Your host and speaker

Katja Leßke
Program Coordinator – Master Programs
***Agenda and objective of this webinar***

**Agenda:**
1. Introduction to Technical University of Munich
2. Introduction to TUM School of Management
3. Services of TUM, TUM School of Management and Student Union
4. Good Online/Email Communication Practice, German Etiquette and Principles of Good Practice for Students
5. Social Media & More Details

**Objective:**
To help you to feel at home at TUM School of Management and inform you on numerous services offered by TUM and TUM School of Management.
Program-specific or individual questions?

• Check the content we provide for your program on our website (e.g. program structure):
  – MMT: https://www.wi.tum.de/programs/master-mt/
  – MIM: https://www.wi.tum.de/programs/master-in-management/
  – MCS: https://www.wi.tum.de/programs/master-consumer-science/

• Check the program-specific academic and examination regulations (FPSO), available in the download section of each program:
  – FPSO MMT: https://www.wi.tum.de/programs/master-mt/downloads/

• Check your curricula support in your TUMonline account.

• Still individual questions? Get in touch with our student counseling team and your program manager:
  https://www.wi.tum.de/contact/
Regarding the current Covid-19 situation:

Please note that this webinar provides general information that may not be accurate during this acute coronavirus situation. We kindly ask you to stay updated about current developments at TU Munich through https://www.tum.de/en/about-tum/news/coronavirus/

Freshers from our faculty can find updated information here: https://www.wi.tum.de/facing-corona-together/start-studying-in-times-of-corona/
German University System

Bachelor: 3 – 4 years
Master: 1 – 2 years
Ph.D.: 3+ years
State examination: 4 – 6 years
German University System

Bachelor

180 ECTS

Master

120 ECTS

ECTS = European Credit Transfer System

1 ECTS = 30 hours student workload

Recommended ECTS per semester = 30 ECTS
Technical University of Munich: Departments

- Architecture
- Civil, Geo & Environmental Eng.
- Chemistry
- Electrical & Computer Eng.
- TUM School of Governance
- Informatics
- Mechanical Eng.
- Mathematics
- TUM School of Medicine
- Physics
- TUM School of Education
- Sport & Health Sciences
- TUM School of Management
- TUM School of Life Sciences Weihenstephan
- Aerospace and Geodesy
Technical University of Munich & TUM School of Management: Board

President of TUM
Prof. Dr. Thomas F. Hofmann

Dean of TUM School of Management
Prof. Dr. Gunther Friedl

Vice Dean of TUM School of Management
Prof. Dr. Gudrun P. Kiesmüller

Vice Dean of Academic Affairs of TUM School of Management
Prof. Dr. Jürgen Ernstberger
Technical University of Munich: Campus & Rooms

More information on our campuses can be found here: https://www.wi.tum.de/directions/
RoomFinder allows you to search for a room and display the corresponding overview and layout plans. 
https://portal.mytum.de/onlinehelp/sonstiges/raumfinder/

Room numbering:
1. digit – floor number
2. digit – wing number
3. and 4. digit (combined) – the actual room number

Maps and plans for the Campus Munich, Garching and Weihenstephan:
https://portal.mytum.de/campus/index_html_en
Maps and plans for the Campus Straubing:
https://www.cs.tum.de/campus-straubing/anfahrt-und-lageplan/
Technical University of Munich: Center for Study and Teaching (TUM CST)

- Support and assistance in addition to managing **administrative documents** and academic records throughout your studies, up to and including graduation

- **Service Desk** at the TUM Downtown campus:
  
  Arcisstr. 21, Room 144  
  Monday - Thursday: 9am - 12pm and 1pm - 4pm  
  Friday: 9am - 12pm  

  **In order to call:**
  
  Monday - Friday: 9 am - 12 pm


- Examination Office

- Questions regarding health insurance, Student Card and enrollment

**Contact details & office hours:** [https://www.tum.de/en/studies/tum-center-for-study-and-teaching/](https://www.tum.de/en/studies/tum-center-for-study-and-teaching/)
TUM School of Management
# TUM School of Management: Academic Departments

