



#SemesterHack 2.0

12.+13. November 2020



Hochschulforum
Digitalisierung

DAAD  KI-Campus

Info for Participants of #SemesterHack 2.0

How it started

Once upon a time in May of 2020, we reunited around 1.000 participants from many different universities in Germany for an online hackathon. During two days, students, university teachers and managers worked together to elaborate creative and innovative solutions to the challenges in the digital spring semester. 76 projects were submitted, and the best couple of them were rewarded with a prize and funding by the Federal Ministry of Education and Research.

In the context of the global DigiEduHack, we wanted to offer this opportunity again and elevate it to an international level. We have again teamed up with Hochschulforum Digitalisierung, German Academic Exchange Service and AI Campus to have experienced and renowned partners for this online hackathon. Furthermore, several higher education institutions support #SemesterHack 2.0 with a partnership.

How it's designed

The digital winter semester has started for many and still there are unresolved issues that need to be tackled. You surely know some of them from your own experience. Why don't you take the matters into your own hands? We invite you to **join the #SemesterHack 2.0 from 12th to 13th of November 2020** to work in teams on solutions and concepts to move digital higher education to the next base.

Our subject clusters give you an idea of the scope:

- Digital Teaching: qualification, realization, digital assessments and more
- Collaborative work and practical projects
- Virtual mobility and digital internationalisation
- Digital campus life: peer support, student participation, student advisory services and more
- Educational equity and accessibility
- Digital tools and data protection
- AI in higher education
- Digitally enhanced research
- Digital knowledge and literature supply

Our aim: We want to bring together people from various institutions to collaboratively work on user-driven ideas.

We offer 3 levels of involvement, depending on your time and commitment. We also welcome you as a group (e.g. with your seminar).

Important: Programming skills are not required! It's more relevant to be open, a teamplayer and motivated.

→ **Participant:** You simply work on a proposed idea together with a team.

→ **Idea facilitator:** You propose an idea and actively support the participants that assign to your idea in forming a team. Ideas may be concepts, research questions, tools... [Use this form to submit your idea.](#)

→ **Mentor:** You support the project teams occasionally with your expertise, e.g. as an advisor or with short inputs. Declare your interest per mail at semesterhack@hochschulforum.org.

How it works

Until Friday, 6th of November

- [Registration via DigiEduHack website](#) (regardless how you plan to join)
- [Submission of ideas](#)
- Detailed participant briefing for hackathon days

Monday, 9th of November

- Invitation to our Hackathon platform (Mattermost)
- Publication of submitted ideas
- Start off the team building phase: browse the ideas and assign to one (or more)

Thursday, 12th of November *

- Kick-off Hackathon
- Second chance: find a team

Friday, 13th of November *

- Submission of solutions on DigiEduHack website

Friday, 20th of November

- Awarded prizes to the jury-chosen, best solutions

*Please note that you don't have to be active for the whole time. It's useful to communicate your possible working hours with your team members.

Any questions?

Feel free to contact us via semesterhack@hochschulforum.org.