

## Corona Virus Update | Current Information Email to Students of Osnabrück University of Applied Sciences, Friday, February 11<sup>th</sup> 2022

Dear Students,

the exam period of winter semester is coming to an end. Thanks to all of you acting responsibly, it has worked out very well. We would like to thank you for your cooperation!

Today, we would like to have a first outlook on summer semester 2022:

### **Outlook on Summer Semester 2022**

Based on the current COVID-19 ordinance of our state of Lower Saxony, the universities will be allowed to teach on campus and with full capacity. This means that the lecture halls and seminar rooms can be used with their normal capacities, if the university has a valid system of hygienic rules that ensures that only persons who have been fully vaccinated, fully recovered or who have tested negatively (=3G) can access the buildings, especially the lectures and seminars. Due to the currently very high numbers of infections, the university has decided to restrict classes until February 25<sup>th</sup> and only allow those classes to take place that cannot be offered online (e.g. art classes, lab classes).

**Starting on February 28<sup>th</sup> 2022, our classes and events will return to campus. This includes the study orientation weeks for first semester students. Depending on current developments at the beginning of March 2022, the university might have to restrict this policy once again until the Easter break in April for students and classes of the higher semesters. Should this measure become necessary, we will inform you on time.**

**Here is an overview of study and teaching conditions from the start of summer semester 2022 until Easter:**

**Rooms Capacities:** all rooms may be used with their full capacities.

**Hygienic Regulations:** All hygienic rules will be upheld until further notice. This means that in all buildings and rooms, hygienic masks covering the mouth and nose must be worn at all times (obligation to wear an FFP-2 mask). During lectures, lecturers may take off their masks. While on campus, you must keep a distance of at least 1.5 meters to all other persons. Always depending on the general pandemic situation, these measures will be adapted throughout the summer semester.

**Entry Controls:** The university buildings may only be entered with a valid proof of compliance with 3G-rules (3G = fully vaccinated, fully recovered, tested negatively). Persons who have not been vaccinated not recovered from an infection will always need a negative test result to enter (PoC antigen test no older than 24 hours, PCR test no older than 48 hours). **Please note: the 2G status that you have uploaded into the CoRe App, is only valid until February 28<sup>th</sup> 2022.** Persons who are fully vaccinated or fully recovered should therefore renew their status as soon as possible (and before February 28<sup>th</sup>) under <https://core.hs-osnabrueck.de>. Until March 13<sup>th</sup> 2022, if you enter university buildings, your status will be checked by the respective organizer (and by security staff at the entrances to the hall in Lingen).

Starting on March 14<sup>th</sup> 2022, the entrances to all buildings with larger lecture halls will be controlled by external security staff. If you are attending a class in a building without entrance controls, your lecturers have the right to ask you for 3G-proof. [To find out how you can upload or renew your 3G-status on the university's intranet, please click here](#) (in German).

**Registration in Class:** All students are obligated to register in class through the university's corona app. This is also true for all labs, project and study rooms as well as self-study zones.

## **Library**

Starting on February 28th 2022 the library will return to longer opening hours during the lecture period:

Library Campus Westerberg:

Mo - Fr: 9 a.m. – 10 p.m. (full service until 7 p.m.)

Sa: 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Library Campus Haste:

Mo - Fr: 9 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Sa: 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Library Campus Lingen:

Mo - Fr: 8 a.m. – 8 p.m. (full service from 9 a.m.)

Sa: 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

In addition, from February 28<sup>th</sup> onwards, group carrels for group study will be re-opened, however with hygienic rules and with reduced capacity (depending on the size of the room for up to 3 persons).

[For further information, please consult the library website.](#)

If you have questions, comments or advice that is helpful for all of use, please send them to [kommunikation@hs-osnabrueck.de](mailto:kommunikation@hs-osnabrueck.de).

Our colleagues in the Department of University Communications will forward them to those in charge.

Yours cordially,  
the University Steering Committee