Dear students of the Faculty of Mechanical Engineering,

for once, this is not a Corona roundmail, because there are things which are important even without Corona and which might become a bit different than we had planned because of the current situation.

Since 01.06.2019, new study and examination regulations have been in force for the bachelor and diploma courses of study in mechanical engineering, process engineering and natural materials technology as well as materials science. The coming winter semester will see a change from your previous PO to the new one. If your studies went completely according to plan, you are either currently in the process of completing the 8th semester, listening to the lectures of the 9th semester in the next semester after the old PO and then writing your diploma thesis, or you are doing just that at the moment and are not affected by the whole matter.

If not, i.e. if examination achievements are still missing, we will have to make a transition where your previous services are credited to the new PO. Actually, an information event was planned for this - but, and this is where the virus comes into play again, information events are not really feasible at the moment, so this mail...

First of all, you can find out for yourself about the solutions that the examination board has already decided on for the transfer. The transitional arrangements can be found on the pages on Information from the Examination Committee at

https://tu-dresden.de/ing/maschinenwesen/studium/beratung-und-service/informationen-des-pruefungsausschusses/index.

Access to this page is login-protected, i.e. you must log in to the page with your ZIH login. Furthermore, you need the password po2019D# to open the file "strukturelle Anrechnung" - please do not pass it on!

Apart from the question of what is credited and how, the point is of course of importance which lectures and exams can still be taken according to the old PO and until when. The lecture offer in the current SoSem20 contains again all lectures of the 6th and 8th semester after PO 2012, in WiSem20/21 the 9th semester after PO 2012 is read again. Therefore: Make sure you use all the courses that are currently being digitally created at great expense. These events are now available for the last time!

The examinations according to PO 2012/2014 will be offered for the 5th semester until WiSem20/21 and for the 9th semester until WiSem21/22 according to the old examination regulations. After that the examinations must be taken according to PO2019! We therefore recommend that you do what you

can with your exams. Nothing can happen to you this semester - that's why: Every exam you take now is a big gain!

Of course, it is not critical if you still have the modules specialist internship, research internship or diploma thesis open. The only change is that you are also subject to the special rule that you can do the specialized internship at the TUD in the coming semester, and you can (but do not have to) attend the corresponding course "Introduction to Scientific Work".

Especially if many examinations are still open in your record, I strongly recommend that you seek advice at the Examination Office via web meeting. Please contact the examination office directly, either Mrs. Herzog-Schaudick or Mr. Schön, and make an appointment!

So much for today, stay healthy!

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