

## UNIVERSITY STATEMENT

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12 September 2019

Dear students and staff

The University was extremely saddened by the news that one of our students was found deceased in his room at the Stratford residence on the Steve Biko campus in Durban yesterday afternoon, Wednesday, 11 September 2019.

We would like to convey our sincere condolences to the family, friends and colleagues of the student who sadly passed on.

The South African Police Services are currently investigating the tragic incident.

The University is also aware of some of the social media posts that are unfortunately spreading rumours in relation to this tragedy. We kindly urge students and staff to be considerate and to please think about the negative impact that some of the posts are having on the family and friends of the deceased.

Our Student Services Department is assisting the bereaved family during this challenging time.

We want to remind all students that if you need to talk to a professional counsellor and get advice and assistance, please visit the Student Counselling and Health Clinics or call:

- 0313732266 (Durban)
- 0338458811 (Midlands – Riverside campus)
- 0338458913 (Midlands – Indumiso campus)

DUT staff can contact the Employee Wellness office on 0313732025 for assistance.

Sincerely

DUT Communications team

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