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Vice-Rectorate Teaching

iliasEXAM: Recommendation regarding exam mode

Exams on iliasEXAM are primarily intended to be on-site exams. The Vice-Rectorate Teaching, therefore, recommends conducting digital exams on site and avoiding use in remote mode as far as possible. In some instances, using iliasEXAM exams in remote mode may nevertheless be useful or necessary. These include:

- a. Exams that have to take place outside the exam period for important reasons (e.g., unavoidable postponement, illness, accident, military, death in the family) and students are therefore unable to be on site
- b. Open-book exams that students can work on over an extended period, e.g., several days
- c. Online programs with participants who are not on site

Exams on iliasEXAM can be conducted remotely in these cases. In such cases, the examiners note on the registration form that the exam is to take place "remotely" instead of a room number.

Compared to iliasEXAM on-site exams, iliasEXAM remote-mode exams entail special requirements and risks that have to be taken into account:

Requirements

- a. Organization of communication channels (incl. offline channels) during the ongoing exam (e.g., mail, zoom, phone)
- b. Organization of available contact persons during the ongoing exam (e.g., max. 100 participants per 1 support person)
- Increased awareness of computer protection and network security, both on the part of lecturers and students

Risks

- a. Increased risk of cheating
- b. Unequal conditions due to varying speeds of private internet connections
- c. Failure of private internet connections
- d. No possibility of providing replacement devices