# Course Information - Self-study IT and Information systems

The syllabus provides guidance for the content of this subject. The syllabus is however somewhat unclear, so you will find more specific information here.

What is the “Self-study IT an Information system” about?

* Throughout the semester, you will immerse yourself in a chosen topic within IT and information systems.
* You should work alone or in pairs.
* To get an overview of the topic, you must search for information and literature (research reports, popular science articles, newspaper articles, textbooks, etc.) in the library's databases and online.
  + The library has published information about literature search (link can be found on Canvas)
  + The library also offers individual help with literature search.
* As part of the self-study, you must write a theoretical report, in which you shed light on the topic / problem.
* The report is submitted at the end of the semester.

The report:

* You must submit a written work in which you present the topic / problem.
* You must define concepts, explain what is known about the topic, possibly what is not known, as well as what challenges/problems or opportunities are discussed and/or researched.
  + You will find a more detailed overview / help to structure the work in Canvas.
* The report should not exceed 20 pages (including front page, table of contents, bibliography, etc.).

Guidance, deadlines etc.:

* The syllabus states that a professional supervisor is appointed. This is not the case.
  + However, I can discuss topics / issues with you (at a broad level), and I can help you with the structure in the report.
* Once you have decided whether you want to write alone or with a fellow student, as well as what topic you want to immerse yourself in, send an e-mail to me. In this message, you state your name and student number and present the topic you have chosen in a short version.
  + I will then register and approve the topic and you can start with the «self-study».
* It is possible to adjust the topic/problem along the way, if you think it is necessary/desirable after reading up on existing theory and research.
  + However, it is not recommended to change the theme completely, as this only delays the work.
* Deadlines for reporting on topics, partners and submission of the final report are published in Canvas.

Good luck with the course «Self-study IT and Information Systems»

Regards

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