Information about your study organization in summer semester 2020

Dear students,

As you already know, due to the spread of the coronavirus, TU Dresden has switched to emergency operations on 21st March.

At present, TU Dresden is receiving numerous questions from students regarding the continuation of their studies in the 2020 summer semester. Please keep yourself informed using the website www.tu-dresden.de/corona, where the most important information is compiled and regularly updated.

Additionally, please also consult the website https://tu-dresden.de/studium/corona, which provides further information for students and lecturers.

There are some important and recurring questions that we would like to answer in this circular mail.

What do you have to consider now?

1) Submission of final theses
The submission of theses continues to be possible even during TU Dresden's emergency operations. Please contact your Examination Office if you are currently unable to submit your thesis in print. In many cases, it will be sufficient to submit the thesis as a digital file. For submissions, please also use TU Dresden's deadline mailbox, which is located between the buildings Tillich-Bau
and Hülsse-Bau and is emptied on a regular basis. If you anticipate that your thesis will be delayed due to the corona crisis (e.g. due to the closure of laboratories or the SLUB), please apply for an extension of the deadline with the responsible Examination Committee.

2) **How will outstanding examinations that require students to attend be conducted?**
For the time being, examinations that require students to come to the University can not be taken. For outstanding examinations that require you to come to the University, please contact your examiner. Given the current situation, the Examination Committees are permitted to allow examinations to be taken online.

3) **Registering for courses at the beginning of the semester**
There will be no courses in which students are expected to be present on the premises of TU Dresden until at least 4th May 2020. Until then, your faculty will offer alternative formats. Please keep yourself informed on your faculty’s website and make sure to register for the courses in Opal (https://bildungsportal.sachsen.de/opal) or selma (https://selma.tu-dresden.de), depending on which platform your faculty is using.

4) **Enrolment/Re-registration/Leave of absence**
Some students are facing particularly challenging situations due to the effects of the coronavirus, affecting the continuation of their studies at TU Dresden. Should you have any questions regarding enrolment, re-registration or leave of absence, please contact the ServiceCenterStudium (https://tu-dresden.de/studium/im-studium/beratung-und-service/servicecenterstudium), that will forward your request to the International Office.

5) **Financing your studies**
Students who, due to the corona crisis, find themselves in a financial emergency situation may contact the Studentenwerk Dresden [Student Union] (https://www.studentenwerk-dresden.de/soziales/notlagen.html) or TU Dresden’s Student Council (https://www.stura.tu-dresden.de/h%C3%A4rtefallantrag). Remuneration for student assistants shall continue to be paid in accordance with their contracts provided that they can be contacted by their supervisor.

6) **Support and assistance**
Students who wish to offer their help and support to the extent it is possible or who need help themselves are invited to contact the Student Council
7) **International students**
For international students, the current situation creates a lot of uncertainty, especially concerning the continuation of their studies or future studies at TU Dresden, as well as safe entry and return. Please send your enquiries to TU Dresden’s International Office ([https://tu-dresden.de/studium/vor-dem-studium/internationales](https://tu-dresden.de/studium/vor-dem-studium/internationales)).

8) **Closure of libraries/Borrowing of books**
Due to the libraries currently being closed, books can only be borrowed digitally. Please consult the SLUB website ([https://www.slub-dresden.de/service/startseite/](https://www.slub-dresden.de/service/startseite/)) to find out more about the extended digital media offer.

9) **Consultation and service**
The advisory and support services of TU Dresden, the Student Council, and the Studentenwerk continue to be available via email and in some cases by telephone. Please contact their respective websites for information on the current availability. An overview is available here: [https://tu-dresden.de/studium/im-studium/beratung-und-service](https://tu-dresden.de/studium/im-studium/beratung-und-service).

10) **Events on the campus**
There will be no events taking place on the campus until further notice.

Should you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact the ServiceCenterStudies (servicecenter.studium@tu-dresden.de, +49 351 463 42000).

We wish you all the best and please stay healthy.

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