

Faculty of Mechanical Engineering

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Dear students of the Faculty of Mechanical Engineering,

the fifth week of the semester is over and so far the studies are going pretty well - as far as I can see. But there are a few points that I would like to briefly point out / inform you about:

- First of all: I kept the promise of communication from the last mail, a **short report about the first study committee meeting of the semester** can be found at <u>https://spoti.fi/3rM07Tf</u> or at <u>https://bit.ly/Studiendekan-On-AIR_castbox</u>.
- For VNT and WW students, the **transition to SELMA** will happen starting mid-November. This excludes those of you who are very close to graduation. All others will be informed by mail as soon as everything has happened.
- The **grade reports from the summer semester** are now almost all there only in a few cases it is still a bit stuck due to illness of responsible persons, but I hope that we will also come to the end in the next few days.
- With the completion of the grade reports, we have also reached the point at which we can invite students to counselling interviews again (after two years in which this did not make sense due to grade returns and deadlines). Automatically those are invited, with whom after one year a serious endangerment of study progress and study success is present. I strongly recommend that you attend these counselling sessions, which are always held by a member of staff from the Examinations Office / Student Advisory Service and a professor from the faculty. The experience is that we can usually help quite well to get things back on track. If you are in need of such a consultation, regardless of the indication mentioned above, please contact Ms. Herzog-Schaudick (ivonne.herzog-schaudick@tu-dresden.de) by 11.11.22. The talks will then take place in week 47.
- From 16.11.2022 to 30.11.22 there are **exam enrolments** for a few subjects in which special exam performances are available. This concerns: the test in Machine Elements, the preliminary examination in MW-MB-ET-01, the assignment in MW-MB-LRT-34 as well as the examination in Personality Psychology, which occurs in various catalogue modules.
- And then we started with the **revision of the PO2019**. We have received reports from all heads of study specialisations, colleagues from the undergraduate studies and the

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- In this context, there is one more piece of information that has probably already gone around to some extent the **Bachelor's programme WW** has lost its accreditation in the evaluation. For the time being, this has no significance for your current studies and we are working at full speed to remedy the points of criticism that led to the expiry of the accreditation and thus to restore the accreditation.
- Finally, a completely different but in my opinion very important point: We have **students, which had to flee from the madness of the war in Ukraine** at the faculty (also in the first semester). Naturally, they do not speak fluent German at the moment and therefore have great problems in finding connections in the seminar groups. At the same time, the integration into the ongoing operations and into the learning groups is infinitely important for many reasons. Therefore, I would like to ask you urgently to take care of those who have been hit hard enough by fate and whose worries about friends and relatives in Ukraine are unimaginable for us, to include them in the working groups. Please take a little care that those who are affected can arrive here with us and feel welcomed. Thank you!!!

So much for now, have a great weekend, get back to you if there's anything important, and until then, I wish you continued success in your studies.

Stay healthy

Stefan Odenbach