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Dear Students,

Welcome to Freie Universität Berlin! We are delighted that you have chosen to participate in the EinS@FU program.

In the upcoming academic year, you will have the opportunity to choose among courses from more than forty study programs, to try out different fields, and to identify your interests and abilities. This experience will help you in making a well-informed and confident decision about your future studies.

These are indeed strange times to launch this new phase of your life as a student. The pandemic, but also the war in Ukraine have altered everyday life in ways no one could have predicted – and that includes life on campus and throughout the world of education. It has been a challenging time for all of us in many respects, which gives us all the more reason to congratulate you on your decision to study at Freie Universität Berlin. Rest assured, our dedicated staff is here for you to help you find your way and support you as you make the transition into student life at Freie Universität.

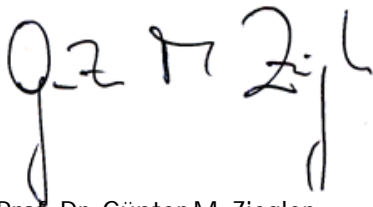
We encourage you to be curious and open, and to take full advantage of the wide range of courses and orientation activities offered in the EinS@FU program. Our teaching staff and students are here to support you and answer any questions you might have about which course of study is right for you.

We are writing this letter in May 2022 in the face of developments related to the pandemic that can suddenly force an unexpected change of plans. At this point, we are working under the assumption that your first semester at Freie Universität – the 2022/23 winter semester – will involve a significant amount of teaching and learning activities on campus, even if this is still in combination with digital education and services. We are well aware that it is important to be able to experience things in person, especially when you are starting a new phase of your life or learning something new. That is why we are doing our best to make sure that the university and its campus continue to be a place that you can experience in person to the extent that the present situation allows.

We are currently finalizing our plans for which courses will be offered in the various departments of our university, so please check the university's website regularly for the latest updates regarding your studies. There you will find answers to questions about the content and the structure of your degree program as well as where things stand with our preparations for the 2022/23 winter semester.

We wish you a great start and an exciting and successful time in the Eins@FU program!

Sincerely,



Prof. Dr. Günter M. Ziegler
President



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