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1.   Evaluation of lectures and seminars using EvaSys

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The registration system for evaluating lectures and seminars of the summer semester 2025 is open until 17 January 2025.

https://www.qsl.uni-wuppertal.de/de/evaluation-und-befragungen/evasys-lehrveranstaltungsevaluation/anmeldung-einer-lvb/ (in German available only)

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2.   Call for proposals: Freiraum 2026

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The Stiftung Innovation in der Hochschullehre is again funding projects that focus on students' learning process. Both students and lecturers can submit applications. https://stiftung-hochschullehre.de/foerderung/freiraum/ (in German available only)

Proposals can be submitted between 10 and 20 February 2025 via the foundation's portal.

For the first part of the selection procedure, Department 6.3 offers support in the formulation of a project proposal of approx. 1500 characters (you can download a pdf file with guiding questions for preparation here: https://dez6.uni-wuppertal.de/de/formulare/) (in German available only)

A project proposal placed in the Freiraum 2026 competition cannot be submitted simultaneously in one of the funding lines of the Innovationsfond Lehre (Teaching Innovation Fund) (see section 3).

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3.   Call for proposals: Innovationfond Lehre 2025&26

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The Rectorate also promotes teaching innovations through an internal competition.

The funding line "BUW Lehrinnovationen" (BUW Teaching Innovations), gives lecturers of the University of Wuppertal the opportunity to develop and test innovations on issues location-related issues and to evaluate their effectiveness. The funding line "QSP+" and "Lehrimpulse" (Teaching Impulses) complement the portfolio for smaller projects. https://uni-w.de/uxe6s (in German available only)

Proposals for "BUW Lehrinnovationen" (BUW Teaching Innovations) can be submitted between 10 and 20 February 2025 to the Vice-rector for Studies and Teaching between 10 and 20 February 2025 via Department 6.3 (soelau@uni-wuppertal.de).

At the first stage of the selection procedure, Department 6.3 offers support in formulating short project outlines of a maximum of 1,500 characters. The text of the invitation to tender is available online: https://dez6.uni-wuppertal.de/de/formulare/

Please note that a project proposal placed in one of the three funding lines of the Teaching Innovation Fund cannot be submitted to the Freiraum 2026 competition at the same time.

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4.   Lehramt PLUS

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The programme LehramtPLUS offers all undergraduate and graduate students aiming to become teachers the following events: a variety of teaching-related workshops, online lectures, film evenings, excursions, and information meetings. The practice-oriented programme is based on the topics and concerns of the students. The offer forms no part of the curriculum. Therefore, students cannot receive any credit points. However, they will receive a certificate.

You can find the current programme here: https://soe.uni-wuppertal.de/de/service/lehramtplus/

Some events require a registration. Dates and registration links can be found in the event descriptions.

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5.   VPN change

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From now on, students and employees of the university can use the new VPN solution from Cisco (vpn.uni-wuppertal.de). It replaces the previous VPN application Ivanti (formerly PulseSecure) as well as the browser-based WebVPN. Both will be turned off on 31 January 2025 for license and security reasons. This means:

- If you have had problems with the old applications so far, we would like to encourage you to try the new VPN solution now.
- As the web-based VPN will also be turned off, VPN access will then only be possible via the client application Cisco Secure Client (formerly AnyConnect).
- In future, two-factor authentication (2FA) will also be available exclusively via the new Cisco VPN.

Instructions for installing and using the new VPN access:

https://zim.uni-wuppertal.de/de/unsere-dienste/netzzugang/vpn-aussenzugang/ (in German available only)

If you need assistance, please contact the ZIM user advisory service as usual.

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