



# **Guidelines for the use of webcams during classes and examinations**

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## **Use of webcams during online events**

The University of Basel's guidelines for the use of webcams during online events are as follows:

- The University of Basel asks students to turn on their cameras for interactive formats such as seminars, as audio and video interaction is a prerequisite for a successful event.
- There may be reasons why students prefer to turn off their cameras, particularly as not all students have the necessary technical equipment. The use of cameras is therefore not compulsory. The minimum requirement according to the Student Regulations, however, is that the real name and, if possible, a photograph of each participant is displayed.
- Students and lecturers are asked to discuss this issue and find a solution that is acceptable to all concerned.

## **Use of webcams during online examinations**

The guidelines for the use of webcams during online examinations are as follows:

- The University of Basel may insist that cameras be turned on during written online examinations.
- In this event, students always have the alternative of sitting the examination on site at the University of Basel if they prefer to do so.