

(General) hygiene concept of Flensburg University of Applied Sciences

This concept is valid until further notice; it applies to the whole of Flensburg University of Applied Sciences (FUAS).

Preamble

The health and safety of its students, teaching staff, employees and visitors are the main focus of the measures taken at FUAS in the current situation.

At the same time, we want to do what is our main task as a university: provide education.

This hygiene concept aims to create and ensure a safe environment in which all members of our university and their guests stay healthy and which ensures safe university operations in times of the COVID-19 pandemic.

This can only be achieved by constantly re-assessing and re-adjusting important and necessary safety measures. This hygiene concept is based on the regulations on dealing with the pandemic currently valid, the Regulations to fight the coronavirus SARS-CoV-2 issued by the Land Schleswig-Holstein [Corona-Bekämpfungsverordnung des Landes Schleswig-Holstein, German language version (available in German only):

https://www.schleswig-holstein.de/DE/landesregierung/themen/gesundheit-verbraucherschutz/coronavirus/Erlasse-Verordnungen/Verordnungen_node.html

as well as the occupational safety and health regulations in place.

We trust and rely on all members and guests of FUAS to act responsibly and in a way, which considers and respects others; this is the most important pre-requisites for this hygiene concept to be effective.

I. General information

The principles of infection prevention apply to all activities and events held by FUAS and on its premises (this includes teaching, seminars, laboratory classes, meetings, assessments, workshops etc.). That is why it is important that each and everyone acts responsibly and follows basic hygiene rules. This includes that people who show respiratory symptoms do not enter FUAS' premises if at all possible and work from home or join classes and other events, that take place both on campus and online, virtually. People who have tested positive for COVID-19 and show no symptoms may enter FUAS' buildings as long as they wear a medical face mask or a FFP mask (FFP2 or similar) while they are inside. If you do so, please limit the time you are at FUAS to the absolute necessary in the interest of everyone.

The spread of COVID-19 can also be reduced by a large number of people getting vaccinated and everyone getting tested regularly. We ask all members of FUAS to use the official sources available¹ to learn about the risks of an infection with COVID-19 and the advantages of a vaccination against COVID-19; please make use of the various possibilities to get tested and/or vaccinated and consult your GP or FUAS' occupational doctor.

The elemental hygiene rules (keeping a distance from others (at least 1.5 metres), (hand) hygiene, cough and sneeze etiquette, medical masks covering the mouth and nose and regular ventilation of rooms) are the most important measures to minimise the risk at all events and activities. They will remain crucial also with the number of vaccinated people rising.

¹ e.g. Federal Ministry of Health, RKI, BZgA, [schleswig-holstein.de](https://www.schleswig-holstein.de); or the WHO (for information in English)

We highly recommend that medical face masks are worn during classes taught on campus and lab classes, meetings and when working at group workplaces as well as on the corridors, in stairways and lifts and similar routes in all of FUAS' buildings.

Occupational safety and health regulations remain valid in addition to this hygiene concept.

II. Framework conditions (organisation and facilities)

FUAS wants to support its members and guests in following basic hygiene rules with the following measures:

1. Routes to be followed through FUAS' buildings will be designated and marked in order to avoid direct encounters (walk on the right side) and ensure that distances can be kept (avoid overtaking others).
2. Lifts should only be used by one person at a time when absolutely necessary.
3. General advice for the prevention of infections have been posted on the entrance doors to all buildings and are to be adhered by.
4. The sanitary facilities are cleaned daily.
5. Food should be consumed in the cafeteria, break rooms and outside FUAS' buildings.
6. Hand disinfectant will be provided in the main entrance areas of FUAS' buildings.

III. Organisation within FUAS

Classes must be held according to how and when they are scheduled in the timetable.

Changes may occur on the basis of new decrees issued by the Land or similarly important reasons, these changes could include switching to online teaching or hybrid formats at short notice. Members of FUAS are asked to regularly check commonly used communication channels such as their e-mail inboxes, the website or Stud.IP.