Corona Virus Update | Current Information E-Mail to Students of Osnabrück University of Applied Sciences, Friday April 30th 2020

Dear Students,

today, just before the first of several extended weekends in the month of may, we would like to send you important information on the procedures regarding practical classes and the partial re-opening of the university library.

Conditions for lab internships and lab projects during the summer semester 2020 starting on May 11th, 2020:

Due to the corona virus situation, we have successfully switched our classes to online mode. At the same time, practical classes have been strongly restricted or even impossible to be held. On April 15th, the federal government in coordination with the state governments, has announced a very careful loosening of the imposed contact restrictions. According to our estimation, further loosenings will follow. These will enable us and the other universities to resume practical face-to-face classes under the condition of strict hygienic regulations and if they require us to use specific labs and workspaces. In order to do so, we have agreed to continue with the scenario of “Learning and Teaching with restricted face-to-face classes” (published on April 8th 2020). General and binding rules and hygienic regulations have been devised that will be effective immediately in all out faculties as well as in the Institute of Music. They will be complemented by advice and recommendations that might be helpful for effective and safe operations.

Please find these rules and recommendations on the intranet:  https://bit.ly/3bUHC5p

In addition, the hygienic regulations can be found on our corona website: https://bit.ly/3f7I9Dd

Students of the Institute of Music will find rules and regulations regarding instrumental and vocal classes here: https://bit.ly/3aVxwQq
And in addition, there are special hygienic regulations: https://bit.ly/2WbCmDY

Partial re-opening of the university library

All branches of the university library will re-open on Monday, May 4th, 2020. Hygienic regulations must be obeyed. The new opening hours will be Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m..

In addition, the following rules apply:

- The different branches of the library may only be entered in compliance with hygienic regulations. Each person entering a library building must wear a protective mouth-nose-mask.
- The total number of persons allowed in the library building is restricted. In order to allow the highest number of students, teachers and staff possible to make use of the library services, the duration of stay in the library is limited to 30 minutes. Therefore, please prepare for a wait. Before entering the library you must have already done your research on which books you would like to loan online.
- Users of the library on the Westerberg Campus can only enter the library through the Southern entrance (facing the Mensa). The entrance will be controlled by security personnel. On the Lingen Campus, the library can only be entered through the Eastern entrance (Mensa).
- Apart from returning and loaning books and other media, you can copy, scan, and print. Any further opportunities cannot be offered until a later point of time.

Please find any changes on the website: https://www.bib.hs-osnabrueck.de (website in German)
Please remember these rules which have been communicated earlier:

- Practical classes and exams will take place until July 18th, 2020.
- From May 11th onwards, protective masks must be worn on campus. This rule is valid as an addition to the obligation to keep a distance of at least 1.5 meters to any other person.
- Only patients with a written prescription can obtain treatment at the INAPO (physiotherapy and osteopathy). You will find information on how to make an appointment here: https://www.inapo-osnabrueck.de/
- You will find important information in compact form on the corona virus situation as well as the situation at Osnabrück University of Applied Sciences and all newsletters here: https://www.hs-osnabrueck.de/en/corona/

Have a wonderful and healthy 1st of May weekend!

Your University Steering Committee