

Dear students,

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

Legal Regulations for Academic Affairs

As of October 1st, 2018, various changes to this part of the TU Graz Statute apply, e.g.:

- taking exams from a master's degree programme before completing bachelor's degree programme will be allowed explicitly after completing the orientation period (STEOP),
- new regulation if the examiner fails to meet the four-weeks deadline for the assessment,
- · new regulation for oral exams via video telephony,
- new terms such as "module" instead of "subject".

An updated version of the translated document is available in <u>TU4U</u>. If you need further information on the study law changes, please contact <u>vr-lehre@tugraz.at.</u>

Degree Completion Scholarship for Working Students

With the Degree Completion Scholarship, the TU Graz would like to enable working students to finish their studies in a reasonable time. Details can be found here.

Tuition fee waiver for doctoral students

Starting with winter semester 2018/19, students of doctoral programmes at TU Graz who are currently employed at TU Graz can apply for a tuition fee waiver or repayment of tuition fees. For detailed criteria see <u>tugraz.at</u>.

Student's discussion group

On October 29th, 2018 the Vice Rectorate for Academic Affairs invites you to the students' discussion group. Besides current concerns of the students we will devote ourselves to a central motto: "Which information do first year-students need for a successful study start at TU Graz?" – Share your experiences with us!

- When: October 29th, 2018, 1 p.m. 3 p.m.
- Where: VIP room Mensa, Stremayrgasse 16

PLEASE NOTE: Due to organisational reasons (finger food-buffet), please register for this event <u>here</u>. The number of participants is limited.

Input in German, discussions are possible in German and English.

Learning languages and key competencies

Do you already know our courses on <u>languages</u> and <u>key competencies</u>? Browse the programme on offer and broaden your knowledge. Registration is possible until late September or early October.

Confucius Institute

The <u>Confucius Institute</u> brings together all China related activities and offers of the University of Graz. Besides various events and festivities about the Chinese culture, language courses are offered at discount for students of TU Graz.

Study at TU Graz: Service for students on Facebook

The Facebook page <u>Study at TU Graz</u> is online since March and will keep you updated on dates and deadlines, organisational and administrative information, scholarships, language courses, study law and much more.



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We care about education!

In addition, I would like to draw your attention to the news page on teaching. You can find regular news about the topic "teaching" at TU Graz (scholarships, teaching prizes etc.) here.

I wish you all the best for the new semester.

If you have any further questions, please contact vr-lehre@tugraz.at.

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