

Universität Marburg

School of Business and Economics NEWSLETTER OF THE DEAN OF STUDIES IN THE WINTER TERM 2021/22

Dear Students,

With this **newsletter** we would like to inform you regularly, i.e., once per semester, about **changes** in the implementation of **courses** that are **foreseeable** in the **medium term**, and thus make it easier for you to plan your own studies. In addition, we would like to inform you about the further plans for teaching in this summer and in the coming winter semester. We look forward to your suggestions and questions about this newsletter.

I. Online and face-to-face teaching in the winter and upcoming summer semester

According to the currently valid legal ordinance of the State of Hesse, face-to-face events at universities are still possible after Christmas - provided that certain conditions are met. The position of the university is to hold all courses that were announced in attendance at the beginning of the semester, with unchanged rules, in attendance as far as possible. Whether and how events can take place in attendance is based on the rules of the State of Hesse and the rules of the university based on them - which aim to balance the justified individual protection needs and the justified needs for education and personal contact.

In addition, planning for the summer semester **begins**. The university is currently assuming that the summer semester will take place as a regular attendance semester. In view of the current pandemic situation, it is of course not completely certain whether this planning can be implemented and which other pandemic-related regulations (e.g., mask requirements) will apply.

In preparation for the summer semester, we welcome your **notes** and your **feedback** with the previous course of the classroom and online teaching and improvement - potentials. Please address this information to the Dean of Studies. The information from the University of Marburg on the corona situation can still be found here: <u>www.uni-marburg.de/corona</u>, that of the Department of Economics here: <u>www.uni-marburg.de/de/fb02/corona-fb02</u>.

II. Deviations in courses

Variations in the implementation of events resulting from **research semesters** and from the **departure or the new addition of professors.** The following changes within the next 12 months are already foreseeable today:

(1) Upcoming research semesters

Prof. Dr. Karlheinz Fleischer (summer semester 2022)

- The event "Descriptive Statistics" is offered by Ms. Prysyazhna.
- All other events do not take place.
- The events of Dr. Schild, however, take place regularly.

Prof. Dr. Tim Friehe (summer semester 2022)

• The research group does not offer modules in the summer semester.

Prof. Dr. Mohammad Farzanegan (summer semester 2022)

- Sven Fischer offers a seminar for the "Mena Economics" module.
- The VL and UE "Political Economy of Islam" is supported by a teaching assignment from Prof. Dr. Moamen Gouda offered.
- The VL and UE "Political Economy of Corruption and Shadow Economy" are cancelled. Students in the EMEA master's program can attend this event in their 4th instead of their 2nd semester.
- All other events are cancelled.

Prof. Dr. Torsten Wulf (summer semester 2022)

- The VL "International Business Strategy" and "Management of International Companies" are offered asynchronously, the UE "International Business Strategy" in presence.
- The VL "Advanced Problemsolving and Communication" is offered.
- Seminars are not offered.

Prof. Dr. Marc Rapp (summer semester 2022)

- The bachelor courses take place regularly.
- The master's courses are held as reading courses.
- The master's seminar is not offered, but the seminars of the other working groups with a focus on Accounting & Finance are available as usual.

(2) New professorships

• Professorship for general business administration, in particular digitization and process management

We hope that this professorship can be filled in the summer semester of 2022. Courses offered by the professorship with a **focus on innovation and information management** will of course only take place after the appointment has been made. As soon as the occupation has been determined, we will inform you immediately. Regardless of whether the professorship has been successfully filled in the summer semester, the "Basics of Business Informatics" module is offered in the summer - possibly as part of a teaching assignment.

To strengthen our activities in the field of sustainability, we are establishing two new professorships:

• Professorship (W2) for economics with a focus on sustainability and economic policy

We are further advanced in the appointment process and are confident that this professorship can be filled at the beginning of the winter semester 2022/23 or the summer semester 2023.

<u>Qualification professorship (W1) for business administration with a focus on sustainability management</u>
We are pleased that Prof. Dr. Teresa Dickler will strengthen our department from June 1st, 2022. Ms. Dickler completed her studies and doctorate at the Justus Liebig University in Giessen and is currently working as Assistant Professor of International Strategy at the IE Business School (IE University) in Madrid. In the coming summer semester, Prof. Dickler is planning to offer a seminar.



These two professorships offer teaching for the new master's degree in Sustainable Development, which we will start together with the Department of Geography from winter semester 2022/23, as well as for the bachelor's degree in Economics and Sustainability, which will also begin with the Department of Geography from winter semester 2023/24.

III. MARVIN and exam registration

Since last semester, all performance bookings and exam registrations have now been made in MARVIN. As a reminder: <u>Here you will find</u> video tutorials for MARVIN, basic questions are answered in the <u>central MARVIN FAQs</u>. Your course directories, courses, etc. can still be found in MARVIN as usual.

Among other things, self-service functions are new for you and are therefore now more convenient: You can **download** several documents and certificates **yourself**, including **transcripts of records** and a **complete record of performance**. Instructions for this can be found in the <u>ILIAS group Marvin Instructions</u>.

There are also changes to TAN lists for exam registration: In Marvin, too, a second factor (TAN) is required for exam registration and de-registration. With the move of the examination administration, a new procedure for so-called two-factor authentication will be introduced. You can find all information about this here.

Finally, a reminder of the ongoing registration for the exams for the first date and other services from October 18, 2021 - January 14, 2022. Registration for the second exam date will

then run from March 10-14, 2022. Our exams will then take place from February 21st. - 04.03.2022 and 18.- 31.03.2022.

IV. Introduction to the economics library and to literature and database research

The Economics Library has created an online self-study module for you with detailed general and subject-specific information about

- the collections of the library of economics (in addition, the collections and services of the UB information about the UB and BW,
- the research options in online catalogues and databases (also working papers and repositories),
- the use of electronic media (e-books, e-journals).

After completing the self-study module, you will be able to use the online catalogues and databases to research thematically in the locally and digitally available economic stocks. With a <u>final test you</u> can check your acquired knowledge and after successfully completing the test you will receive a certificate (downloadable in ILIAS).

Of course, we are still there for you and are happy to answer any questions - and of course any suggestions.

Finally, the Christmas holidays are ahead of us. We wish you that you can use this time to find some rest after a stressful year for all of us and to recharge your batteries for the new year. With this in mind, we wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year 2022.

Best regards

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