



## **Newsletter of Student Parliament**

**– November 2020 –**

Dear fellow students,

Just in time for the start of the coming winter semester 2020/21, we, your student parliament, have prepared a newsletter for you to give you an insight into our work in the university policy field during the last months of the lecture-free period.

### **Welcome dear first-year students!**

We are pleased to welcome many new first-time students to the CAU this semester. Despite the current situation, we wish you a pleasant start to your studies and hope you settle in well! At the CAU, students elect their student representatives each year in June. These include us, the Student Parliament (StuPa). The 21 members from 8 different lists discuss current issues across faculties, make decisions and lobby for student concerns. If you are interested in politics concerning universities, please visit our website at [www.stupa.uni-kiel.de](http://www.stupa.uni-kiel.de) or come directly to one of our digital meetings (more information below).

### **NEWS:**

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#### **Semester ticket fee reduction**

Due to the reduction in VAT on rail transport, the semester fee has been reduced. The students' parliament has adopted the amendment to the fees statutes. Thus, the new student body contribution amounts to € 203.50 for the summer semester 2021 and € 209.50 for the winter semester 2021/22. This means that your contribution will be €10 lower for the next two semesters.

#### **Application for registration of grades**

In the past semesters, there has often been the problem that professors or lecturers haven't entered exam grades in time after the correction period. Up to now, however, there has been no possibility of sanctioning this. For this reason, the student body has asked the university's Presidential Board to introduce a regulation to prevent this from happening in future.

#### **Demo Study Financing and #Solidaritätigwerden**

The corona pandemic has not only changed the course of studies, but also the entire everyday life of students. Many students were faced with sudden financial and organisational challenges. The AStA has reacted to this and joined the nationwide alliance Solidarsemester (Solidarity Semester), which provides for numerous measures to finance studies and improve study opportunities, and has demonstrated this in Berlin (<https://solidarsemester.de/>). The #Solidaritätigwerden campaign is planned for the coming winter semester, which is intended to draw attention to existing problems at the CAU.

### **Better networking between StuPa, AStA and FVK planned**

Students at the CAU are represented at several levels: The Student Council is your first point of contact for all questions and issues concerning your degree programme. The overall representation of all students is the responsibility of the General Students' Committee (AStA), which is elected by the Students' Parliament (StuPa).

All student councils are networked with each other in the Student Council Conference (FVK) and there is a student council department in the AStA, because the different levels of representation can achieve the most when they work together.

In order to further improve this cooperation, regular topic-related meetings of representatives from the FVK, AStA and StuPa will be held from November 2020 onwards.

### **NEXT MEETING**

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**The next StuPa meeting will take place on 23 November 2020 from 18:30. Due to contact restrictions, the meeting will be held as an online session. If you would like to join the meeting, you will find a joining link on our homepage on the day of the meeting from 18:00.**

*Further dates of Parliament and committee meetings, as well as invitations and minutes of the meetings can be found on our homepage [www.stupa.uni-kiel.de](http://www.stupa.uni-kiel.de). Soon the minutes of the meetings will be published there in both German and English. If you have any questions about the work of the student parliament, please feel free to contact us at any time at [praesidium@stupa.uni-kiel.de](mailto:praesidium@stupa.uni-kiel.de).*

Your StuPa Presidium

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### **GOOD-TO-KNOW-FACT:**

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#### **How do your topics get into the StuPa?**

The StuPa issues the statutes of the student body, elects the AStA and decides on the budget of the student body. The StuPa also discusses how the CAU student body positions itself on higher education policy issues.

A topic does not receive the attention it deserves and the student body should deal with it? Every student at the CAU can submit motions to the Student Parliament. This can be done simply by sending an e-mail to [praesidium@stupa.uni-kiel.de](mailto:praesidium@stupa.uni-kiel.de).

If you have a cool project or a great idea from which many students could benefit, you can apply to the budget committee of the parliament for financial support for your project. This is also easy to do by sending an e-mail to [haushaltsausschuss@stupa.uni-kiel.de](mailto:haushaltsausschuss@stupa.uni-kiel.de).

You want to apply for funding or send in a motion but don't know how to do it? If so, you are welcome to contact us and we will help you with your application.