



TO: STAFF AND STUDENTS

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SUBJECT: RETURN OF STUDENTS TO THE UNIVERSITY OWNED RESIDENCES AND UNIVERSITY-LEASED RESIDENCES DURING ALERT LEVEL 2

- 1 The President of the Republic, Mr. Ramaphosa has announced that the country should be moved to alert level 2 of the risk adjusted strategy by midnight on 17 August 2020. The Minister of Higher Education, Science and Innovation has announced sometime back that each University would be allowed to bring back a total of 66% of the total student headcount to the campus during alert level 2.
- 2 Informed by the above, the Executive Committee of Senate (ECS) met on 20 August 2020 to discuss the matter, and resolved to bring back to the University owned residences and University leased residences the students as follows guided by the 66% maximum limit allowable:

| Programme and Year Level | Schools | Return date |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|
| 1. BPharm III and II | School of Pharmacy | 25 August 2020 |
| 2. BSc (Diet) III and II | School of Health Care Sciences | 26 August 2020 |
| 3. B Occupational Therapy III and II | | 26 August 2020 |
| 4. BSLPA III and II | | 26 August 2020 |
| 5. Bachelor of Nursing II | | 25 August 2020 |
| 6. BSc (Physiotherapy) III and II | | 26 August 2020 |
| 7. BSc II (including BSC ECP III) | | School of Science and Technology |
| 8. MBCHB IV | School of Medicine | 25 August 2020 |
| 9. MBCHB II | | 25 August 2020 |
| 10. BDS III and BDS II | School of Oral Health Sciences | 28 August 2020 |

- 3 In addition to the above, a limited number of vulnerable students at an undergraduate level, who were supposed to have returned under alert level 3 will be returned, subject to the 66% maximum allowable limit. The list will be finalised by the Deputy Vic-Chancellor: Teaching, Learning and Community Engagement, in consultation with the Deans.
- 4 Since inter-provincial travel permits are no longer required for these students to return under alert level 3, the Office of the Registrar will submit the lists of registered students in the above programmes to the Security Department and Student Affairs

and Residences Division for them to manage the students who will be coming into the campuses and their respective residences. **Students who are not enrolled for the programmes on the list provided above will not be allowed into the University-owned residences or University-leased residences.**

- 5 Unless if identified as vulnerable, from the above, just over 2000 or so students are still to remain at home as follows:

| Programme and Year Level | Schools |
|---|---|
| 1. BRAD I | School of Medicine |
| 2. MBChB III | |
| 3. MBChB I | |
| 4. BSC I (including ECP I & ECP II) | School of Science and Technology |
| 5. BSC (Physiotherapy) I | School of Health Care Sciences |
| 6. BSC (Diet) I | |
| 7. B Occupational Therapy I | |
| 8. BSLPA I | |
| 9. Bachelor of Nursing (Year I – pipeline students) | |
| 10. BPharm I | School of Pharmacy |
| 11. BDS I | School of Oral Health Sciences |
| 12. BDT I | |
| 13. BOH I | |

- 6 The University is exploring a range of options to bring back the additional vulnerable students, in consultation with the Department of Higher Education and Training. The Deputy Vice-Chancellor: Teaching, Learning and Community Engagement, will be providing further information in this regard.
- 7 **A point was underscored by the ECS that all residences (both University owned and University-leased) should comply with health and safety protocols and regulations, including 66% maximum occupation capacity.** To this end, the Student Affairs Division working closely with relevant departments, should ensure that the health and safety protocols are adhered to, even after the return of additional students referred to under paragraph 2 above.

Yours Sincerely

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(transmitted electronically and therefore unsigned)