

Dear colleagues,

University operations are being seriously affected by the response to the coronavirus pandemic and this will continue to be the case for the foreseeable future. For this reason, on Wednesday 6 April 2020, the university board of management issued a manual containing orientational guidelines and rules meant to enable all of us to continue to perform our mutual tasks and to sustain research and teaching activities while at the same time observing pertinent health protection measures. In this context, the requirements and conditions for an exceptional approval of practical courses and attendance-based examinations, as well as for a restricted operation of the university library and university archives, are also included in the manual.

The manual will be available in translation on our coronavirus [website](#). It is based on guidelines to which all Bavarian universities have jointly committed themselves.

I ask that you please pay particular attention to the rules of conduct and measures to protect university members' health and that you adhere to them as they are presented in the manual.

As you can gather from the manual, the university's on-site operations will remain at a minimum and staff members whose presence on site is not absolutely necessary will continue to work from home. The regulations and procedures contained in my previous newsletters on the topic will continue to apply until further notice. However, due to the end of general lockdown restrictions on 6 May 2020, you will no longer need a certificate of employment when visiting university facilities.

Obtaining a protective mouth/nose covering as detailed in my newsletter of 30 April is still possible. If you require masks for yourself and your department, please contact the purchasing department at beschaffung@uni-bamberg.de.

As always, you can find all relevant and up-to-date information at <https://www.uni-bamberg.de/en/health-management/coronavirus/>.

Best regards,

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