

Courses and Examinations in Winter Semester 2021/22: Information for students

Trier University regards the winter semester 2021/22 as a transition semester. Courses and examinations will again increasingly take place in person.

Our goal is to ensure that we avoid the spread of the coronavirus on campus. This guideline is intended to ensure the best possible health and safety measures and at the same time allow for a broad range of in-person activities on campus. Thank you in advance for your cooperation in making this possible

Masks when distance is not possible

The current regulations allow the university the possibility to use the lecture rooms again at their original capacity. This is the only way in which the interactive formats of seminars and examinations can be carried out. However, this is only possible if a mask requirement is implemented both in the course/event, examinations and also in the buildings - if the distance rules cannot be adhered to. For outdoor areas, the wearing of masks is currently recommended.

“3G” as Standard

In order to use the premises, we are actively implementing the “3G” regulation (proof of vaccination, proof of recovery or a negative test within the past 24 hours) for lecturers and students. This means that both teachers and students must prove their 3G status. Without proof of 3G status, participation in courses and examinations is not possible.

All course events and examinations in-person – except lectures

With the exception of lectures, all other course events (seminars, labs, group work etc.) and all examinations should take place in-person. Lectures will be online, in a digital format as this format is easiest to implement on a university wide basis. Additionally, this is intended to limit the number of people on campus and in public transport, as there is still only limited capacity in the cafeterias (Mensa), for example, due to the physical distance requirements. In order to avoid overlaps between in-person and online/digital teaching, the goal is to record lectures and make them available on demand. Lectures with a manageable number of participants, including seminar and practical components with interaction, dialogue and discussion, may (as an exception) also take place on campus. Please pay particular attention in PORTA to the corresponding notes that identify the format in which the course will be delivered. Additional meeting and study rooms are available.

Contact tracing

For contact tracing purposes, participants in all examinations and course events are documented in order to provide the data to the public health authorities on request.

These measures are an important component in achieving the goal of preventing the spread of the virus. In order for the measures to be effective, we depend on your assistance before, during and after course events and examinations. Therefore, in your own interest, please comply with the following measures on **mask requirements or respectively, physical distance measures, 3G rules and contact tracing**, so that we can conduct course events and examinations safely, ensuring the transition to in-person teaching is successful.

Mandatory mask requirements or physical distance measures

- On campus, it is mandatory to wear a surgical or FFP2 mask in the buildings. This applies to entering / leaving the buildings as well as in the event and examination rooms for the entire duration of the event or examination!
- The obligation to wear a mask in examinations or events does not apply to the respective lecturer, or in the case of a presentation, the presenter.
- For outdoor areas, there is a mask requirement if people are meeting in a confined space for a period of time that is not just in passing.
- Surgical/FFP2 masks are not provided by the university, you must provide them yourself. Without the appropriate mask, you are not allowed to enter university buildings and it is not possible to take the examination or attend the course/event in-person.
- On campus you can buy an appropriate mask at the following places: Campus I, Cafeteria / Mensa, Mon.-Fri., 8:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. as well as at the Studierendenwerk vending machines in the Forum Audimax, A/B building and on Campus II in the Mensa Petrisberg.

3G Rules

- Lecturers have the right and are requested to check the 3G rules in their lectures/events and examinations. Students as well as lecturers who do not comply with the 3G rules will not be able to participate in course events or exams and will have to leave the event. Therefore, please have the appropriate 3G proof (including your student ID card) ready to show.
- **Please be aware for Examinations:** Participation in examinations - with the exception of oral examinations via video conference – is now only possible with 3G proof. If you are unable to provide 3G proof and have not withdrawn from the examination by the deadline to withdraw, you will have been deemed to have failed the examination because you did not appear for it.

Contact tracing

- Lecturers must ensure contact tracing. The attendance list can be used for this purpose or the possibility of using a QR code. The lecturer will let you know which option they will use. It is important that your data in PORTA is complete and up-to-date, especially your telephone number. Please check your data in PORTA and update it accordingly.