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More information and contact details: [https://www.wi.tum.de/faculty-research/academic-departments/](https://www.wi.tum.de/faculty-research/academic-departments/)
Bachelor's Program

Christine Geiger
Program Manager
B.Sc. Program

Ellinor Granström
Program Coordinator
B.Sc. Program

Contact details & phone hours: https://www.wi.tum.de/contact/
TUM School of Management: Administration – Student Counseling Team

Master’s Programs

Alina Paulig
Program Manager
Master in Management & Technology

Dr. Heike Pleisteiner
Program Manager
Master in Management

Sanne Verheij
Program Manager
M.Sc. Consumer Science & Consumer Affairs

Katja Leßke
Program Coordinator
Master Programs

Contact details & office hours: https://www.wi.tum.de/contact/
### TUM School of Management: Administration – Grade Management

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<td>Sandra Lütkemeyer</td>
<td>Janine Rothenburger</td>
<td>Julie Strickland</td>
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**Contact details:** [https://www.wi.tum.de/contact/](https://www.wi.tum.de/contact/)
TUM School of Management: Administration – Examination Management

Beate Pommer
Examination Management

Contact details & office hours: https://www.wi.tum.de/contact/
TUM School of Management: Administration – International Office

Contact details & office hours: https://www.wi.tum.de/contact/
TUM School of Management: Career Development

We guide you along the path to success

• Consult our Job Board

• Participate in career events

• Join our Talent Pool

More details can be found here: https://www.wi.tum.de/student-life/career-development/

Julia Garrelfs
Director TUM Management Alumni e.V.
TUM School of Management: Service Point

You have general questions? You have to hand in your final thesis?
You need some kind of confirmation or academic recognition?

You can have all these questions solved at our service point!

You can find us in room 1554.

Opening hours:
Mondays to Fridays 09:00 am – 12:30 pm and 1:30 pm – 4 pm

We are looking forward to helping you!

Please note that TUM will remain closed to the general public until further notice. Personal visits are therefore currently not possible.
TUM School of Management: Student Council

Student government of Technical University of Munich (ASTA)
https://www.asta.tum.de/de/startseite/

- student representation taking care of the interests of all the students at TU Munich
- active in university politics as well as organise a broad range of events

Student council of TUM School of Management (Fachschaft TUM-SOM)
https://tum-som.com/

- in German called Fachschaft or Fachschaftsvertretung
- elected and voluntarily working representation of students of the TUM School of Management
TUM School of Management: Dates and Deadlines

Winter Semester 2020/21: 01.10.2020 – 31.03.2021
Lecture period: 02.11.2020-12.02.2021


Lecture period: 12.04.2021 - 16.07.2021


Please note: Examinations may also be administered on lecture-free days or during the holidays.
Holidays 2020:

German Reunification Day: 03.10.2020

All Saints' Day: 01.11.2020

Dies Academicus: 03.12.2020, 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.

1st Christmas Day: 25.12.2020

2nd Christmas Day: 26.12.2020

Christmas Vacation: 24.12.2020 - 06.01.2021

For further holidays 2020/21 please have a look at:
https://www.tum.de/en/studies/application/dates-and-deadlines/
dates-periods-and-deadlines/
Info Sessions for Freshers of TUM School of Management

We offer one info session for each of our study programs where you will receive information related to your study program.

The info sessions are going to take place online during the Welcome Weeks (October 19-30, 2020). The exact date and time as well as the link to the online session will be sent to all freshers in due time.

We strongly recommend to join and grab useful information for your study start!
As Fresher you can **sign up** for the Buddy Program for Freshers using this link:


We will pass on your name and e-mail address to your future Buddy and he or she will get in touch with you. Please allow for some time to pass between your registration and hearing back from your buddy.

**Be quick to register soon to get in touch with students before the lectures start!**

**Contact person:** Katja Leßke  
**Email:** buddy_muc@wi.tum.de
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<td>• periodic (weekly) schedule - exception: block courses (&quot;Blockveranstaltungen&quot;)!</td>
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TUM School of Management: Course types

Information about individual courses can be found in TUMonline

- All courses for TUM School of Management can be found by clicking on “TUM School of Management” on the homepage of the TUMonline portal and then by following the "Course" link.

