

## KIT Is Top in CHE University Ranking

**Studies Conditions and Research Reputation in Mechanical Engineering Are Rated Excellent**

In the current university ranking of the Center for University Development (CHE), Karlsruhe Institute of Technology (KIT) is ranked excellent in the subject of mechanical engineering. In the category of “Overall Studies Situation”, it is in the top group. Moreover, mechanical engineering at KIT is characterized by a close vicinity to research and industry. As regards the research reputation, the subjects of electrical engineering, chemical engineering, and civil engineering are also ranked top.

KIT’s mechanical engineering is ranked top in the categories of “Research Reputation” and “Overall Studies Situation” among others. As in the past years, science orientation and job orientation were rated excellent by the students.

As regards the category of “Research Reputation”, also other technical subjects of KIT are ranked in the top group, namely, electrical engineering, chemical engineering, and civil engineering.

The CHE university ranking covers more than 300 universities and universities of applied sciences in Germany, Austria, Switzerland, and the Netherlands. Apart from criteria relating to studies, teaching, equipment, and research, the ranking is based on judgments of more than 250,000 students regarding the conditions of the studies at their university. Every year, the ranking newly evaluates one third of the disciplines. In 2013, these were architecture, civil engineering, electrical engineering and information technology, mechanical engineering/process technology/chemical engineering, German studies, English/American studies, psychology, history, pedagogics, and Romance studies.

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