default/files/asset/document/210914_coronaschvo_ab_15.09.2021_lesefassung.pdf (For specialists: There is no longer a separate general ordinance for universities).

This results in the following for the teaching operations:

- a) Face-to-face teaching and attendance is the rule. No attendance lists or seating lists need to be kept. In principle, there is no maximum number of participants and no limit to the occupancy rate of seats.

b) The Rectorate asks the lecturers for larger courses (from 50-60 participants) to offer an additional asynchronous digital format alongside the face-to-face course, e.g. video recording of the face-to-face course or more elaborate formats, as many of the lecturers have already prepared. This leads to an equalization of the occupancy of the face-to-face courses and addresses the students who currently do not yet feel comfortable in larger groups.

The digital formats must be asynchronous. Students cannot follow synchronous online courses while they are at the university for other face-to-face courses.

c) The faculties are currently deciding on a uniform appendix to all examination regulations, which will continue some of the corona-related facilitations to the examination process for WS 21/22. When this process is completed in October, you will be informed in more detail via this newsletter.

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3. Hygiene rules

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A mask must be worn when moving around the building and in the courses. This can be dispensed within a course if the minimum distance is given. Lecturers may remove the mask.

Rooms without technical ventilation (seminar rooms, laboratories) must be ventilated regularly. CO2 detectors are currently being procured to remind the ventilation.

In addition, the other general hygiene rules of the RKI, e.g. on hand disinfection, must be followed.

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4. 3G

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We strongly recommend that all students get vaccinated against SARS-CoV-2. Admission to courses is contingent upon proof of complete immunization (by vaccination or recovery) or a current negative antigen test ("3G proof"). There will be a charge for testing starting from mid-October. The University will not be able to offer free tests. In cooperation with the city of Wuppertal, there will be another (free) vaccination offer on campus ground during the week of Oct. 11-15.

The University is required to monitor all students for 3G on a daily basis. It intends to implement the "Festival" model for this purpose: On arrival at campus, 3G checks will be carried out at numerous points and a coloured wristband will then be attached. This allows access to the buildings and the courses for the whole day. In this way, the 3G verification only has to be checked once a day, students can then move freely throughout the day, queues and disruptions at the individual courses are avoided.

Further details of the 3G checks process will be announced in this newsletter shortly before the start of term.

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5. Link-/Contact-Collection

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Current measures due to Covid-19: <https://www.uni-wuppertal.de/de/universitaet/coronavirus/>

General FAQs on Uni@Home: www.uni-wuppertal.de/studium

Information from ZIM: <https://zim.uni-wuppertal.de/>

For students:

Contact form of the quality representative: <https://uni-w.de/xt50v>

Suggestions and proposals: sose2020-corona@uni-wuppertal.de

General Student Counselling: <https://www.zsb.uni-wuppertal.de/de/beratung/studium2020.html>

For teachers:

Information from the BU:NDLE network: <https://www.bundle.uni-wuppertal.de/>

Distance learning enquiries: e-teaching@uni-wuppertal.de

Please be disciplined: Check to see if answers to your concerns have not already been communicated on the University or respective faculty pages before launching inquiries via email. The FAQs and further information are constantly updated.

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