- You can search for a particular module description via the "Search for Course" link.

- To find the courses for your program, use the "Program Status/Program Plan" application (login required).

- Detailed information about how you can display and register for the course offerings is available in the TUMonline Handbook for Students: https://wiki.tum.de/display/docs/Students as well as in a manual downloadable from our website: https://www.wi.tum.de/downloads/
Useful abbreviations:

- Winter semester: WiSe / 20W
- Summer semester: SoSe / 21S
- Semesterwochenstunde (teaching hours per week): SWS (1 SWS = 45 minutes in class)
- Vorlesung (lecture): VO
- Übung (exercise): UE
- Seminar (seminar): SE
**Modules** are the **building blocks** of the bachelor's and master's programs. A module consists of **one or more courses** with aligned content and schedules. The module description provides information on how the content of the module is structured. Module descriptions can be found in **TUMonline**

- All **module descriptions** for **TUM School of Management** can be found by clicking on “TUM School of Management” on the homepage of the TUMonline portal and then by following the "Module Handbook" link.

- You can search for a particular module description via the "Search for Module Handbook" link.

- To find the module description for your course of study, use the "Program Status/Program Plan" application (login required).
Typical exam at the TUM SOM:

1.0 (best grade) to 5.0 (4.1 to 5.0 = fail)

1.0 to 1.5  “very good” (excellent performance)
1.6 to 2.5  “good” (performance well above average)
2.6 to 3.5  “satisfactory” (average performance)
3.6 to 4.0  “sufficient” (performance meets the standards in spite of deficiencies)
4.1 to 5.0  “fail” (performance does not meet the standards because of substantial deficiencies)
Study and computer rooms for TUM SOM students in building 0505:

- 0503 (ground floor)
- Z503 (Zwischengeschoss, Z floor)
- 2538 (2nd floor)

Please note: Access codes are provided by the Student Council!
Services of TUM,
TUM School of Management
and Student Union Munich
The TUM IT Support Desk:
• first point of contact for questions and problems related to the university's centralized IT services and applications
• TUMonline, WiFi, eduroam, VPN, Email, LRZ
• FAQs & contact: https://www.it.tum.de/en/it-support/

User Guides, Manuals & More on IT Services at TUM: https://www.it.tum.de/en/info/documentation-manuals/

Manual on eduroam (WiFi):
https://wiki.tum.de/display/docs/eduroam+manuals

Printing & scanning:
https://www.it.tum.de/en/printing-scanning/
IT Services

TUMonline:
- Course registration
- Course information
- Access to course materials
- Exam registration
- Exam results and statistics
- Self-administration of your contact information
- Self-service printing options for documents (e.g. enrollment certificate, de-enrollment certificate, transcript of records, etc.)
- TUM email forwarding
- Access to the library and open software (e.g. office packages, citation tools, etc.)
IT Services

TUMonline:
• Please keep your address and your phone number up-to-date: https://wiki.tum.de/pages/viewpage.action?pageId=19411527
• Please print out or download your student documents (e.g. enrollment certificate, written confirmation for MVV and Deutsche Bahn, study progress certificate, confirmation of payment: https://wiki.tum.de/display/docs/Student+documents
• Check your student fee account status: https://wiki.tum.de/display/docs/Student+fee+account

Help on TUMonline:
• IT Guide: https://wiki.tum.de/display/docs/Students
• Manuals: https://www.wi.tum.de/downloads/
• Video-Tutorials on TUMonline: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCt1N35DWqveSp1XJmhopD9A
IT Services

Moodle:
• Learning Management System of the TUM
• online course rooms for lecturers to provide learning materials
• other different activities for communication, collaboration and self learning
• log in with your TUM Email address and TUMonline password
• https://www.moodle.tum.de/?lang=en

Lecturio:
• E-Learning Platform
• videos of recorded lectures of TUM School of Management
• https://www.lecturio.de/en
IT Services

IT at TUM Seminar

Topics:
- TUMonline
- Moodle
- eduroam Wi-Fi on Campus and downtown Munich
- free software (Windows, Office, …)
- 50 GB personal storage
- your TUM e-mail address, etc.

Currently there are no planned presentations, but you can download the slides from the link below.

