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'Rahmenrichtlinie für den Lehr- und Prüfungsbetrieb im Wintersemester 2021/22 vom 22.09.2021 gültig ab
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Directive on teaching and examination regulations for the winter semester 2021/2022 - approved September 22, 2021; effective from October 1, 2021

Regulations affecting teaching for the winter semester 2021/22

- In compliance with the Directive of the Saxony-Anhalt State Ministry of Economy, Science and Digitalisation dated August 5, 2021, the teaching period of the winter semester 2021/22 at Anhalt University of Applied Sciences will commence as scheduled on October 4, 2021. Until further notice, courses will be conducted as on-campus/in-person classes. This does not apply to courses in English-taught master's degree programs. As a rule, courses in these degree programs are offered as online and/or hybrid courses. The decision concerning the type of instruction applied in the English-taught master-level programs will be made by the respective department.
- In the event of a deterioration of the coronavirus pandemic situation, the university management shall make amendments to this directive.
- Changes affecting university operations ordered by a public health authority (*Gesundheitsamt*) or the responsible Saxony-Anhalt state ministry will be announced by the university management.

General regulations for on-campus courses / events

1. Attending classes and examinations at Anhalt University requires one of the following:
 - a. written or electronic proof of **full vaccination protection** against the SARS-CoV-2 (coronavirus). People are considered fully vaccinated against the SARS-CoV-2 (coronavirus) 14 days after receiving their last shot required for a complete vaccination schedule as recommended by the Standing Committee on Vaccination (STIKO) at the Robert Koch Institute, **or**
when possessing an official verification for international students, issued by the International Office of Anhalt University of Applied Sciences, stating that they have been fully vaccinated against the SARS-CoV-2 (coronavirus) in their home country, **or**
 - b. upon presentation of proof of **having recovered from** a SARS-CoV-2 (coronavirus) infection. Evidence of recovery requires a positive PCR test for the SARS-CoV-2 (coronavirus), which was carried out at least 1 month but no longer than 6 months before the event/class, **or**
 - c. providing proof of a **negative test result** for the SARS-CoV-2 (coronavirus).
2. The following tests are accepted: A written or electronic certificate proving a laboratory diagnosis using nucleic acid detection (PCR, PoC-PCR or other methods of nucleic acid amplification technique), or a written or electronic certificate of a PoC-antigen test (rapid test) carried out no more than **48 hours** prior to the event/class.

Between October 4 and 22, 2021, interested persons may be tested for the SARS-CoV-2 (coronavirus) on Anhalt University's campuses. Tests will be carried out by external providers. **These test opportunities will be offered at Anhalt University's discretion and no longer than October 22, 2021.** Interested persons have the opportunity to get vaccinated against the SARS-CoV-2 (coronavirus) in Bernburg, Köthen or Dessau. This offer ends on October 7, 2021; however, may be extended. For further information see (German only) <https://www.hs-anhalt.de/hochschule-anhalt/aktuelles/hinweise-coronavirus/hinweise-studiencodevirus-fuer->

3. Anhalt University's teaching staff are entitled - randomly and without cause - to insist students show their proof of vaccination/recovery/negative test result. In addition, the dean, the head of the respective division or his/her appointed representative, as well as Anhalt University's president, are entitled to - randomly and without cause - insist students and teaching staff show their proof of vaccination/recovery/negative test result during classes. Violations of the obligation to provide proof or false information will be considered a violation of house rules and may result in being banned from the premises.
4. It is compulsory to wear a medical mouth and nose covering (MNB) in all university buildings. The medical mouth and nose covering required must be a multi-layer disposable mask (specifically a medical face mask according to the European standard EN 14683:2019-10 or a comparable product - commercially referred to as a surgical mask / *OP-Maske*, disposable mask / *Einwegmaske* or disposable protective mask / *Einwegschutzmaske*) or a particle-filtering half mask (in particular an FFP1, FFP2 or FFP3 mask). Persons with a medical certificate are exempt from wearing a medical mouth and nose covering (MNB). Such persons are required to carry their medical certificate at all times. Anhalt University is entitled to request a medical examination regarding the exemption from wearing a medical mouth and nose covering (MNB). This examination will be carried out by Anhalt University's own medical officer.

After taking their seat in a classroom, persons may be exempted from wearing an MNB if

- a. a continuous minimum distance of 1.5 meters to other persons is ensured, **or**
- b. all participants meet the criteria set out in sections 1.a. (full vaccination protection) or 1.b. (recovery), **or**
- c. teaching takes place in groups with no change of participants over the duration of the winter semester 2021/2022. This applies in particular to classes at the *Studienkolleg*.

In all cases, the teaching staff determine whether participants may be exempted from wearing an MNB.

5. Students and staff are required to record the rooms they use for professional purposes on university premises by scanning the room-related QR code when entering the room. This QR code can be found at the doors/entrances of the classrooms or lecture halls (printed on A4-sized pieces of paper). The software requires each participant to confirm that they meet the criteria under sections 1. a.-c. above and agree to the data protection provisions. Verification of confirmation will be stored for 4 weeks following the event/class to allow for contact tracing.

6. Anyone displaying the typical symptoms of the SARS-CoV-2 infection (fever, cough, shortness of breath) is not permitted to enter any university facilities or take part in any university events/courses.
7. After entering a university building, wash / disinfect your hands thoroughly. Wash your hands several times a day (at least for 30 seconds with soap and water – read the notices).
8. Maintain appropriate cough and sneeze etiquette. During personal contact, avoid any physical contact (e.g. shaking hands). Hands should be kept away from the face.

Using the University Library

The University Library will only be open to students and staff on all campuses.

Admission to other events

This includes all events that are not part of the teaching curriculum, e. g. university events such as the *Tag der Lehre*, *Tag der Forschung*, *feierliche Immatrikulation*, etc. and events open to external participants such as events of the Senior Citizens' College (*Seniorenkolleg*) or continuing education events, etc.

Participation in these events requires either full vaccination protection or recovery (German: 2G concept) (cf. section 1.a. and 1.b. above).