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Teaching in the Winter Term 2020/21

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Semester dates

- Winter term 2020:
  - Courses start on **November 2** (postponed)
  - Courses end on **February 5** (as originally planned)

→ **Reduced length** of winter term

→ Lecturers should **take this into account**
Teaching modalities I

- All courses carried out **online**
- Full range of courses: **no reduction** compared with regular terms
  - All courses can be found in the LSF: [https://www.lsf.uni-saarland.de/](https://www.lsf.uni-saarland.de/)
  - Many courses will be presented later on
Teaching modalities II

- Different courses adopt different teaching styles and platforms
  - “Live” online lectures, recorded lectures + lecture notes,
    online tutorials, online office hours, forums, chat rooms, etc.
  - Platforms: Zoom, Microsoft Teams, BigBlueButton, RocketChat …
  - Individual course websites provide more details
International students

- Physical presence on campus will **not** be required prior to exams
- Commitment of lecturers to **enable online participation throughout the term**
Exam dates

Feb. 8 and later  
End-of-term and re-exams for the winter term

Exceptions are possible where there are good reasons for that, e.g. midterms in basic courses

Detailed information on the respective course websites
Exams and exam inspections

- Written exams on campus are possible (as in the summer term)
  - Sufficient space will be provided and hygiene measures will be adopted
  - Social distancing rules apply
  - Participants are strongly requested to wear face masks
- Online oral exams are also possible

Exam inspections:
- Same rules as for written exams
Contact persons I

- Study coordinators:
  **Dr. Tanja Breinig** and **Barbara Schulz-Brünken**

- Assistance regarding
  - study organization and progress,
  - questions about the examination and study regulations,
  - academic or personal problems,
  - information about exchange semesters, etc.

- Consultation by email ([studium@cs.uni-saarland.de](mailto:studium@cs.uni-saarland.de)) or telephone
Contact persons II

- Examination office:
  - Administration and processing of your achievements: transcript of records, registration of theses, official certificates, recognition of external academic achievements

- SIC System Administration:
  - Accounts, Nextcloud, seminar system, etc.
  - [https://it.cs.uni-saarland.de/](https://it.cs.uni-saarland.de/)
Further information
Corona-FAQ of Saarland Informatics Campus
https://saarland-informatics-campus.de/en/corona/

Welcome at the Saarland Informatics Campus

Status: 23.10.2020

On November 2nd, lectures for the winter semester 2020/2021 will start at Saarland University and will again be largely digital. In order to make planning easier for our students, we will organize the lectures and exercises in such a way that our courses of study can be studied completely online. This also applies to the lectures for which classroom exercises are offered. There will also be online exercise groups for this purpose. Further information can be found on the websites of the respective chairs. Only the exams at the end of the lecture period require the presence of our students in any case, since written exams are held in presence.
Questions and Answers