Dear staff members and colleagues,

The incidence figures in Germany and Heidelberg remain stable at a low level, as reflected in the current versions of the Coronavirus Ordinances of the State of Baden-Württemberg. Accordingly, at its latest meeting, the Rectorate took the appropriate decisions to implement these provisions for Heidelberg University.

New arrangements for on-campus lectures/classes for students
The State Coronavirus Ordinances now provide for further steps to ease procedural restrictions, particularly for on-campus events/classes in the area of Student Affairs and Teaching. For example, as long as participants keep to the minimum distance from each other in lectures/classes and examinations, they may now do without wearing a mask at their seat. The mask is no longer mandatory for lecturers, either, as long as they observe the required distance. Furthermore, under certain conditions it is possible to relax the observance of the minimum distance in classes, but then a mask becomes mandatory, including when seated, and the “GGG” obligation (“tested, vaccinated, recovered”) also applies.

All further changes are set out, as usual, on the university’s central coronavirus website.

Preparing for the winter semester on campus
Heidelberg University assumes that the coming semester can, and will, take place on campus. This being so, I warmly encourage you again to avail yourself of one of the many opportunities for vaccination against COVID-19.

An increasing number of possible appointments are available to you both in the central vaccination centres and in local doctors’ offices. At the same time, the university publishes the latest vaccination opportunities especially for members of the university on a central website. In this context I would like to draw your attention to the upcoming vaccination drives of the City of Heidelberg and the Health Department of the Rhine-Neckar District.
Our Coronavirus Service Portal continues to be at your disposal for all further concerns around the topic of Covid-19:
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All the best and stay healthy!

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