Guidelines for the second session of examinations (August-September 2020)

Approved by the University Executive Board on 07.08.2020
a. Basic principles:

1. Students' and lecturers' health must not be endangered.
2. The standard duration of study must continue to be guaranteed wherever possible.
3. The planned and announced examination dates remain unchanged.
4. The special legal basis for the examinations is defined by the COVID-19 regulations of the University of Bern.

b. The solutions for conducting exams that are available are as follows:

1. Examinations are held in-person and with the usual distancing (an empty seat between two students). All those present (students and staff) must wear a protective mask during the examination.
2. If there is enough space in the designated room to maintain the prescribed distance of 1.5m, the examinations may be held in-person and without a protective mask.
3. If they wish and consider this to be didactically useful, lecturers may also conduct examinations online.

The necessary room reservations for the exams in August and September have been made and will be kept. Rescheduling is not possible.

Lecturers must inform students as early as possible about the form in which the individual examinations will take place.

Examination rooms will be organized with controlled and staggered access as far as possible, which will be arranged in cooperation with the Facility Management Office.

The usual general rules of hygiene and protective measures must be respected, e.g. the lecture rooms must be ventilated regularly.

Students are responsible for procuring their own masks for examinations. (Later, the University of Bern will provide some masks for students at the beginning of the semester.)

Students without masks will not be admitted to the examinations.

The masks must also be worn at the entrance and exit (i.e. in the corridors of buildings where exams take place).

The use of the SwissCovid App is highly recommended to students and lecturers.

For in-person examinations, alternative and secure solutions must be offered whenever possible for students who belong to a risk group (e.g. online examinations). For further information and advice please consult the following website: www.lehre.unibe.ch/coronavirus