

### **CSBME Internationalization Support**

# Computer Science Academic Advising Sessions

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- Oral Consultation Hours
  - By appointment or email or Webex



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#### Information about Academic Advising Team

#### Peer Tutor for Incoming Students

- Support for incoming students
  - Study program and organizational issues
  - Networking
  - Social Activities
- Velka Kocic
- Join the WhatsApp Group!







#### Overview of CSBME





### Computer Science & Biomedical Engineering

#### CSBME

- Fasted growing faculty
- 11 institutes (schools)
- 45 professors (at any level) and 213 other scientists
- Top 150 (World University Ranking)
- CSBME Teaching
  - 5 bachelors & 6 master
  - All master programs in English
  - Peer tutoring and support for international/incoming students
  - Student teams









#### **CS** Programs

- Computer Science
  - Software, Basics, Connection to Mathematics
- Software Engineering and Management
  - Classical Engineering Program
  - Software, Business, Management, Information Systems
- Information and Computer Engineering
  - Hardware und Software
  - Connection to Electrical Engineering
- Computational Social Systems
- CS Teacher Training Program



### Best Practices Studying CSBME Programs





### Learning at Technical Universities in Austria

- The focus is on self-organized and self-regulated learning
- Attendance (physical presence) is not obligatory for most lectures
- Students organize their learning and managing the scheduling of the exams (several dates available)



#### Types of Courses

- Lectures (VO)
- Exercises (UE)
- Lectures with integrated exercises (VU)
- Design exercises (KU)
- Laboratory courses (LU)
- Projects (PT)
- Seminars (SE)
- Seminar projects (SP)



#### **TUG Online System**

- Major source
  - Searching Courses
  - Enrollment of courses
  - Information about pre-knowledge and skills
  - Schedules and information about lecture rooms
  - Exam schedules and enrolment for exams



#### At the Beginning of the Semester

- Attend Introductory Lectures
  - Get to know the lectures
  - Overview of skills and how course is organized, also the exams
  - Sometimes exercises get organized in groups (annoying for course coordinator if you show up later to participate & formation of groups has passed)
  - Talk to the course coordinator in case you have special questions
- Attend at least one full lecture
  - Get a better idea if selected course is in line with your interests and the pre-knowledge skills



### During the Semester

- Plan your activities realistically
  - In particularly assignment and exercises can be time consuming!
  - Most of the time, no intermediate checks or checkpoints, and deadlines are hard deadlines!
  - In case you have questions or need help check with the course coordinator in time, also check with your peers



#### **Examinations**

- Enrolment of Exams
  - Plan carefully and enroll way ahead of time, number of places per exam can be limited
  - In case you want cancel the exam, manage to do in time (no show-ups annoy lecturers)!
  - Check with peers about information about exams (sometimes there are old exams for preparation available)
  - Start preparing in time!



#### **Useful Resources**

- Handbook "Studying at TU Graz"
  - https://www.tugraz.at/fileadmin/user\_upload/tugrazInternal/Studium/Studieren\_an\_der\_TU\_Gr az/StudienanfaengerInnen/Booklet\_New\_Students.pdf
- Information for New Students
  - https://www.tugraz.at/en/studying-and-teaching/studying-at-tu-graz/information-for-newstudents/
- Website of CSBME
  - https://www.tugraz.at/fakultaeten/infbio/home/
- Study Programs CSBME
  - https://online.tugraz.at/tug\_online/pl/ui/\$ctx/webnav.ini?pUrl=wborg.display%3FPORGNR=37

- International Students at CSBME
  - https://www.tugraz.at/fakultaeten/csbme/studies/international-students/



#### Concluding Remarks

- We want to provide you a pleasant stay
  - Let us know issues but also positive experiences
  - Recommendations for improvement
- Make use of Peer Tutoring for Incomings (!)
- Learning Agreements
  - For changes, just send me an email (towards end of stay!)
  - Check with your coordinator at sending institution



#### **COVID-19 Related Information**

- Covid-19 Information for International Students
  - https://www.tugraz.at/en/studying-and-teaching/international-studyingand-teaching/internationals-at-tu-graz-covid-19-information/

- Quarantine Support Service
  - https://www.tugraz.at/en/studying-and-teaching/international-studyingand-teaching/internationals-at-tu-graz-covid-19-information/#c322842



## We wish you a pleasant stay!



