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Dear students of the Faculty of Mechanical Engineering,

the semester is in full swing, and today - in view of the weather - it deserves to be called "summer semester" for the first time. And at the end of the third week of the semester, a number of things have already happened that make an infomail worthwhile:

- The **Opal lists** have been updated once again and are located in our central course "Teaching in Mechanical Engineering" (<u>https://tud.link/4ozj</u>).
- The **catalog modules** have been agreed upon by the study committee and can be found on the pages of the examination office at <u>https://tud.link/g29f</u>.

This means that the study-related topics in the third week of the semester are almost over. But I still have one important topic, one that we have been referring to repeatedly in recent times: As faculty, we are responsible for checking **compliance with the rules of good scientific practice**, just as you are obliged to comply with them.

One topic in this context is plagiarism. In order to better prevent plagiarism, the faculty has purchased software that allows us to check written work. In order for this to work properly, the following procedure will apply from 01.06.23 for the submission of written work:

An unprotected PDF file for the **plagiarism check** must be submitted with the submission. This should contain the digital version of the thesis without attachment. Personalized data (cover sheet, assignment, affidavit, possible acknowledgements, etc.) are to be removed from this file. The **file should be named** according to the following scheme

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is to be used. In addition, a digital version of the thesis must still be submitted according to the requirements of the issuing professorship.

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Finally, four notes:

- In Selma there is now something new: grade reports...
- For explanation: a grade report is created if at least 10 participants were present at an exam performance and if there is a grade report there is a corresponding icon at the exam performance that then leads to the corresponding link. Please note that there are two kinds of grade reports: (a) the one that refers to the current exam (that is the one that refers really and only to the current exam; that is meaningful) and (b) the one that refers to the module, where all possible postponed and made-up exams are included - that is only informative to a limited extent...
- Prof. Buchmüller, who is currently a visiting professor at the faculty, is offering two courses this semester, which I would like to briefly mention here
 Was macht Technik erfolgreich? Von (Miss-)Erfolgsgeschichten, der
 Wissenschafts-, Technik- und Designforschung lernen. Mondays, 16:40-18:10 (https://tud.link/1qz9) and

Technik MACHT Verantwortung. Tuesdays 16:40-18:10 (https://tud.link/87lz)

- TUD is offering a session on ChatGPT on 04/26/2013 at 4:00PM in CHE0091/H (https://events.scads.ai/e/chatgpt).
- And last but not least, there is a survey aimed at those who want to change their course of study or (which I hope is not the case) drop out (<u>https://tud.link/nn69</u>). This is important information for us, as we want to know why someone might not want to continue with us!

That's it for today - the corresponding podcast will be online later at <u>https://spoti.fi/3rM07Tf</u> on Spotify and on Castbox via <u>https://bit.ly/Studiendekan-On-AIR_castbox.</u>

And now all a nice first sunny weekend of spring

Yours

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