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Information for the upcoming semester, students



### **Dear students,**

welcome back at TU Graz! At the beginning of the new semester, I would like to inform you about news and events in the field of teaching and learning.

### **Comprehensive evaluation of all courses**

In the next two semesters (SS19, WS19/20) all courses at TU Graz will be scheduled for evaluation. This measure serves as quality assurance in making a consequent development of teaching at TU Graz possible and in delivering valuable inputs for teaching staff and their courses. Please participate! Further information on the evaluation is available [in TU4U](#).

### **Registration for a course due to exceeding the assessment period**

If the four-weeks assessment period is exceeded, the course is deemed to have been completed in accordance with our statute as a prerequisite for registration for course and module examinations.

If you would like to be registered to a course (and due to existing registration requirements you cannot register yourself for the course via TUGRAZonline), please contact the respective dean's office.

### **Visit of all student representatives of TU Graz**

After visiting all of the 94 Institutes of TU Graz during the last year, I do now continue my talks about teaching and learning with student representatives of all study programs. The valuable and interesting inputs gained from meetings with the Institutes will now be complemented with student's perspectives. A couple of meetings, each about two hours plus long, have already taken place. The student representatives talked about strengths, ideas, wishes and challenges from their perspectives. Similar to the [talks with the Institutes](#) (information in German), all of the results and insights gained throughout these meetings will be noted down and summarised in an anonymous report.

### **Event: Student's discussion group on 28 May 2019**

In 2019, I again invite all students to the "Student's discussion group". Besides current concerns of the students, there will be information about measures introduced due to outputs of former Student's discussion groups. In the emphasised discussion part, the focus lies on the phase "students" of the Student Life Cycle, which targets optimal consultancy and support during study progress. Help us to

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approach this goal and deliver creative, brave and exciting ideas to the discussion, so barriers and obstacles can eventually be overcome and to make studying at TU Graz more attractive.

- When: Tuesday, 28 May 2019, 1 p.m. - 3 p.m.
- Where: VIP-room Mensa, Inffeldgasse 10, first floor

PLEASE NOTE: Due to organisational reasons (finger food-buffet!), please register for this event [here](#). The number of participants is limited.

### Ideas competition Falling Walls Lab

At the idea competition "Falling Walls Lab" young talents get the chance to convince a top-class jury of their projects. The winner of the Falling Walls Lab Austria is invited to present her/his project to a broad expert audience at the technological talks at the European Forum Alpbach (August 22-24 2019). The winner qualifies additionally for the Lab finals in Berlin on November 8<sup>th</sup> 2019. Besides that, the top three competitors of Falling Walls Lab Austria receive the opportunity to present their pitch again in Alpbach. There, the audience decides for a winner who gets also enabled to participate at the finals in Berlin.

The [application](#) for Falling Walls Lab Austria is possible for all Bachelor, Master or PhD students, Post-docs and young entrepreneurs. **Deadline: March 13<sup>th</sup> 2019.** Facts about the event:

- Falling Walls Lab Austria, 9 April 2019
- Where: Inffeldgasse 11/ 3<sup>rd</sup> floor, Graz

Further information: [Falling Walls Lab-Website](#) and via [fwlaustria2019@tugraz.at](mailto:fwlaustria2019@tugraz.at).

I wish you all the best for the new semester.

If you have any further questions, please contact [vr-lehre@tugraz.at](mailto:vr-lehre@tugraz.at).



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