To all members of
Hochschule für Künste Bremen

- via email -

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UPDATE: Gradual resumption of normal university operations

Dear colleagues and students

Universities in Bremen and the Senator of Science and Ports decided that universities will resume their “normal” operations and activities gradually and according to carefully examined steps in certain areas, with very restricted capacities and while adhering to applicable safety requirements starting May 4, 2020.

The rectorate is coordinating with the departments, the various department units and the AStA on what these next, concrete steps will look like. At the moment, I can give you the following information:

Operations starting May 4, 2020
- “Normal” operations will resume only in certain areas and with very restricted capacities starting May 4, 2020. In general, everyone is supported in their efforts to work from home to help avoid gatherings of people both on campus as well as in public transportation.
- Which areas and services [workshops, studios, teaching and practice facilities etc.] will resume normal activities is still being examined. We are currently working on establishing criteria to assess this issue sufficiently. Conditions of use will be based on this assessment as well.

Summer semester 2020 and winter semester 2020/2021
- HfK can decide when the summer semester 2020 will end flexibly.
- During the summer semester 2020, teaching, operations, and services will be conducted online whenever possible since it is our goal to reduce the number of people on campus to the absolutely necessary minimum.

Exams in the Music Department
- During summer semester, only those exams can take place that cannot be postponed for compelling reasons.
- Modular exams will be rescheduled for winter semester 2020/21.
If you do have compelling reasons to take a modular exam or present a final project in summer semester 2020, please contact and send a well-founded application to Campus Office Music. Your application will be forwarded to the members of the examination board who will decide on whether or not the exam can take place under certain conditions. All deadlines to register to take a modular exam or present a final project during summer semester 2020 are suspended as a one-off exemption.

Application deadlines to present a final project during winter semester 2020/21 are suspended during the summer semester 2020 as a one-off exemption. Applications can be submitted starting on May 1, 2020 at any time.

Courses in all study programs will initially be held remotely during the summer semester.

Registration for (online) classes will be submitted through ARTIST. There are no configurations for credits/performances and types of exams.

If you have further questions, please contact Campus-Office Music by sending an email to campus-office-musik@hfk-bremen.de or call during limited office hours 0421/9595-1490.

Course catalogue

Course catalogues for both departments are online. You can register for classes starting April 20, 2020.

Please take note of the email IT services has sent out on April 16, 2020 to all teaching faculty and on April 17, 2020 to all students containing information regarding registration for courses.

Please distribute this letter in your department and inform your colleagues and fellow students respectively.

You will receive latest information and recent developments through your official HfK email account and on the website. Please make sure that you can be contacted through your official HfK email address.

I sincerely thank you for your patience and understanding.

With kind regards

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