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Dear students of the Faculty of Mechanical Engineering,

we don't have a lot of news today either, but the focus is already very clearly on the coming summer semester and its preparation. And there are a few things that are already being asked about from time to time and that I would therefore like to address briefly:

- The first organisational point for the summer semester concerns a module that actually belongs in the winter semester - the **specialist internship** (MW-MB20, MW-VNT20, MW-WW25). Since the Corona situation, and with it the willingness of companies to take on interns, has not yet eased, the regulation from the winter semester that this internship can also be completed at TU Dresden will be extended for the summer semester. This does not mean that it will always remain this way, and it does not mean that it will apply to the coming winter semester. At the moment it is an extension for the summer semester and everything else will be seen. My email this evening to the teachers in MW will also be connected with the question of possible assignments and we will then start to fill the notice board in the Opal course <https://tud.link/3jix> in the next few days.
- In the same Opal course (<https://tud.link/3jix>), the schedules for the course "**Introduction to Scientific Work**" will be published next week or the week after. It is already certain at this point that the event will take place on Wednesday evenings in the 7th DS in digital format and that the start will be on 02.06.21 - so it is still some time away...
- A second overarching event is the **Fascination of Technology in Mechanical Engineering** (MW-MB15), which will be offered in the 4th semester as an orientation for the choice of specialisations. Here, too, we are currently compiling the final programme and will publish it as soon as possible in the Opal course <https://tud.link/lemb>. The course is also purely digital and will take place on Fridays in the 1st DS, starting on 16.04.2021.
- While these two events will take place in the now familiar, purely digital form, there is fortunately also finally the possibility of holding a limited number of classroom lectures again. Dr. Becker has put a lot of effort into planning **attendance days for the 2nd, 4th and 6th semesters**, so that we can actually offer classic lecture hall lectures again in these semesters. However, the room capacities are still

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Access

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in the courtyard. Parking
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courtyard

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extremely limited. The Audimax can hold just 125 listeners - that's really not much. Of course, this also means that all lectures that are offered in presence must also be available digitally, because - let's take MAT2 as an example with around 600 listeners - those who can't (or don't want to) attend the lecture hall must also be able to participate in the lecture somehow...

- Due to the limited number of participants, **two separate enrolments** must be made for the respective courses - you can either register for participation in attendance or for the digital form. Participation in attendance is only permitted if you are also on the attendance list! I have asked the colleagues who will be offering such events not to activate the corresponding registrations until 13 March 21. And then - as usual in such cases - the first-come-first-served principle applies...
- Since one naturally needs to know where the corresponding Opal courses are for the topic "first-come-first-served" and in general for semester planning, we will publish the current **Opal course list** at the end of the coming week in the **Mechanical Engineering without Lecture Hall course** (<https://tud.link/gkjm>).

For those who will be tutoring this summer (maybe for the first time), I have a strong recommendation: **TutorING Hybrid - the tutoring course in Mechanical Engineering!** After some back and forth this week, the event can now take place after all and you can still enrol in the course at <https://tud.link/78xj>. The classroom sessions are limited to 40 participants, but we will of course be fully hybrid. Sure - how else... Basically: The course brings a lot and increases not only the success of your exercise group, but also your own fun in doing 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 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 we have often said, 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 way to exchange ideas 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](https://www.dresden.de), using your TUD mail address without exception (as opposed to the normal use of the Kummerkasten).

So much for now,
stay healthy!

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