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- 1. "Adventschneise": More distance until Christmas**

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The current corona situation is characterised by very high incidence figures. Experts repeatedly point out that a reduction in contacts is one of the most effective measures for containing the incidence of infection.

This view has now also been endorsed by our Ministry of Science insofar as the Corona Epidemic University Ordinance of 1.12.2021 - enacted retroactively to 1.10.2021 - gives universities the leeway to deviate from the regular case of attendance in the next few weeks, provided that at least 25% of the courses of each degree programme are still offered in attendance.

Link: [https://recht.nrw.de/lmi/owa/br\\_vbl\\_detail\\_text?anw\\_nr=6&vd\\_id=19950](https://recht.nrw.de/lmi/owa/br_vbl_detail_text?anw_nr=6&vd_id=19950)

On the basis of this new legal situation, the Rectorate stipulates the following for the courses offered from 06.12.2021 until 17.12.2021 (i.e. until the beginning of the Christmas break):

- Laboratory practicals, courses in artistic practice and sports practice will continue to take place in presence.
- Courses for which an additional asynchronous digital format is offered in addition to the face-to-face format will continue to be offered in face-to-face and asynchronous digital formats.
- For other courses that were previously only offered in presence, an additional asynchronous digital course offering needs to be provided or an additional live streaming needs to be established or the course is no longer offered in presence and only online. In the latter case, the online offering can also be synchronous, i.e. usually as a ZOOM conference. In this case, the times used up to now must be retained in order to ensure studyability, and students must be enabled to follow this offer with their end devices even in the premises used up to now for the face-to-face course.

- In the case of courses that are offered in parallel groups (exercises, tutorials), individual groups can continue to be offered in presence – if students so wish. Of course, the usual hygiene measures and the obligation for 3G proof when attending courses in presence and entering the buildings still apply.

Even though we considered ourselves well prepared on the basis of the precautionary measures already practiced and the already reported very high vaccination rate (second vaccinations) of about 95%, we want to take up the intention of politics in view of the recent significant worsening of the situation and at least temporarily move our teaching activities back to a home teaching format.

To use an image from firefighting in nature, we are cutting a "temporal road" with this measure, which is limited for the time being to the remaining two weeks before Christmas, and which will be extended by a good two weeks until the restart in the new year. In the best case scenario, the data characterizing the infection events would then be so clearly in decline that we would be able to resume our semester of attendance that started in October.

A decision on how teaching will continue from 03 January can only be made with a short lead time. It will be announced on 30.12.2021 in this newsletter.

Instructors: Please inform your students immediately if the format of your course changes for the next two weeks.

Students: Make sure you can follow online events via ZOOM, see item 2.

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## **2. ZOOM: Installation and registration**

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On the ZIM website you will find

<https://zim.uni-wuppertal.de/de/dienste/portale/zoom-videokonferenzen-webinare.html>

instructions on how to set up the ZOOM client on your computer, tablet or mobile phone. Important: Always log in to ZOOM via SSO with your ZIM account. Only then will the full functionality of ZOOM be available to you, as we need it for breakout sessions or for using the whiteboard, for example.

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## **3. Link and contact collection**

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Questions and answers about Corona: <https://www.uni-wuppertal.de/de/universitaet/coronavirus/>

### **For students:**

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

### **For teachers:**

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

Instructions for technology in the lecture halls: <https://uni-w.de/zimhs>

Distance Teaching Requests: [e-teaching@uni-wuppertal.de](mailto:e-teaching@uni-wuppertal.de)

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