

Teaching and examinations regulations for the summer semester 2021. Valid from April 28, 2021

General regulations for on-campus events

1. It is compulsory to wear a medical mask covering mouth and nose (MNB) in all university buildings. The wearing of a facemask also applies to lectures and examinations. In classrooms, only the designated seats (marked by a green dot) may be used. In all university buildings a minimum distance of 1.5 m is to be maintained. If anyone is exempt from wearing a facemask, he/she must carry a medical certificate stating that for medical reasons he or she is exempt.
2. Anyone who has been in contact - within the last 14 days - with another person confirmed to be infected with the SARS-CoV-2 virus is not permitted on university premises, unless they can prove that they are not infected by presenting a medical certificate stating a negative corona test result.
3. Anyone displaying the typical symptoms of the SARS-CoV-2 virus (fever, cough, shortness of breath) is not permitted to enter any university facilities or take part in any university events/courses.
4. 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).
5. 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.
6. 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).

Summer semester 2021: Regulations affecting teaching

- Summer semester 2021 started as scheduled on April 6, 2021. Classes are currently being held in online, in hybrid (simultaneously online and in-person) or in on-campus (in-person) mode, according to the levels described below.
- Teaching activities and examinations that cannot be conducted digitally can continue to be conducted face-to-face at all levels given that applicable infection control measures are maintained.
- The summer semester regulations also provide for the possibility of running more face-to-face events, depending on the development of the pandemic situation over the course of the coming months. In addition, the departments set their own priorities concerning a potential transition to face-to-face teaching activities. This process will take into account the extent to which degree programs have been affected by Covid19-related restrictions, the specific requirements of degree programs and the specific circumstances at the campuses.
- In the event of a temporary complete closure ordered by the relevant Public Health Office (*Gesundheitsamt*) or the Saxony-Anhalt Ministry of Economics, Science and Digitization, courses may only be held online.
- The university management determines and announces the valid level for the respective campuses of Anhalt University.

Level 4 - The 7-day incidence in Bernburg/Köthen/Dessau is higher than 165 for 3 consecutive days

Departments

- All courses and examinations are to be held as online courses.
- Excluded from this regulation are mandatory courses of practical and artistic nature, including practical work, projects and final theses in laboratories or similar facilities such as workshops and computer pools as well as examinations which cannot be conducted digitally.
- For on-campus examinations, the number of participants is limited to a maximum of 25 students plus invigilators per room. Regardless of this, the maximum number of persons per room - as specified in the room lists - shall not be exceeded.
- For all other in-person events as specified above, the maximum number of participants per room is 10 students plus teaching staff. The maximum number of persons as specified in the room lists shall not be exceeded.
- Outdoor classes may be held in groups of up to a maximum of 15 people plus teaching staff. The applicable regulations are laid out in the current versions of the Containment Ordinance (*Eindämmungsverordnung*) of the Saxony-Anhalt state government, as well as in the Infection Protection Act (*Infektionsschutzgesetz*).
- Participation in the above-mentioned activities requires the submission of a negative SARS-CoV-2 test result from a test performed within 48 hours prior to the start of the activity. The following test results are accepted: certified results carried out in medical facilities, pharmacies, public test centers (*Bürger-testzentren*) or confirmed self-tests, which were carried out under supervision at Anhalt University of Applied Sciences.
- Excursions cannot take place.

Studienkolleg

- All courses and examinations are to be held as online courses.
- Exceptions to this are final-year classes and examinations which cannot be conducted digitally.
- Final-year classes are taught in hybrid mode or an alternate mode of independent study and on-campus teaching (*Wechselunterricht*). For on-campus classes, group sizes are limited to a maximum of 15 people plus teaching staff per group.
- Participation in the above-mentioned activities requires the submission of proof of a negative SARS-CoV-2 test result from a test performed within 48 hours prior to the start of the activity. Students and teaching staff are to be tested twice a week for the coronavirus SARS-CoV-2. Tests will be supervised and carried out on the premises of Anhalt University of Applied Sciences. Alternatively, certified examinations and subsequent test results carried out and issued at medical facilities, pharmacies and public test centers (*Bürger-testzentren*) will also be accepted.

