Web 2.0 service	Advantages	Disadvantages	Use in Leipzig
Wikipedia.de	 Free No registration required Over 1.4 million articles Apps for mobile devices 	 Validity of results partly disputed Majority of articles are non- medical 	 Not directly integrated into the curriculum Frequently used by medical students
YouTube	 Free In widespread use among students for private purposes Apps for mobile devices Can be integrated into university's own portal 	 Not yet widely used in teaching No direct link to medicine Registration required to upload files 	 Posting of training videos for medical students and the general public Integrated into the faculty's student portal
Facebook	 World's biggest social network Free Very popular among students Possibility to set up your own pages Apps for mobile devices 	 Focus is primarily on private life No direct link to medicine Registration required Adaptation to own requirements very limited 	 Facebook pages used by for example LernKlinik Leipzig and student council Facebook event function used for various events and elective courses Facebook groups used by individual semesters, course groups and departments University has its own official Facebook page; Facebook is also used by the alumni network
StudiVZ/MeinVZ	Largest social network from Germany	Number of users has significantly declined	 Special profiles used by LernKlinik Leipzig and student
	• Free	• Focus is primarily on private life	council etc

	Apps for mobile devices	No direct link to medicine	Group function used by
		 Registration required Adaptation to own requirements very limited 	individual semesters and course groups
XING	 Aimed at professionals and graduates Almost no fake accounts 	 Paid premium accounts Not widely used by medical students No direct link to medicine Registration required Adaptation to own requirements very limited 	 Official University Leipzig XING page; XING also used by alumni network XING event function used by alumni network
Leipzig-Medizin.de	 Local portal Nearly all students from Leipzig are registered Direct link to medical degree Free Not just forum but many other possibilities (downloads, news, blogs, etc) Can be adapted to own needs 	 Registration required Website administration is time- consuming and requires manpower Porting of projects and scripts to other faculties very limited 	 Forum used to discuss lectures and seminars, past exam papers and general topics related to studying medicine Download portal filled by students Blogs can be written Linked to specific pages and groups in Facebook and StudiVZ/MeinVZ
Student portal of the	Local portal	Website administration is time-	 Integrated into degree
Faculty of Medicine, University Leipzig	 All students from Leipzig are registered (a user account is created when new students enrol) Free 	consuming and requires manpower • Porting of projects and scripts to other faculties very limited	 programme Integration of YouTube for individual training videos Integration of external e-learning content (e.g. INMEDEA

	Integrated into medical degree		Simulator)
	courses		 Expansion and integration of
	Can be adapted to own needs		other social media elements
	(including smooth integration of		planned
	Web 2.0 components)		
Google Drive	FreeEnables efficient teamworkApps for mobile devices	 Registration required Not yet widespread among students 	 Used by a few workgroups and postgraduates as well as the student council of the Faculty of
			Medicine at University Leipzig