DECISION OF THE RECTORATE

REGARDING PERSONAL ATTENDANCE OF CLASSES AND EXAMINATIONS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF ART AND DESIGN LINZ

According to § 22 Abs. 1 Universitätsgesetz 2002 (Universities Organisation Act) in connection with 2. COVID-19 Hochschulgesetz, after consulting the chairwoman of the Senate, the chairman of the University Council and the chairman of the Students Council, the Rectorate decrees the following:

§ 1 CONTENT AND SCOPE

This decree contains measures aimed at preventing the spread of COVID-19 infections and applies at all locations of the University of Art and Design Linz.

§ 2 PERSONAL ATTENDANCE OF CLASSES AND EXAMINATIONS

(1) Personal (physical) attendance of classes and examinations is only permitted if teachers, proctors and students produce one of the following certificates. 'Personally attended classes' includes all related (preparatory) activities at the university (e.g. studio or workshop activities).

THE FOLLOWING CERTIFICATES ARE VALID:

- negative result of a COVID-19 self-test which was directly taken at and provided by the university on site
- negative SARS-CoV-2 antigen test, time of testing must be no more than 48 hours in the past
- negative SARS-CoV-2 PCR test, time of testing must be no more than 72 hours in the past.
- (2) The following certificates equal a negative SARS-CoV-2 test certificate:
- a medical certificate attesting the person has contracted a SARS-CoV-2 infection and already recovered within the last 6 months before the scheduled date of testing
- a certificate attesting SARS-CoV-2-neutralising antibodies for a period of three months.
- a certificate of convalescence from a SARSCoV-2 infection according to § 4 Abs 18 Epidemiegesetz 1950 (law on epidemic control)
- a decree of isolation which was evidently issued to a person who was infected with SARS-CoV-2 within the last 6 months before the scheduled date of testing.

Test results may be saved accessible on a portable mobile digital device. Either way, you must be able to produce a certificate during the entire duration of your stay in a university building. If you cannot present a certificate, the university reserves the right to deactivate access cards or to prohibit attendance of regular (personally attended) classes or examinations.

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§ 3 ENTERING FROM A FOREIGN COUNTRY

- (1) (1) If you enter the country from abroad, you may present a medical certificate (in German or English language) stating that you have been tested negative for SARS-CoV-2 (PCR or antigen test). The certificate is not valid if the time of testing is more than 48 hours (antigen) or more than 72 hours (PCR) in the past at the time of the regular class or examination.
- (2) Such medical certificate equals a test certificate (German or English language) which confirms that you have tested negative for SARS-CoV-2 (antigen or PCR test) and includes the following information:
 - 1. name and surname of the person tested
 - 2. date of birth
 - 3. date and time of testing
 - 4. test result
 - signature of the person who administered the test and stamp of the institution or bar code/QR code.

§ 4 ALTERNATIVE EXAMINATION METHOD

Students with a disability according to § 3 Bundes-Behindertengleichstellungsgesetzes (Act on the Equalization of Persons with Disabilities) which prevents them from personally attending an examination as well as students who have a certificate attesting that they belong to a COVID-10 risk group have the right to an alternative examination method if contents and requirements of the examination are not affected by the alternative method.

§5 COMPETENCE

- (1) The Vice Rector for Art and Teaching is responsible for the enforcement of this decree concerning classes and examinations.
- (2) The Vice Rector for Finance and Resources is responsible for the enforcement of test result controls.

§6 COMMENCEMENT

This decree comes into effect on 26 April 2021 and ceases to be effective after 30 September 2021.