

Dear employees!  
Dear teachers!  
Dear students!

First of all, pleasant information: The corona situation at the University of Applied Sciences Upper Austria is now pleasingly stable over a longer period of time. Most of the people who tested positive have now recovered and numerous quarantines have been terminated.

If we can continue to act with such discipline in the coming weeks, we will hopefully be able to master a possible second corona wave unscathed.

The University of Applied Sciences Upper Austrian intends to gradually move towards normal operation from Monday, 4 May 2020.

The following general conditions must be observed:

- Whatever can be handled in the form of distance learning must be carried out in this way.
- If attendance courses are absolutely necessary, they are to be postponed - as far as possible and reasonable - and, where possible, into higher semesters.
- Courses that cannot be substituted can be offered from May onwards under the guidelines:

- o large rooms
- o Keep distance
- o Use of a mouth and nose protection mask
- o Avoidance of close social contacts (no shaking hands etc.)
- o observance of personal hygiene requirements

can be carried out.

Our facility management ensures increased cleaning of critical contact points (sanitary rooms, door handles etc.).

The deans are authorised to implement a limited presence service from May onwards - in compliance with the above-mentioned requirements.

R+D operations can also be carried out in compliance with the above-mentioned conditions.

As of Tuesday, 14 April 2020, a mouth and nose mask must be worn if there is more than 1 person in the room when presence is absolutely necessary at the locations. This protection must be provided in an adequate form by the participants themselves. No disposable masks will be distributed. We are currently investigating the need for special masks for sensitive areas of the Upper Austrian University of Applied Sciences, which will be provided afterwards - if available.

## **Libraries**

Loan facilities will be available in physical form from 4 May - the reading area will remain closed until further notice.

Events including our summer language courses\* and conferences have to be cancelled until further notice (except online events). \*A new format is currently being considered for the cancelled summer-sponsorships

At today's press conference, Federal Minister Faßmann will provide information on the measures planned by the ministry.

Furthermore, it is important to comply with the existing safety regulations of the government!

Thank you very much for your unbroken commitment to help the University of Applied Sciences Upper Austria through these unusual times and thus to secure the company and jobs!

I remain as always with the best wishes for your health and look forward to seeing you again soon.

Happy Easter and best regards

Dr. Gerald Reisinger