

Framework for supplementary in-person lectures and courses in summer semester 2021

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1. Introduction

The framework is valid subject to stronger, higher-level regulations. The measures describe a minimum standard that will be implemented as specified in the Faculties - with additional measures, if needed.

This framework is continually updated and adjusted in adherence to the current, valid BayIfSMV (current: 13th BayIfSMV).

2. General measures for infection prevention

2.1. Resuming in-person operations in addition to online courses

The council of ministers resolution of 4 June 2021 makes it possible to conduct supplementary, optional in-person courses or lectures. This can apply broadly from a hybrid-design of virtual courses with parallel on campus activity to supplementary seminars, tutorials, and other forms of instruction. Participation is voluntary. This does not affect the option in summer semester 2021 to continue studying in digital formats.

Strict adherence to the requirement of a minimum physical distance of 1.5 metres between people significantly reduces the seating capacity in the seminar rooms and lecture halls on our campus. All of the university's lecture and seminar rooms have been prepared by the TFM according to this requirement and seats have been marked appropriately. The information about the maximum occupancy of each room can be requested from the respective schedule planners of each Faculty or the university room management.

Therefore, with these restrictions in mind, the following framework will apply to supplementary on campus educational operations in summer semester 2021:

- All courses and lectures that can be offered online shall continue in online formats.
- The focus of on campus courses or lectures in summer semester 2021 is on our students, who are not familiar with on campus instruction and/or students who are in the final phase of their studies.
- The basis for any in-person events or activities at the university is the adherence to the general regulations for infection prevention and this framework. Implementing and adhering to these regulations is binding.

- Presence on the entire university campus must be restricted to only absolutely required levels.

2.2. Mask requirements, test requirements, and physical distancing

It is required to wear FFP2 masks on the university campus; employees are required to wear medical face masks, excepting after arrival at their respective work stations, provided no other individuals are present. Regardless of the face mask requirement, gatherings of people in areas such as hallways and corridors should be avoided and a minimum physical distance of 1.5 metres between people should be maintained.

A testing requirement according to §23 (1) Nr. 3 BayIfSMV affects all educational operations, including those previously permitted upon exception, such as laboratory courses. Documentation of a test must only be provided in locations with a 7-day-incidence of over 50 (refer to §4 (2) BayIfSMV). In this case, a written or electronic negative test result from a PCR or POC-Antigen test must be provided that meets the requirements stated in the “COVID-19-Schutzmaßnahmen-Ausnahmenverordnung” (SchAusnahmV).

2.3. Organizational hygiene standards

Everyone is required to contribute to the reduction of the risk of infection by regularly washing their hands and observing coughing and sneezing etiquette (sneezing or coughing into the elbow). On campus, adequate hand-washing facilities are available according to the respective spaces and expected concentration of people. Cleansers and single-use hand towels are supplied centrally in adequate quantities. Tools and equipment should be for personal use when possible. When this is not possible, tools and equipment must be cleaned regularly - especially before being handed over to another person. Alternatively, appropriate protective clothing (e.g. gloves) must be worn. The university will ensure that rooms and equipment are regularly cleaned and disinfected according to the room/equipment usage and number of people using the room/equipment. This applies, in particular, to spaces for examinations that are used in quick sequence by multiple individuals. All rooms must be regularly ventilated.

- Laboratories, lecture halls, and seminar rooms with natural ventilation must be aired well before each use and minimally every 20 minutes thereafter. Instructors will ensure and control the ventilation of the rooms before and during use.
- Rooms that are mechanically ventilated are appropriately designated. The windows and doors in these rooms remain closed.

2.4. People who are ill or suspected cases

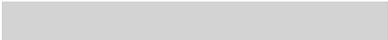
People who fit the following descriptions are prohibited from entering university premises:

1. people who have had contact within the last 14 days with any person who was confirmed to have Covid-19, or
2. people who have symptoms that could indicate Covid-19 according to the RKI, e.g., fever, dry cough, difficulty breathing, loss of sense of taste or smell, throat or joint pain, or
3. are required to be in quarantine at home for 14 days according to the current Entry-Quarantine Directive (EQV).

According to the current status, in the cases of numbers 1 and 2, individuals who have a medical certificate in German or English confirming that there is no evidence of SARS-Cov-2 infection are exempt from the prohibition. This medical certificate should be presented to the respective instructor. The medical certificate must be based on a molecular biological test for the presence of infection with the SARS-CoV-2 coronavirus and have been carried out no more than 48 hours before presentation to the university; this test must have been conducted in a Member State of the European Union or in another state which the RKI has included in the list of states with a sufficient quality standard for this purpose. It should be noted that in these instances a so-called "antigen test" will not suffice.

2.5. Risk groups

It is recommended that people who belong to a group associated with increased risk of severe symptoms (risk group according to the Robert Koch Institute) undertake the necessary measures to protect themselves.



Collection of contact information (*Kontaktdatenerfassung* - KDE) at Nuremberg Tech

The Ministry of Science has requested that the university document the personal information of all participants of each in-person lecture, course, or educational meeting, each visit to a laboratory or to the library in the interest of contact tracing along the chain of infection. Each university must implement a specific plan for contact tracing that meets the requirements of data protection as well as infection prevention. Participating in the collection of contact information is obligatory and a requirement for carrying out and/or participating in in-person or practical operations.

2.6. Conducting in-person lectures or courses

2.6.1 Registration

Students will be accepted into an in-person lecture or course on an individual basis and allowing for the maintenance of the maximum number of individuals permitted in the selected lecture hall or seminar room. To prevent overbooking rooms, students must register with the respective instructor for the in-person lecture or course. The “*Terminplan anlegen*” function in moodle has been recommended to instructors to conduct the registration process. A detailed description is available (in German) in our Wiki at [Terminplaner Moodle](#).

2.6.2 Recording identity, location, and time

To prevent infection it is important to ascertain which individuals have been in a room together at the same time. To accomplish this, students, instructors, and other contributors must scan a QR code with a mobile apparatus and register the locations and times they were present in-person at: <https://virtuohm.ohmportal.de/corona>. For instructors, an additional function (sampling) has been set up to allow them to check which individuals who are present are already registered.

2.6.3 Use of the PC rooms

Information and instructions about the use of the PC rooms under the current hygiene measures are available at https://intern.ohmportal.de/fileadmin/Rechenzentrum/PC-Labor/Hygiene-konzept_PC-Labore.pdf

2.6.4 Using the University Library

Information and instructions about the use of the library under the current hygiene measures are available at <https://www.th-nuernberg.de/einrichtungen-gesamt/zentrale-einrichtungen/bibliothek/informationen-zur-bibliothek/informationen-zu-den-serviceleistungen-der-bibliothek-waehrend-der-covid-19-einschraenkungen/>

3. Responsibilities

All university members are responsible for ensuring the actual implementation of the measures and regulations described in this document, in particular within their area of responsibility.

This applies notably to instructors, meeting leaders, and supervisors. It includes the responsibility to appropriately inform the people that fall within their areas of responsibility (e.g. participants in meetings or courses on campus) of the current rules and regulations for infection prevention. Instructors who conduct in-person lectures or courses must ensure contact tracing can be carried out. Instructors bear the responsibility to ensure adherence to physical distancing and hygiene directives, the face mask requirement, and participation in the collection of contact information; to this end, they have the authority (*Hausrecht*) to refuse participation in lecture halls and other rooms used for educational operations to anyone who fails to comply with these measures. The university will carry out random checks on compliance with the infection prevention regulations.

4. Entry into force

This framework came into force on 8 June 2021.