

Corona Virus Update | Current Information E-Mail to Students of Osnabrück University of Applied Sciences, Friday, May 8th 2020

Dear Students,

we hope you enjoyed the sunny week as much as possible! Different aspects of life are being re-opened step by step but at different speed. Surely, this has surprised us all here and there.

Our university will not participate in a kind of race back to normalcy. Summer semester 2020, at our university, is an online semester! Starting Monday, May 11th, 2020, a few practical classes will begin to take place on campus. In the weeks to come, further classes might follow and we intend to hold exams under strict hygienic rules. We will, of course, keep an eye on the developments around the pandemic.

Summer Semester 2020: Face-to-Face Exams and Framing Conditions

Starting on May 11th, 2020, exams can be held on campus if strict hygienic rules are abided by. This is true for oral as well as written exams. Osnabrück University of Applied Sciences intends to uphold the contact restrictions throughout the semester, and to hold all exams for the summer semester 2020 as planned. All faculties have published preliminary exam schedules for June 13th through July 18th this week. The final schedule will be devised after exam registration closes (as usual!). It will be published towards the end of May. Please find complete information in German language on the intranet:

[Rahmenbedingungen und Hygienevorschriften für Präsenzprüfungen finden Sie im OSCA-Portal.](#)

Protective Face Masks

In our previous newsletter, we informed you that starting on May 11th, 2020, protective face masks must be worn in all university buildings. In addition, make sure you keep a distance of 1.5 meters to your fellow students and all other members of the university. And very important also:

- If you cannot keep a distance of 1.5 meters, make sure under all circumstances that you wear a mask.
- Wear your mask in all waiting areas that are located outside the buildings (e.g. in front of the library entrance, etc.).
- If you are walking on campus and outside the buildings (e.g. large space in front of the mensa, Haste Campus, parking areas), it is not necessary to wear a mask.
- If you are working outside the buildings (e.g. on the university farmlands and in comparable settings), it is not necessary to wear a mask.

This information will be updated regularly on the Corona Virus website of the university:

<https://www.hs-osnabrueck.de/corona/>

Mensa Westerberg

Starting on Monday, May 11th, 2020, there will be MENSA TO GO on the Westerberg Campus. Students and employees of the university can order food with the new app SWOSY which is available in the google playstore and on the website of the Student Service Center:

<https://www.studentenwerk-osnabrueck.de/de/essen/speiseplaene/speiseplan-apps.html>

If you would like to order a meal for Monday, your order needs to be processed by midnight on Sunday. Apart from your food order, you also have to determine the time when you pick up your food. Food can be picked up between 11:40 a.m. and 2:10 p.m.. In order to keep your distance to others, a maximum of ten customers can be served every ten minutes. There will be signs to guide you through the building. Make sure you wear your face mask when picking up your food! For further information please go to this website (in German): <https://www.studentenwerk-osnabrueck.de/de/nachrichten/artikel-details.html>

And last but not least, we would like to introduce you to one of our students who are currently on their semester abroad! Elias Fischer who is a musical student at our Institute of Music, currently lives in San Francisco in the United States. In our Takeover-Story on Instagram he takes you on a tour of the city in the middle of the corona pandemic and talks about his situation. He gives you an interesting insight into the life of our students who are currently on an exchange abroad:

<https://www.instagram.com/stories/highlights/18105621562190005/>

We wish you all a wonderful new week,

Your University Steering Committee