You can find further information here: http://www.it.tum.de/en/for_students/
Confirmations

https://www.wi.tum.de/programs/confirmations/
University Library

- **Main Branch Library** at Main Campus
- further Branch Libraries in Munich, Garching, Freising and Straubing
- **study areas** (e.g. study carrels, group study rooms), computer workstations, internet access, scanning, printing and copying facilities
- library tours, lectures, workshops and courses for all students
- **StudentCard = Library Card**

More details can be found here: [https://www.ub.tum.de/en](https://www.ub.tum.de/en)
Student Union – Studentenwerk München

Student accommodation
- halls of residence
- e.g. Studentenstadt, Olympic Village Student Quarters

Food & Drinks
- cafeterias, canteens & espresso bars, e.g. Arcisstraße canteen, Audimax StuCafé
- current menu online: http://www.studentenwerk-muenchen.de/mensa/speiseplan/index-en.html
- payment with your StudentCard
Cultural activities

- Culture Bureau
- culture program: [http://www.studentenwerk-muenchen.de/en/culture/](http://www.studentenwerk-muenchen.de/en/culture/)

BAföG

- Germany's Federal Training Assistance Act
- BAföG Advice Service

Advice Services

- Scholarship Advice Service
- Advice for students with child
- Legal Advice Service
- Psychosocial and Psychotherapeutic Advice Service
Student Union – Studentenwerk München

Semester Ticket

Solidary Fee 67.40 Euro + IsarCard Semester 195.70 Euro = MVV-Semesterticket

- With a student card with MVV Logo, temporary transit authority within the MVV network
- Optional extension of your student card for unlimited rides without time restriction within the MVV network.
- Travelling within the MVV network for half a year at a low price.


Student Union – Studentenwerk München

- Monday to Friday from 6 pm to 6 am the following day
- Saturday, Sunday, on public holidays and on 24 and 31 December, without time restrictions
- Entitlement to travel within the entire MVV network
- Entitlement to travel 2nd class on all modes of transport that form part of the MVV public transportation network (S-Bahn, U-Bahn, trams, buses, and certain regional trains)
- Travel entitlement is valid from the first day to the last day of the respective semester

- The IsarCard Semester entitles students to unlimited travel within the entire MVV network.
- Entitlement to travel 2nd class on all modes of transport that form part of the MVV public transportation network (S-Bahn, U-Bahn, trams, buses, and certain regional trains)
- Travel entitlement is valid from the first day to the last day of the respective semester
- The IsarCard Semester is valid for the duration of one whole semester following day
Public Transportation

The MVV provides diverse means of transportation:

• **U-Bahn**: Munich’s underground network mainly runs in the inner circle of the MVV network. The only line which leaves the inner network circle is the underground line leading to Garching.

• **S-Bahn**: You can use the suburban train network to reach the outskirts of Munich.

• **Bus and Tram**: The bus and tram system in Munich is well developed. They are a good alternative to using the underground.

**MVG Bicycles:**

• Buy a bike or make use of the MVG bikes: [https://www.mvg.de/services/mobile-services/mvg-rad.html](https://www.mvg.de/services/mobile-services/mvg-rad.html)

• and explore Munich by bike: [https://www.muenchen.de/int/en/traffic/biking.html](https://www.muenchen.de/int/en/traffic/biking.html)

**Train:**

• Trains leave from “Hauptbahnhof”, “Ostbahnhof”, and “Pasing” to cities all over Europe.

• You can travel through Bavaria with the „Bayernticket“: [https://bahnland-bayern.de/de/tickets/uebersicht](https://bahnland-bayern.de/de/tickets/uebersicht)

Source: TUM International Student Guide
In order to continue your studies at the TUM, you must pay your semester fees within the designated period before the start of each semester:

- For the **winter semester**: No later than **August 15\(^{th}\)** (first-time enrollment in WS 2020/21: October 15\(^{th}\))
- For the **summer semester**: Not later than **February 15\(^{th}\)** (first-time enrollment March 15\(^{th}\))

Please note: If you have not paid your semester fees within the time frame, your enrollment at the university will be terminated automatically.

