

INTERNAL MEMORANDUM

To: All Academic Staff and Students

From: Professor Festus Addo-Yobo- VPRASA

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Re: Attendance at UTT Campuses

The Ministry of Education (MOE) has announced that it will permit post-secondary and tertiary students to attend physical classes and practicals from January 2022.

In the light of the above, The University of Trinidad and Tobago, will continue with its policy of using blended learning to deliver its courses online and face to face.

Practical Courses:

The preferred option is for students to attend practical courses in person on UTT campuses where possible. Social distancing and other COVID -19 guidelines will be observed and therefore, if class sizes are large, students will be split into smaller groups with rotated attendance. The use of laboratory space should be optimised within the above constraints. To assure success, colleagues who opt for physical attendance of practical work, should plan well in advance and provide students with information on their assigned rotation groups and timing of their practical classes.

Lectures:

The preferred mode of delivery of lectures, in the second semester of the 2021-2022 academic year, is remote delivery using UTT's online platform. Beyond March 2022, consideration will be given to face to face delivery, depending on further guidance from the MOE, and other factors such as: meeting learning outcomes, size of classes and availability of classroom space.

Presence of Students on Campuses:

Students are encouraged to attend campuses to carry out joint assignments, study group work, and use UTT Libraries and other learning spaces. However, Ministry of Health guidelines will be strictly enforced on UTT campuses.

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Health and Safety Measures:

The health and safety of students and staff is a prime concern at UTT. Campus Management will put in place all the necessary sanitation measures. All persons visiting any UTT Campus will be required to have their temperature taken, must wear face masks at all times and wash/sanitise their hands regularly (staff, students and contractors).

The behaviour of staff and students is very important in preventing the transmission of the COVID-19 virus on our campuses. The University advocates vaccination of its staff and students for their own safety and therefore strongly urge both staff and students to make full use of the readily available vaccines approved by the Ministry of Health.

Regards

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