

# “Corona“-related specialities related to the examination phase WS 20/21 in the physics and astronomy degree courses

Information for students and teaching staff (subject to change)

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## General

The department asked the “Arbeitsgruppe zur Fortentwicklung der Studiengänge (AGFS)” to discuss and plan the examination phase WS20/21 with the participation of all involved bodies, especially the student representatives. This document contains the **preliminary** planning. The final plans will be communicated around 20/01/2021 after further meetings of the AGFS (18/01/2021) and the examination committee (19/01/2121).

## Timetable for the first examination phase and the examination format

Currently the attempt will be made to stick with the original timetable for the **first examination phase** in WS 20/21, with examinations taking place from 8/2/21 - 26/2/21. Although this period is after the current lockdown, it cannot now be guaranteed that examinations will be able to take place on the university campus. In the worst-case scenario **online examination formats** (written and oral examinations) should be pursued and supported for physics majors (not physics minors). This includes (i) the conversion of written examinations into online written examinations and (ii) the switch from written examinations or oral examinations in person to oral online examinations. Guidelines for online (written) examinations will be provided for the teaching staff. The final decision on the examination format and also the execution of the examination remains in the hands of the person responsible for the course.

## Second examination phase and laboratory courses

The current planning forces the **second examination phase** in WS 20/21 taking place at the beginning of the summer semester, i.e. 6/4/21 - 16/4/21. In this case there will be a one week overlap with lectures. This is tolerable, as in this week mostly involves preparatory work and the organisation of exercise classes. Live lectures should be made available as recordings if possible.

With this planning it should be possible for the **lab. courses** to be completed between the examination phases - assuming that sufficient presence on the university campus is allowed. The organisation of such presence, and if necessary further hygiene measures, has highest priority.