Coronavirus regulations at the University of Bayreuth as of 21.05.2022

Dear Students,

We hope this semester is off to a good start for you all and that you have been enjoying the direct exchange of ideas with your lecturers and fellow students on site in Bayreuth and Kulmbach. In view of the current coronavirus situation, we are now able to amend the requirements relating to wearing masks while in the buildings of the University of Bayreuth. After today’s vote among Bavaria’s universities, the University Governing Board has decided to replace the requirement to wear a mask with a recommendation to wear a mask effective tomorrow, Saturday, 21 May 2022. Thus, we recommend strongly that you continue to wear a medical or FFP-2 mask for your own protection when in buildings or enclosed spaces, especially during lectures, unless the minimum distance of 1.5m can be reliably maintained. The general obligation to wear a mask indoors no longer applies. However, we would like to appeal to you to continue to maintain a sufficient distance to others when you are in the University of Bayreuth’s buildings.

The pandemic is not over. Your safety when learning and working is important to us, as it is to you. For this reason, as of 21 May 2022, lecturers and organizers of temporary events may choose to impose a "temporary mask requirement" for the duration of their course/event. This means that they may make attendance of their course or participation in their event conditional on the wearing of a medical mask or FFP-2 mask for the duration of the course/event held indoors or in enclosed spaces if members of risk groups are present or there is evidence of circumstances conducive to infection. Examples of such circumstances would be crowded spaces, poor ventilation, or failure to maintain the recommended minimum distance. Lecturers are encouraged to provide advance notice of any temporary masking requirement. In general, we recommend that you always have a mask with you to ensure you are able to attend lectures and seminars without any hindrances.
Detailed information on all applicable regulations and recommendations can be found in our newly revised Coronavirus Handbook: [https://www.uni-bayreuth.de/en/corona](https://www.uni-bayreuth.de/en/corona).

We are pleased to announce that we will continue offering rapid testing on campus. Visit [https://meintest.brk.de](https://meintest.brk.de) to book an appointment for PoC antigen rapid testing (weekdays, 9-11 am). Please take advantage of this offer that has been made possible thanks to the support of our dedicated students.

We thank you for your cooperation and understanding as we continue to ease restrictions as much as possible. We wish you good health and a pleasant summer.

Yours faithfully,

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