

Back on Campus: FAQ for the Start of the Fall Semester 2021

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Lectures and Exams

1. <u>How will classes be held at Munich Business School in the fall semester 2021?</u>

After three online and hybrid semesters, Munich Business School will return to face-to-face teaching in all programs in the fall term of 2021. Courses with students who cannot be on site in Munich due to visa and entry restrictions will also be <u>simultaneously transmitted</u> <u>online</u> so that they can participate in class virtually and there will be no learning setback once they continue their studies on campus.

2. <u>How can I attend classes if I cannot travel to Germany due to visa and/or entry</u> <u>restrictions?</u>

Students facing visa and entry restrictions can attend classes online at the same time as all other students. As soon as entry is possible, students can continue their studies at the MBS campus without any loss of learning or time.

3. How many persons will be in my courses?

In order to provide the best possible learning experience, MBS students usually learn in rather small courses. In light of the pandemic situation, we once again pay special attention to small group sizes. Classroom lectures at MBS have a maximum of 35 participants.

4. In what format will the exams take place?

Final exams starting end November will be conducted on campus. All course assessments due before the final exam period will be planned in such a way that they can be taken online as well as on campus according to the same assessment criteria.

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Hygiene Concept at Munich Business School

1. <u>How does MBS ensure safe face-to-face teaching? What are the hygiene measures?</u>

Munich Business School has a comprehensive hygiene concept. First, only students are allowed to enter MBS who have either been fully vaccinated with a vaccine approved in the EU, have a record of recovery, or have been tested negatively (<u>3-G strategy</u>). The proof of testing must be from the previous day at the most. Entry checks will be conducted at the main MBS entry (lobby on the ground floor) to monitor the 3-G-strategy. Please have your documents ready and plan your time accordingly.

In addition, <u>FFP2 masks are mandatory</u> on the entire MBS campus, including on the seats marked in the seminar and study rooms. Prior to entering rooms, students and university members are encouraged to check-in to the room using the German Corona-Warn-App and the QR code posted at the entrance area to ensure contact tracing in the event of a possible infection. Therefore, all MBS students should download the <u>federal government's</u> <u>Corona Warning app</u> on their smartphones. In addition, there is an increased cleaning frequency on the entire MBS campus and disinfectant is provided on all floors and restrooms.

2. What does the 3-G policy mean?

The 3 Gs stand for the three German words geimpft = vaccinated, genesen = recovered, and getestet = tested, and the 3-G policy means that only individuals who have proof of full vaccination coverage, recovery, or a current negative test result are allowed to enter the MBS campus and attend lectures on site.

3. Which vaccines are approved in the EU?

Currently approved vaccines are Comirnaty (BioNTech/Pfizer), COVID-19 Vaccine Moderna (Moderna), Vaxzevria (AstraZeneca), COVID-19 Vaccine Janssen (Johnson & Johnson, Janssen-Cilag) zugelassen. This means Sputnik V und SinoVac vaccinations unfortunately cannot be accepted at this time.

4. <u>Can I come to the MBS campus if I am not vaccinated?</u>

Yes, with a current negative test certificate (maximum from the previous day!) or proof of COVID-19 recovery, persons without (complete) vaccination protection can also visit the MBS campus.

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5. <u>How can I prove that I am recovered?</u>

For recovered individuals, there are two groups.

Persons who have overcome a COVID-19 infection *within the past six months* can prove that they have recovered by using the positive PCR test that detected the infection at that time. This is, of course, provided that the individuals are symptom-free at this time and the seclusion period associated with the test result has already passed.

If the infection occurred *more than six months ago*, vaccination is required in addition to the positive PCR test, but with only one vaccine dose.

6. Do I have to show a negative test result if I have to proof of COVID-19 recovery?

No, persons who have proof of recovery do not need to additionally present a negative test result to gain entry to the MBS campus. However, please note that the proof of recovery is only valid for six months. The start date is the date of the positive PCR test result. After the six-month period, proof of current negative test results or full vaccination protection must be presented. Recovered individuals need only one vaccination to develop full vaccine protection, so they are considered fully vaccinated as early as day 15 after initial vaccination.

7. <u>How is my proof of vaccination, recovery or testing checked?</u>

At the main entrance of MBS, daily entry checks are carried out by qualified staff. Here, students who wish to enter MBS must show either their vaccination, recovery or test certificate. Please have your documents ready and allow extra time as there may be a wait due to the checks. Individuals who have full vaccination protection will receive a stamp on their Student ID upon entering MBS for the first time, which will then guarantee future entry. For this reason, the Student ID must be carried at all times. Individuals who are not fully vaccinated will show proof of a negative test result no older than the previous day or their proof of recovery at the entrance check. (For information on which tests are accepted, see the next section.)

Vaccination and Testing Opportunities on MBS Campus

1. Is there a vaccination offer for MBS students?

Yes, MBS will conduct its own vaccination campaign with BioNTech/Pfizer on the MBS campus at the end of August and September. On August 31 as well as September 30, all

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MBS students can get vaccinated for free. All you need is your ID and, if available, your international vaccination certificate. If you are interested in being vaccinated, please contact us as soon as possible via <u>info@munich-business-school.de</u>.There is no vaccination obligation at MBS, nevertheless vaccination is an important step to enable face-to-face teaching according to the 3-G campus policy.

2. <u>Can I take advantage of the MBS vaccination offer if I have already been vaccinated</u> <u>with Sputnik/Sinovac?</u>

This is a medical question that cannot be answered by the university. In order to obtain an appropriate assessment, we ask you to consult with your family doctor or the responsible vaccination center.

3. <u>Where can I get tested near the MBS campus and how much do the tests cost?</u>

Testing opportunities are available within walking distance of MBS. Apotheke West 4, Elsenheimerstraße 49, offers free testing from Monday to Friday, 10 am to 3 pm, and Saturdays from 9 am to 1 pm. <u>Here</u> is an overview of other rapid test options in Munich. As of October 11, rapid tests will be subject to a fee in Germany for people who have received an offer of vaccination but still do not want to be vaccinated.

4. Which tests are accepted by Munich Business School?

MBS accepts PCR tests and PoC antigen test (also called rapid tests). The decisive factor for the acceptance of the tests is that the negative test result is not older than the previous day.

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