Corona Virus Update | Info-Mail to Students of Osnabrück University of Applied Sciences, Wednesday, March 25th 2020

Dear students,

yesterday, our Vice-President for Study and Teaching, Prof. Schmehmann, together with the Communications Department, has conducted a video meeting with roundabout 30 students who are active in the self-administration bodies of the university as well as the student community. For about one hour, we answered their questions and recorded those that we couldn't answer immediately. Thank you very much to these student representatives for their commitment! We will continue to have such a direct exchange with them on a weekly basis through the corona crisis.

Today's Topics:

eLearning for Students

The eLearning Competence Center (eLCC) has created a website named "E-Tools for Students": https://www.hs-osnabrueck.de/de/elearning-competence-center/etools-fuer-studierende/ (website only available in German)

Refund of semester fees when graduating

What happens if students need to extend their studies by one semester due to the corona crisis? Will they be able to receive a refund of their semester fees? Here is the official answer:

According to § 9a of the matriculation regulation of Osnabrück Universityof Applied Sciences, the semester fee for the summer semester 2020 will be refunded if graduation takes place within one month after the beginning of the lecture period (before April 1st, 2020). The colloquium is supposed to take place within 6 weeks after handing in the thesis (§9, sentence 5 of the overall part of the exam regulations of the university). If the colloquium cannot be realized within the indicated 6 weeks due to the current situation and without the culpability of the student, the semester fee will be refunded even if the colloquium takes place later than within the stipulated period of time. In these cases, the colloquium should take place as soon as possible. If the colloquium is the last needed academic achievement and takes place after April 1st and within the 6-weeks' time, the semester fee will not be refunded.

Printing of bachelor or master theses

The printing store "Prindi", located on the Westerberg Campus of Osnabrück University of Applied Sciences, offers online services so that theses can still be printed there. For further information, please see http://prindi.de/ (website only available in German).

FAQs on exams and matriculation matters

The Office of the University Registrar offers up to date information in the OSCA-Portal on exams and matriculation matters: https://osca.hs-

<u>osnabrueck.de/Infothek_Pics/Wikibereich/Studium%20und%20Lehre%20%C2%B0/01%20Studierendensekretariat/00%20Corona%20-%20FAQ%20Pr%C3%BCfungs-</u>

<u>%20und%20Immatrikulationsangelegenheiten/FAQ%20Studierendensekretariat%20Stand%2024.03.</u> <u>2020.pdf</u> (only available in German)

And one more suggestion:

Have a look at what our social media team is producing from their home offices:

https://www.facebook.com/hs.osnabrueck

https://www.instagram.com/hs osnabrueck/

New coffee mugs are available for all members of the university in the online campus store: www.campusstore-hs-osnabrueck.de

To end the week, we'll be back with another information e-mail on Friday! May you stay at good health until then!

Your University Steering Committee