Regulations for the 2020/21 winter semester

The Senate passed the following resolution in its session on 10th June 2020

Resolution:

1. The Senate states that joint teaching and learning on site at TU Dresden should be standard practice. The decision has been made to prepare the degree programmes offered by TU Dresden in the 2020/21 winter semester in continuation of the regulations in force at the end of the 2020 summer semester, initially for teaching in digital format, to be able to react appropriately to restrictions regarding on-site teaching if necessary.

2. The Senate takes note of the stipulations of the University Executive Board as of 2nd June 2020 regarding study regulations for the 2020/21 winter semester (Attachment). It approves of
   a. the stipulations of the Vice-Rector for Academic and International Affairs regarding the limitation of on-site teaching at TU Dresden during the corona pandemic for the 2020/21 winter semester in its current form.
   b. the stipulation that, if possible, the degree programmes and examinations offered to students in their first semester of study should be arranged in such a way that at least 30 credit points can be earned in the absence of attendance, if students are unable to attend the TU Dresden campus due to travel restrictions, as well as
   c. the determination to develop and offer formats, especially for those students of the first semesters who can be present on campus, that promote the start of their studies and their commitment to TU Dresden.

3. The University Executive Board and Senate will continuously analyse and re-evaluate the situation and, if necessary, discuss additional resolutions, such as an extension of the Senate's stipulations of 29th April.
Attachment: Wording of the resolution from the meeting of the University Executive Board of 2nd June 2020

8.230-6: Regulations for the 2020/2021 winter semester

1. The University Executive Board proposes to the Senate that TU Dresden’s degree programmes in the 2020/21 winter semester be prepared in digital form as a priority in continuation of the regulations for the 2020 summer semester.

2. The University Executive Board determines the following based on the decision of the Senate following section 1:
   a. The stipulations of the Vice-Rector for Academic and International Affairs regarding the limitation of on-site teaching at TU Dresden during the corona pandemic, valid from 4th May 2020, continue to apply for the 2020/21 winter semester.
   b. The degree programmes and examinations offered should provide the opportunity for students in their first semester to earn at least 30 credit points in non-attendance, especially for those students who are not able to attend the TU Dresden campus due to travel restrictions.
   c. The student marketing - especially concerning prospective students from abroad - starts immediately after a corresponding Senate decision to advertise for studying at TU Dresden with these regulations.
   d. To ensure the quality of digital teaching, support services are to be intensified.
   e. Additional tutor resources are to be made available to relieve the teaching staff.

3. The proposed draft submitted by the Vice-Rector for Academic and International Affairs to the Senate session was approved.

4. The Vice-Rector for Academic and International Affairs is instructed to seek coordination with the Faculties (in particular the Deans of Studies) on items 1, 2 a - d and, in consultation with them, to work towards appropriate decision-making in the decentralised Organisational Units.

5. The University Executive Board commissions Directorate 7 and the International Office to implement section 2c.

6. The University Executive Board commissions the Centre for Interdisciplinary Learning and Teaching and the Centre for Continuing Education/Cooperative Project “Teaching Practice in Transfer plus” to implement section 2d. In a first step, the rough planning of an offer and an estimate of the necessary resources must be drawn up and submitted to the Vice-Rector for Academic and International Affairs by 18th June 2020.

7. To implement point 2e, the University Executive Board commissions Directorate 8 to plan the costs until 18th June 2020.