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Dear students of the Faculty of Mechanical Engineering,

fortunately, the infomail of the day can remain relatively short today. Fortunately, because that also means somewhere that (a) the exam period is going pretty well and quietly and (b) that it's getting a bit quieter overall, that we're getting a bit out of the semester rush overall before we dive into the summer semester.

New is a **news page with information about studying** - e.g. about scholarships (not entirely unimportant ;-)) etc., which Mr. Sotero has just set up and which you can find on the web at <https://tu-dresden.de/ing/maschinenwesen/studium>. It's worth checking out regularly. It's worth checking it out regularly.

Also new - although only of direct importance to a few of you - is the fact that now, finally, the **tutoring contracts for the summer semester** could be settled. Why so late? Because there was no allocation of funds for it before. And currently we are very worried about this issue, because the funds we got for the whole year cover just 65% of the funds we need for the summer semester. This means that the exercise groups in the summer will be larger and we don't know at the moment what will happen in the winter.

For those who will be working as tutors this summer (perhaps for the first time), I have a very strong recommendation: **TutorING Hybrid - the tutor training in mechanical engineering!** This is a story that I started at the beginning of my time as Dean of Studies (that was many years ago ;-)), which we brought into a hybrid form appropriate for digital teaching last semester and which has demonstrably improved the quality of exercises. I.e. if you are starting out as tutors in the summer, you should definitely sign up for the course at <https://tud.link/78xj>. It brings a lot and increases not only the success of your exercise group, but also your own fun in running the exercises!

Apart from that, at the moment there is only the usual standard info that is important for the whole operation - as already said: a good sign, because if there is no really big news, it means - the story is on...:

- Of course, in the purely digital world, the examination office also operates digitally. Therefore, as always, we urgently request that you **only** send **applications etc. by e-mail!**
- The statement - everything digital - naturally also applies to the **submission of theses and supporting documents**. Here we have already returned to the concept

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we had in the hard lockdown in spring: You upload your thesis to OwnCloud at <https://cloudstore.zih.tu-dresden.de/> (access with your ZIH login) and send the link to the thesis to your examiner in the examination office (for theses!) and the supervising university lecturer by the deadline.

- As already mentioned, the **Mechanical Engineering Learning Room** remains active during the exam period at <https://matrix.tu-dresden.de/#/room/#Maschinenwesen-Lernraum-MW:tu-dresden.de> - a support we offer for this complicated exam period as a possibility to exchange about topics. Make sure you take advantage of this, because exchanging views on problematic topics is the best way to learn something quickly and effectively!

And finally, as always, the advice: if you have questions and concerns about the whole Corona situation with regard to teaching, please send them to [kummerkasten-mw@tu-dresden.de](mailto:kummerkasten-mw@tu-dresden.de), using your TUD mail address without exception (as opposed to the normal use of the Kummerkasten).

So much for now, stay tuned, take advantage of the opportunities we offer during this difficult time and

stay healthy!

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