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■ **Dear students of the International MA-Program Religious Studies,**

We would like to take this opportunity to welcome you and are very much looking forward to starting the winter semester 2022 with you on Monday, October 10th!

This semester, we are excited to invite you to a personal welcome meeting for first-year MA-students. Join us on

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- **Monday, October, 10th from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 a.m.**
for an introductory event with an overview of the content of the program and explanations of the organization of the study program and the timetable.

(Address: ZWE CERES, Universitätsstr. 90a, ground floor, Meeting-Room Turfan 0.13 - Subway Station: Wasserstraße)

Additionally, we offer a virtual introduction via Zoom on the same day for all first-year students who are unable to attend the event.

The **online event** on October 10th will take place from **4:00 to 6:00 p.m. (German time)** via the platform **'Zoom'**. Below you will find the access data that you have to enter into your internet browser. Make sure you have a stable internet connection:

■ **Thema: Master Introduction Winter Term 2022/23**

Time: October, 10th, 2022 4:00 PM Amsterdam, Berlin, Rom, Stockholm, Wien

Join Zoom-Meeting

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/71548605810?pwd=6AMemiJxaoaXkcGEmrxinwtYrirFq2.1>

Meeting-ID: 715 4860 5810

Kenncode: WpS4yC

To make it a little easier for you to get started in Religious Studies, we have provided an introduction course with short podcasts and the most important information for first semester students on the teaching platform 'Moodle'. Please take a look at these video courses prior to the introductory session. The most frequently asked questions about studying are answered there.

To register for the Moodle course, please visit <https://moodle.ruhr-uni-bochum.de/m/login/signup.php?lang=en> and log in with your Ruhr-University LoginID. Students receive their LoginID automatically upon enrolment therefore it should be included in your enrolment documents. As soon as you are logged in, you will find the field "Kurssuche" (Course search) on the right side. There, please search for [Religious Studies - Welcome and Information for New Students \(210065-Winter Term 2022/23\)](#) and register for the course. The password for this particular Moodle course is **"Religion"**. If you are not yet enrolled as a student of the Ruhr-University create an account on the following page: <https://moodle.ruhr-uni-bochum.de/m/login/signup.php?lang=en>

Please also check our homepage <https://ceres.rub.de/en/> for further information. It is helpful to familiarize yourself with the documents of the study program, which you can find on our homepage at <https://ma.ceres.rub.de/en/program/documents/>. Here you will also find an [F.A.Q.](#), through which many frequently asked questions about the beginning of the study can already be clarified.

In order to be always up to date about changes in the course catalogue, office hours of lecturers, events of the Student Representatives, and much more, you should subscribe to the mailing list: <http://lists.ruhr-uni-bochum.de/mailman/listinfo/relwiss-info>.

The study coordination also offers a WhatsApp group, in which important information about studying at our institute and events are announced. In addition, a link to a Master WhatsApp group for socialising and networking with your fellow students will be announced via the information group. You can join the group via the following link: <https://chat.whatsapp.com/KVYja0tNAEz4hUmN6ADk5s>

You will be able to attend and study a wide range of seminars. For the first time within three semesters, we are able to hold individual lectures in attendance in compliance with the rules (Vaccinated, Tested, Recovered + general safety rules + Ruhr-University-regulations). However, for first semester students there will be online-based course offerings, so that students who are not in Germany, yet, can still start their studies at our programme. Campus-wide, you can inform yourself about current developments in studying and teaching at the Ruhr-Universität on the following website: <https://www.ruhr-uni-bochum.de/en/faq-students-202122>

If you have further questions or problems, please do not hesitate to contact the student assistants, Michelle Dieren, Sarah Rautert and Bernadette Ennemoser of our Study Counselling service. You can reach them by e-mail at koordinationrelwiss@rub.de.

In addition to this e-mail contact, the study coordination offers office hours either virtually via Zoom or in presence after prior arrangement by mail. You can find more information about the office hours here:

<https://studium.ceres.rub.de/de/beratung/studienberatung/>

You can also contact your Student Representatives (Fachschaftsrat) for Religious Studies, by e-mail at religionswiss.fachschaft@googlemail.com. On Facebook you will find your Student Representatives on the page "Fachschaft Religionswissenschaft der Ruhr-Universität Bochum" (<https://www.facebook.com/FSR.Relwiss.Bochum/>) as well as in the group "Religionswissenschaft in Bochum". On Instagram you can find them via @fsr_relwiss_bo.

And now we wish you a good start into your first semester and are looking forward to getting to know you soon - virtually or in person!

With kind regards,



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