

a) *ECTS system and workload*

For each module that you complete successfully, you receive **credit points** in accordance with the **European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System**, or **ECTS** for short. It has two important functions:

1) Credit points are a **measure of the workload** that is typically required as part of a study program. **One ECTS credit point corresponds to a workload of about 30 hours**. In addition to attending classes, this also includes the time spent on literature, tutorials, group work, studying for the exam and the exam itself. An academic year comprises 60 ECTS credit points, for which approx. 1,800 hours are allotted, spread over the entire year, excluding six weeks of recreational leave.

2) The accumulated credit points can be transferred internationally, e.g., if you change your place of study or if you later want to start a master's degree abroad.

b) *University of diversity*

Every person is different. Applied to you and your fellow students, this means that some of you can focus fully on their studies, while others have to work part-time, perhaps look after their children, or care for relatives. Our students also differ in terms of their prior knowledge, talents, and personal aspirations.

Nuremberg Tech strives to be a diverse university that acknowledges the different personal circumstances and characteristics of its students. The 40 hours per week mentioned on page 1 for graduation within the standard period of study are therefore only a rough guideline. Some of you may need a little less than 40 hours per week to achieve this, others may be able and willing to invest more time.

c) *Who or what is KoSIMA?*

KoSIMA is the Competence Center for Social Innovations, Methods and Analyses, a group of experts from the fields of social sciences, economics, and computer science at Nuremberg Tech. Among other topics, we are interested in doing research on learning and teaching, and we offer and investigate supportive measures for our students.

d) *Counseling services offered by the Nuremberg Tech*

- If you have general questions about your studies, please contact the **Student Counseling Service**:
<http://bit.ly/ZentraleStudienberatung>
- Mentoring by students from higher semesters is provided by the **Studienberatungsportal**:
<https://ohm.kh-netzwerk.de/>
- You can find the **faculty advisor** on the website of your program under Program Advising & Guidance:
<https://bit.ly/Bachelorstudiengaenge>
- The **psychotherapeutic counseling** provides counseling for personal problems that are rooted in or related to your studies. Contact: Dr. Dominik Özbe-Schönfeld (0911 / 5880-2548
Psychologische-Beratung@th-nuernberg.de):
http://bit.ly/Psychologische_Studienberatung
- The Studentenwerk also offers **psychological counseling**:
http://bit.ly/Studentenwerk_Beratung