Level 3 - The 7-day incidence in Bernburg/Köthen/Dessau is higher than 100 for 3 consecutive days or below 165 for seven consecutive days

Departments

- All courses and examinations are to be held as online courses.
- Excluded from this regulation are mandatory courses of practical and artistic nature, including practical work, projects and final theses in laboratories or similar facilities such as workshops and computer pools as well as examinations which cannot be conducted digitally.
- For on-campus examinations, the number of participants is limited to a maximum of 25 students plus invigilators per room. Regardless of this, the maximum number of persons per room - as specified in the room lists - shall not be exceeded.
- For all other in-person activities as specified above, the maximum number of participants per room is 10 students plus teaching staff. The maximum number of persons as specified in the room lists shall not be exceeded.
- Outdoor classes may be held in groups of up to a maximum of 15 people plus teaching staff. The applicable regulations are laid out in the current versions of the Containment Ordinance (*Eindämmungsverordnung*) of the Saxony-Anhalt state government.
- Participation in the above-mentioned activities requires the submission of a proof of a negative SARS-CoV-2 test result from a test performed within 48 hours prior to the start of the activity. The following test results are accepted: certified results carried out in medical facilities, pharmacies, public test centers (*Bürgertestzentren*) or confirmed self-tests, which were carried out under supervision at Anhalt University of Applied Sciences.
- Excursions cannot take place.

Studienkolleg

- Classes are to be taught in hybrid mode or an alternate mode of independent study and on-campus teaching (*Wechselunterricht*). For on-campus classes, group sizes will be limited to a maximum of 15 people plus teaching staff per group.
- Participation in the above-mentioned activities requires the submission of proof of a negative SARS-CoV-2 test result from a test performed within 48 hours prior to the start of the activity. Students and teaching staff are to be tested twice a week for the coronavirus SARS-CoV-2. Tests will be supervised and carried out on the premises of Anhalt University of Applied Sciences. Alternatively, certified examinations and subsequent test results carried out and issued at medical facilities, pharmacies and public test centers (*Bürgertestzentren*) will also be accepted.

Level 2 - The 7-day incidence in Bernburg/Köthen/Dessau is under 100 for at least seven days

- Lectures and seminars at the respective campus may be held in hybrid mode. Decisions will be taken at department level. The hybrid mode is intended to provide the best possible support for students who are unable to attend on-campus classes.
- The maximum number of persons per room is listed in the room lists. This number may not be exceeded.
- Outdoor classes may be held in groups of up to a maximum of 15 people plus teaching staff. The applicable regulations are laid out in the current versions of the Containment Ordinance (*Eindämmungsverordnung*) of the Saxony-Anhalt state government.
- At the *Studienkolleg*, classes are to be held in fixed groups of up to 25 students.

Level 1 - The 7-day incidence in Bernburg/Köthen/Dessau is below 50 for at least seven days

- Lectures and seminars at the respective campus will be held in either on-campus, hybrid or online mode.
- The maximum number of persons per room is listed in the room lists. This number may not be exceeded.
- At the *Studienkolleg*, classes are to be held in fixed groups of up to 25 students.

Using the University Library

- From May 10, 2021, the University Library will be open to students and staff on all campuses.
- Opening hours: Mon - Thurs 9:30 - 15:00, Fri 9:30 - 13:00.
- Using the facilities at the University Library requires prior registration by e-mail, telephone or online booking.
- A maximum of number of 20 people may use the library at the same time (individual work at designated places).
- Users need to register using a QR code in the respective entrance area.
- The libraries are only open to students and staff of Anhalt University.
- Using the University Library requires the submission of proof of a negative SARS-CoV-2 test result from a test performed within 48 hours prior to the start of the activity. Alternatively, certified examinations and subsequent test results carried out and issued at medical facilities, pharmacies and public test centers (*Bürger-testzentren*) as well as tests supervised and carried out on the premises of Anhalt University of Applied Sciences will also be accepted.

Should the pandemic situation improve over the course of the summer semester, the university management, in conjunction with the heads of the departments, will explore options for introducing more face-to-face events in teaching and learning settings. The departments will keep students informed as to which courses and examinations may be moved to on-campus mode.