

UNIVERSITY STATEMENT

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Dear staff and students

IMPACT OF ADJUSTED LEVEL 3 LOCKDOWN REGULATIONS ON DUT

On Sunday 25 July 2021, President Ramaphosa announced that South Africa will move to Adjusted Lockdown Level 3 in the national “State of Disaster” as we continue to grapple with a third wave of the coronavirus pandemic. As a result, we would like to update you on developments at DUT.

Firstly, we urge you to still remain alert and to follow the public health guidelines as we strive to stop the spread of COVID-19. Therefore, it is compulsory for you to wear your face mask whenever you leave your place of residence. Your mask must securely cover your nose, mouth and chin. Please wash your hands regularly with water and soap and where possible, use a minimum 70% alcohol-based hand sanitiser. Please abide by the physical and social distancing protocols and keep a safe distance of a minimum of 1.5 metres away from the person next to you. You must continue to avoid large crowds and gatherings. Please follow these guidelines to help save lives and to stop the spread.

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LECTURES, ASSESSMENTS, PRACTICALS AND LABORATORY SESSIONS

Dating back to October 2020, DUT has only allowed in person, on-campus, mask to mask engagements with students in special cases involving practical and laboratory sessions. The Senate Executive Committee (Senex) has agreed that this will continue during Lockdown Level 3.

Students who are in this category will be contacted by their relevant academic department and they will be invited to return to campus for practical and laboratory sessions. The Faculty/Department will issue this grouping of students with a permit, allowing them access to campus for scheduled, planned, practical and laboratory sessions.

Teaching and learning will still continue online. Please note that online assessments will also continue as previously scheduled by the academic departments. The online resources of our library remain available to staff and students: <https://library.dut.ac.za>.

HEALTHCHECK ONLINE SCREENING FORM

This is for all staff and students who will be on campus. Remember, only those students invited to return and provided with the relevant permits by their faculty/Department, will be granted access to campus. Please take note of the following:

1. Please complete the **HealthCheck COVID-19 online form** every day **before** leaving your place of residence. This online form assists to screen for symptoms of COVID-19 and this process helps to prevent the disease from spreading. Please be completely honest with your responses to the questions before attempting to gain access to our campus.
2. You can access the HealthCheck form in three ways:
 - Go to: <https://healthcheck.higherhealth.ac.za/login/?next=/>
 - Dial HealthCheck on: *134*832*2# (This is a free call).
 - Add **0600 110 000** - <https://wa.me/27600110000?text=hi> (to your WhatsApp to contacts).

If you receive an **orange light** or a **red light**, please **do not proceed** to campus. Instead, you must call the COVID-19 Hotline on 031 373 3760 or 031 373 2223 - or email covid-enquiries@dut.ac.za for advice on what you will need to do next. Please also keep your Head of Department, Lecturer and/or Residence Advisor informed.

If you get a **green light** on HealthCheck, **wash your hands thoroughly with soap and water, securely put on a face mask** and then leave your place of residence.

If there are any further announcements, we will contact you *via* the DUT PinBoard (staff email system) and DUT4life (staff email accounts). Please continue to monitor your DUT email accounts and the DUT website <https://www.dut.ac.za/coronavirus/> for official university statements.

Please stay safe and best wishes for the second term.

Sincerely

DUT Management team