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Dear students of the Faculty of Mechanical Engineering,

First of all, in this last Infomail before the start of the lecture period in the winter semester 2022/23, I would like to warmly welcome all those who are starting their studies here at the Faculty of Mechanical Engineering of the TU Dresden in the diploma, bachelor or postgraduate program this semester. All of us in the faculty wish you an all-around successful study, which is fun, takes place in presence and makes you first-class engineers!

So again, very warmly:

Welcome to mechanical engineering

and

a successful study!


In this context, I would like to point out once again that you should definitely use your TU mail address or redirect it to a mail address that you use frequently! This mail will be used for all current messages, this is the central communication channel around the studies, through which the examination office, but also I, will regularly report with important news. (if you are reading this mail now, you have done it right anyway - of course - keep it, and point it out to your fellow students as well).

And that brings us to the news and information that is important for the start of the semester next week:

- **In the Opal course *Teaching in Mechanical Engineering*** (<https://tud.link/4vkn>) the timetables are linked and the course list with all Opal courses has just been freshly updated. If you have not yet enrolled in this course, you should do so, because there you will find the overview of all current courses in Mechanical Engineering in each semester, combined with the direct links into the Opal courses.
- In addition, starting next week, there will be a new folder in this course where you will find current offers for project work, bachelor and diploma and master theses. In the medium term, this should become a faculty-wide information board for such work!

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marked. Parking spaces
in the courtyard

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<http://tu-dresden.de/mw>
*No access for
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- Then the **catalogs for the catalog modules** are online at <https://tud.link/ls74> and you should definitely check whether the subjects you want to take are in the respective catalogs. If they are not, be sure to remember to **apply for inclusion in the catalog by the deadline!**
- Two hints concerning the student management system SELMA: First, for those who have just started with us - **currently you do not need to register for any module in SELMA** (apart from the fact that this is not possible because there are no modules in it yet)! The course registration is done via the Opal courses - there you will get the documents and information about your courses. SELMA only becomes interesting when the examination period starts - the registration for examinations then happens in SELMA.
- And for all those who have been with us for a while and still know the HIS system: **Almost all of your data will now be transferred to SELMA in a timely manner.** This will happen step by step and you will receive an email from the examination office as soon as the transfer has taken place. So just wait and see - it will happen, even if it takes a while.
- One question that I'm sure is on the minds of many of you (and us teachers, too) concerns the way the lecture phase should proceed. Yesterday, we received a very clear statement from the Prorector of Education: **The semester runs in attendance!** Regardless of Covid and heating, everything should actually happen in normal attendance mode. Masks are recommended in the lecture halls and I attach scarves as a recommendation because the rooms are heated to 19°C and not above...
- Finally, an important innovation: with the project "**Teaching rooms as learning rooms**", starting this winter semester, rooms will be made available at the university where you can work during free periods between lectures. A really practical new idea. However, capacities are limited and you have to book your place in an Opal course at <https://tud.link/qitg>!

So much for now, enjoy the weekend and then I wish you a great start to a successful semester.

And as always, stay healthy (avoid the C as best you can, because 5 days of absence at the beginning of the semester is very impractical...)!

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