TUM Language Center

• Language courses
  – Courses in 17 languages every semester, e.g. English, German, Arabic, Chinese, Spanish…
  – free of charge
  – registration via TUMonline
  – first come, first served!

• Block courses during the semester breaks
• Writing Consulting - German & English
• Language Tests & Certificates
• TUMtandem
• Intercultural Communication

More details and program can be found here: http://www.sprachenzentrum.tum.de/en/homepage/
Fit for Studying in Germany

• Every day life at German University: successful communication with teachers, professors, fellow students and counselors as well as tips for dealing with “Culture Blues“ and Culture Shock.
  – Workshop in English: starting on November 13, 2020
• Registration via TUMonline

More details can be found here: http://www.sprachenzentrum.tum.de/en/special-programs/intercultural-communication/
University Sports Center Munich (ZHS)

- Campus Olympic Park
- each semester approx. **600 classes** e.g. in team sports, climbing, fitness and health, martial arts, dance, gymnastics, water and winter sports…
- further information and specific timetable can be found here: [https://www.zhs-muenchen.de/en/classes-in-munich/](https://www.zhs-muenchen.de/en/classes-in-munich/)
- **Fees**: please check each course individually
- all participants are required to have the **ZHS ID** and up-to-date **semester tags** (*Semestermarke*): [https://www.zhs-muenchen.de/en/zhs-id-tags/](https://www.zhs-muenchen.de/en/zhs-id-tags/)

More details and program can be found here: [https://www.zhs-muenchen.de/en/home/](https://www.zhs-muenchen.de/en/home/)
Learning strategies, study skills & coaching

Carl von Linde-Akademie:
• a wide range of seminars and workshops on general skills

“Selbstkompetenz stärken”:
• coaching offer for learning difficulties
• seminars on learning strategies

Pro Lehre:
• workshops on learning strategies and study skills (planning your learning process, learning techniques, exam preparation and self-organization)
Studying with disability or with family

Studying with disability:
• https://www.chancengleichheit.tum.de/en/inclusion/

Barrier-Free Education:
• https://www.tum.de/nc/en/studies/advising/barrier-free-education/

Studying with family:
• https://www.tum.de/en/studies/advising/students-with-families/

TUM-Kids, Family and Elder Care Center:
• https://www.chancengleichheit.tum.de/en/family/

Gender Equality Office:
• https://www.chancengleichheit.tum.de/en/gender-equality/
Spiritual life

A wide range of social events and courses are offered by the religious societies, e.g. salsa classes or discussion groups. Difficult time, suffering from exam stress or experiencing family problems? The societies are there to provide support.

Catholic Academic Society (KHG):
• [https://www.khg-tum.de/](https://www.khg-tum.de/)

Protestant Academic Society (EHG):
• [http://www.ehg-tum.de/](http://www.ehg-tum.de/)

Muslim Students’ Association (IHV):
• [http://ihv-muenchen.net/](http://ihv-muenchen.net/)
Get involved

Student council:
• https://tum-som.com/
• https://www.sv.tum.de/startseite/

Buddy Program (in the higher semesters):
• https://www.wi.tum.de/student-life/get-involved/

ExploreTUM (mentoring for prospective students):
• https://www.schueler.tum.de/studierende/

Academic Orchestras, Choirs & Bands:
Get involved

Student initiatives:

Students research groups:
• https://www.tum.de/en/university-life/student-life/student-research-groups/

Gastfreunde München:
• http://www.gastfreunde-muenchen.de/en/index.html
Try the famous slide in the MI building in Garching (*Parabelrutsche*):

- [https://vorkurse.ma.tum.de/UeberUns/Parabelrutsche](https://vorkurse.ma.tum.de/UeberUns/Parabelrutsche)

Have a drink or coffee in the „Café Vorhoelzer Forum“:

Good Online/Email Communication Practice, German Etiquette and Principles of Good Practice for Students
Email communication with professors

- The **content** and the **formulation** of your email should be **appropriate**
  - do not forget to include an informative subject line
  - start with a greeting using the professor's title and surname (see below)
  - remind the professor who you are
  - stick to the point
  - work on tone and be formal
  - make requests politely
  - read over your email for grammar, use proper punctuation, spell out words, write in complete sentences
  - end the email with a salutation (see below)

