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Principles for the organisation of the 2020/2021 winter semester

On 10th June 2020, the Senate passed the decision on the "Study regulations for the 2020/21 winter semester" (https://tu-dresden.de/tu-dresden/gesundheitsmanagement/ressourcen/dateien/corona/tud-dokumente-intern/resolution_of_senate_regulations_20_21_winter_semester.pdf). This decision is the basis for preparing the winter semester. In a nutshell: there should be as much on-site teaching as possible. At the same time, it should be ensured that teaching is as comprehensive as possible. As regards on-site teaching, the specific needs of students in their first semester should be given special consideration.

Based on the Saxon Corona Protection Decree of 14th July 2020 (https://www.coronavirus.sachsen.de/download/CoronaSchutzVerordnung_14-07-2020_EN.pdf), the University Executive Board expects that during on-site teaching, a minimum distance of 1.5 m between participants must be maintained. On this basis, Directorate 8 and Directorate 4 have determined the "corona room capacities" of the central teaching rooms. The list has already been made available to the faculties by email on 27th July 2020.

In order to implement the Senate's specifications, the courses must now be prioritised. To do so, the current and the future University Executive Board have agreed on the following stipulations.

The organisation of teaching should be based on the following principles:

1. As a rule, all lectures will take place online. There may be exceptions e.g. for lectures that will be held in front of a small number of students while being recorded.
2. In compliance with the established hygiene standards, in particular the distance of 1.50 m between participants, the teaching and learning rooms of the central teaching room pool will be scheduled with the following priorities:

Priority 1

- a) Seminars, practicals, tutorials, etc. for the 1st semester of undergraduate courses.
- b) Shared on-site teaching for online courses: To accompany online courses, on-site teaching may be organised in which teachers of at least three courses of comparable size share a room at a certain time slot. For timetable and room scheduling, this must be registered as a bundle of courses, which will then be treated as one course.

Priority 2 Seminars, practicals, tutorials, etc. for the 3rd semester of undergraduate courses.

Priority 3 Other courses.

The priorities are to be set by the Deans of Studies, and to be applied for in S-Plus by the officers responsible for the timetables.

3. Courses in teaching rooms that are managed decentrally will be scheduled in decentralised responsibility, while observing hygiene and distance requirements. These include in particular laboratory practicals, events in the rooms of the University Hospital, the IHI, and the Tharandt site.

4. For the scheduling of courses, time slots are generally allocated from Monday to Saturday. Those responsible for centralised and decentralised room and timetable scheduling will agree on whether two completely free days for students and lecturers can be arranged.
5. As regards the capacities of the individual central teaching rooms, the maximum number of seats already communicated to you applies.
6. The University Executive Board recommends that the prioritisation be coordinated at School level.



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