TU9 Universities take a stand for cosmopolitanism, respect and tolerance.

Universities are open communities based on mutual tolerance and respect. TU9 Universities stand for science excellence made in Germany. Excellence in science is based on independence, diversity in opinion and culture, and freedom of expression; it flourishes in environments that embrace the broadest diversity of people, and is based on the values of inclusion, civility, and respect.

At TU9 Universities, scientists work in international research groups, gaining knowledge and fueling technological developments that are essential for the innovative power and potential of German science. TU9 Universities welcome students from all over Germany and around the world. We provide open-minded learning environments in the shared context of a richly diverse society. Our equitable communities are diverse, inclusive, and protect their members’ human rights. The sharing and transfer of knowledge, and critical exchange in a culture of openness and respect are the pillars on which those communities rest. The evidence-based process that is science is based on and intricately tied to a commitment to freedom of speech and expression, tolerance and respect. TU9 Universities are defined by their diversity and condemn all forms of racism and discrimination.

“Human dignity shall be inviolable. (...) The German people therefore acknowledge inviolable and inalienable human rights as the basis of every community, of peace and of justice in the world. (...). Every person shall have the right to free development of his personality insofar as he does not violate the rights of others or offend against the constitutional order or the moral law. (...) Every person shall have the right to life and physical integrity. Freedom of the person shall be inviolable. (...) No person shall be favoured or disfavoured because of sex, parentage, race, language, homeland and origin, faith, or religious or political opinions.”

German Basic Law (Grundgesetz), Articles 1-3

TU9 Universities affirm their profound commitment to these values of an open and equal society. We will continue to emphatically take a stand against any form of social marginalization and exclusion.