

## Good teaching at the KU

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### Promotion of teaching development: KU Teaching Lab

Four funding lines have been developed to provide incentives for developing new teaching and learning concepts by start-up funding programs:

- Reduction of teaching hours
- Staff support
- Financial support
- Advice and training

Information on the funding lines and the application process is available here:

- [KU Teaching Lab EN](#)
- [Application form for funding program of the KU Teaching Lab](#)

(Please download the form to your PC as it cannot be completed online)

### Downloads

- [Application form](#)

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For a detailed description of all **funding lines and instruments at the KU** please click here:

- [KU Teaching Lab EN](#)

### Promotion of teaching development: Developing modules with the Bavarian Virtual University vhb

Preparation work and conceptualization of online teaching offers in the context of an application procedure for the funding lines “vhb classic” and “open vhb” can be supported with up to € 3,000.

For more detailed information on the application process at the vhb, visit: <https://vhb.org>

### Prize for good teaching

The prize for good teaching (sponsored by the Liga-Bank-Stiftung) is awarded for already implemented formats that can serve as best practice examples at the KU. It is awarded in the categories ‘innovation’ and ‘KU profile’. All KU members who carry out a teaching profession at the KU or who are responsible for the teaching practice are eligible for this prize. It is explicitly pointed out that classical lectures combined with a good service for the students (quick e-mail response etc.) are not sufficient for being awarded a prize. Rather, innovative teaching/learning concepts are expected in which students can develop many of their own activities to acquire skills and/or which are research-oriented and demonstrably more efficient in terms of their effectiveness regarding factors such as motivation, understanding and learning progress.

The award winners for the *Dies Academicus* ceremony are chosen by a jury appointed by the vice president for studies and teaching and consisting of the contact person for the University Teaching Methodology, a representative from the non-professorial academic staff, a representative from the Student Representative Council, the head of the Department of Communication and Marketing and the vice president for studies and teaching.

Application documents shall be submitted **by August 31 of each year** by e-mail to [praesidentin\(at\)ku.de](mailto:praesidentin(at)ku.de) or by mail to the University Management and shall include a presentation of the proposal **which is no longer than one DIN A4 page** and the **answers to the set of questions**.

## University Teaching Forum

*Round table 'Good Teaching – Good Studies'*

The “Round Table: Good Teaching – Good Studies” was introduced following the suggestion of the deans of studies. Lecturers and students from different faculties investigate the question of what characterizes “good teaching – good learning” in their view and within the respective academic cultures. As a rule, the group is invited by the vice president for studies and teaching and convenes once every summer semester. The exchange seeks to promote further discussion within the University, from which suggestions for established and new teaching and learning formats can be derived and passed on.

Results of past round tables (in German):

- [Forschendes Lernen – zum Zusammenhang von Hochschuldidaktik und Hochschulkonzeption](#)
- [Forschendes Lernen KU](#)

*University Teaching Day*

Once every year of studies (generally in the winter semester), KU lecturers and students are invited to attend the University Teaching Day: On the basis of themed input provided by external experts, impulses and opportunities for quality development are discussed in workshops and best practice examples and/or supported teaching concepts are presented.

- [Keynote on „Tag der Lehre. Bildung mit MehrWert. engagiert. digital. kreativ.“](#)

## University Teaching Methodology

In addition, the KU's University Teaching Methodology program is another valuable instrument for the promotion and further development of the teaching practice. Obtaining the certificate “*Zertifikat Hochschullehre Bayern*” provides proof of your didactic skills up to a high professional level (“specialization level”).