- Please use a suitable **form of address and salutation** (sign off) as well as your **signature**, e.g.:
  - Dear Professor Müller / Sehr geehrte(r) Professor Müller; Dear Dr. Müller / Sehr geehrte(r) Dr. Müller
  - Sincerely, Kind regards / Mit freundlichen Grüßen

- Some responses may **sound rude if they are too short**, even though this may be so only because you are short on time. Therefore, it is highly recommended that you **take the time** to think about how your message could sound to the receiver. Please follow the recommendation regardless of whether your communication partner sticks to the rule or not.

- Ways of communicating considered to be impolite: e.g. putting several punctuation marks one after another, using capitals only.
Email communication with administration

Tips for a good email communication with the administration are the same as above.

But please note some additional information:

• Please always check first if the information you are looking for is already answered in FAQs (https://www.wi.tum.de/faqs/) or in an Information Sheet (https://www.wi.tum.de/downloads/)

• Please use a suitable form of address and salutation (sign off), e.g.:
  – Dear Ms./Mr. Müller / Sehr geehrte(r) Frau/Herr Müller; Dear Sir/Madam / Sehr geehrte Damen und Herren
  – Sincerely, Kind regards / Mit freundlichen Grüßen

• Please include your matriculation number (Matrikelnummer) in your signature – it will help us a lot!
Hi dr greene,
What kind of requirements do i have to fulfill for the course registration?

Do I have to register via tumonline or you want for me an email or a test?

Could u please let me know ASAP? Thank you!!!!!!

Jon

~~~~~~*u’ll miss 100% of the shots u don’t take*~~~~~
Email communication with professors and administration

Belieff
Course selection and registration

Dear Ms. Kleinheinz,

I am a new student of Master in Management and Technology program. My matriculation number is 1234567.

I have problems with registration for courses. In some cases TUMonline shows that the maximum capacity is reached. Does it mean I cannot follow this course? Furthermore, I am not sure which courses should I choose and I want to discuss with you my course schedule. I would like to make an appointment with you. Could you please inform me when I can drop by?

Thank you for your time and patience.

Kind regards,

Jon Snow
(Matr. No. 1234567)
TUM email address

Please check your TUM mailbox regularly – we will notify you about important information and events in this way. If you want the emails to be forwarded to your private email address, please follow this guide, which explains in detail how to successfully complete the mailing process.

If possible, please use your TUM mailbox for the communication with TUM members.

Furthermore, please keep your phone number and your address up-to-date!

https://wiki.tum.de/pages/viewpage.action?pageId=19411464
German Etiquette

**Shaking hands**
Germans shake hands in formal/professional situations both when arriving and when departing. It is common for a person who is joining a group to shake hands with every single individual. Due to the Covid-19 situation, please refrain from shaking hands with anyone at the moment.

**Punctuality & Accuracy**
Germans can be extremely punctual. Be 5 to 10 minutes early for important appointments and be sure to call the people you are meeting if you really cannot make it in time. Furthermore, promises are made to be kept!

**Du and Sie**
*Du* is an informal and *Sie* a formal way of addressing to somebody. Please remember to use *Sie* in your communication with professors and administration. It is polite to address everyone by their family name and *Sie*. In general: *Du* + first name, *Sie* + family name
German Etiquette

Titles
Academic titles belong to the name, such as Herr Doktor Müller or Frau Professor Weise. In communication with professors please use their academic title and their surname. You should say Herr or Frau and the person's title and their surname.

Knocking
When entering an office, it is common to knock first and then enter the room immediately.

Knocking on the table instead of clapping
Students knock on the table after a lecture. The origin for that academic habit is unclear, research is vague and people have different opinions about how it originated.
Principles of Good Practice for Students

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- Take out a health insurance policy
- Pay the student fees
- Print out your enrollment documents
- Register your address at the Residence Registration Office
- Open a bank account
- Pick up your student card
- Find out about courses and register for classes
- Check out and participate in orientation activities
- Register at the TUM University Library
- From a non-EU country? Apply for residence permit
- Discover your new home (guided city tours, student council, language tandems, university sport...)

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