

UNIVERSITY STATEMENT

13 September 2019

Dear students and staff

The University management has decided to suspend the academic programme in Durban today, Friday, 13 September 2019.

The University apologises for the short notice but this follows the student protest action that started in Durban this morning. This decision was taken in the best interests of the safety and security of all students and staff.

Therefore, if students and staff who are currently on campus, feel threatened in anyway, then they should liaise with their managers/HODs and consider leaving campus today. If staff are not feeling threatened and they are prepared to continue to stay and keep the University operational, then they are encouraged to inform their managers/HODs.

Currently, the suspension of the academic programme only applies to the Durban campuses.

The situation in Pietermaritzburg is still peaceful and non-threatening and the academic programme has not been affected. So the academic programme in the Midlands will continue as planned.

The DUT residences will remain open.

The University apologises to students, staff, parents and guardians for any inconvenience caused.

Management will be meeting with the SRC at 10H00 this morning.

Further communication will be shared with you later this afternoon.

Sincerely

DUT Management

