

Dear students,

Having to write this message was only a matter of time: I would like to inform you that a university employee has tested positive for coronavirus. The news reached us today. This has consequences for all of us, but for the time being least of all for you.

Following immediate consultation with the public health authorities, all employees who had direct contact with the infected colleague were immediately notified. As of today, these employees are under the 14-day protective measure and will continue to work from home. This means they can still be contacted by telephone and email and are, in this form, available to their colleagues.

The Robert Koch Institute changed their risk assessment for Germany to “high” yesterday due to the rapidly increasing number of coronavirus infections. We are currently reassessing the situation and the course of action for our university practically on a daily basis. As the university board of management, our primary task in this situation is to safeguard your health and contribute to the state containment strategy to the greatest extent possible as a university. You can find news and updates on the university’s [coronavirus website](#). Please check the site regularly to stay abreast of current developments.

Please remain calm and help us in our prevention efforts by exercising prudence!

The university board of management wishes each of you good health and all the best for the coming weeks!

Sincerely,  
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