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Dear students of the Faculty of Mechanical Engineering,

Christmas is fast approaching and this week there has been some irritation due to the short-term announcement of the discontinuation of the classroom teaching. It is a fact that the Rectorate's e-mail of Tuesday evening stated that attendance teaching would be discontinued except for those formats that require compulsory attendance (e.g. practical exercises). A shortened version of the form appeared on the TU website:

Current information

Discontinue on-site teaching

In Saxony, the number of COVID-19 infections continues to rise dramatically. In this situation, TU Dresden is strongly committed to making a significant contribution to the reduction of contacts and to infection control. Therefore, the University Executive Board has decided to discontinue on-site teaching as of Thursday, December 10, 2020, and to switch completely to online teaching.

Contact tracing at the TU Dresden

Quite irritating;-). We asked: The statement in the rectorate mail is correct, the website is being corrected, and practical exercises etc. will take place as normal in the coming week (as far as normal in Corona times is possible...)

Since the mail also massively restricted the presence of the employees at the TUD, we are returning to the concept we already had in the hard lockdown in spring concerning the handing of final thesis and reports on Forschungspraktika etc.: You upload your thesis in the OwnCloud at https://cloudstore.zih.tu-dresden.de/ (access with your ZIH login) and send the link to the thesis to the responsible person in the examination office (in the case of theses!) and the supervising professor by the deadline. You will then submit the print version as soon as there are copy shops again...

Once again I would like to draw your attention to the **mechanical engineering study room**, which is active again on Thursday afternoons at https://matrix.tu-dresden.de an ideal offer for preparing for the examination period!

And finally, as always, the note: If you have any questions or concerns in the entire Corona situation with regard to teaching, please send them to kummerkasten-mw@tu-dresden.de, using your TUD mail address without exception (in contrast to the normal use of the Kummerkasten).

So much for today. Stay healthy!

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