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Summer Semester 2022: Key Points for the Delivery of Courses/Teaching

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The plan for academic teaching/courses in summer semester 2022 will build upon the model implemented in winter semester 2021/22. More uniformity in implementation is needed. Consistency is important. In the end, the number of exceptions affected the originally approved plan. More so in this coming semester than the winter semester, even in a difficult environment, in-person attendance is to be realised and considered a committed goal. Department-specific concerns are to be taken into account within this framework. Personal exceptions will definitely not be the norm.

Lectures

Lectures should be delivered in-person where ever possible. Currently, the number of participants is still limited due to the pandemic. When the situation eases, the number of participants can be increased. So those courses required to initially start in an online format can switch to in-person if the maximum number of participants is increased. For this reason, room bookings will be preserved for the time being.

- Lectures and lecture-like events with an expected number of participants of more than 60 will take place exclusively on-line. We recommend - also to avoid overlaps with classroom events - recording and making these lectures/events available for at least one week.
- Lectures with fewer than 60 participants can be held on-line or in-person, as determined by the respective lecturer. In the case of an online format, the recommendation for recording of lectures applies.
- The respective format must be specified in PORTA before the start of the lecture. This also applies to subsequent changes.

Seminars/Practical exercises

- All seminars and seminar-like events, including exercises, practicals, etc., must be attended in-person. The Presidential Board will review this attendance requirement together with the departments in order to ensure a high proportion of face-to-face teaching for students. Exceptions to this rule are not planned.

Dealing with restrictions on extracurricular events

- The restrictions resulting from the above guidelines also applies to extracurricular events. The framework conditions of the event (number of participants, room size, duration, etc.) are taken into account in each case in order to enable conferences, but also lecture series (Monday lectures) or similar events.

Examinations

- Examinations, particularly written examinations, can take place in sufficiently large rooms without limiting the number of people in attendance, since there are limited interactions in these cases and it is a one-time event.

The principle of “m assing has priority over distancing” remains.

- At Trier University, the principle of "mask over distance" continues to apply, as this is the only way to make efficient use of the available room capacities. Only in the event that the State of Rhineland-Palatinate repeals the requirement for masks in indoor areas will this principle be discontinued.