

THE UNIVERSITY OF THE WEST INDIES

ST. AUGUSTINE CAMPUS, TRINIDAD & TOBAGO, WEST INDIES

INTERNAL COMMUNIQUÉ

March 13, 2020

Suspension of Classes

Dear Colleagues,

The UWI St. Augustine Campus is guided by the announcement of the Prime Minister Dr. The Honourable Keith Rowley, that from tomorrow, March 14, 2020 all schools and universities and places of learning will remain closed for one week in order to stop the spread of COVID-19. As such, all classes will be suspended officially from tomorrow until Saturday, March 21.

Campus Operations will be maintained on Monday March 16, and as such, all staff are expected to report to duty to allow for critical planning with their Dean and/ or Head of Department.

Guidance for Students Residing on Halls

We ask that Trinidad and Tobago students, who reside in Trinidad, go to their homes this weekend and only return to Halls of Residence when the Campus has officially re-opened. Residents who will be returning home do not have to remove personal belongs from their room but should ensure that the room is neatly packed up, and that any perishable items in the common kitchens be removed to avoid spoilage.

Students, who continue to reside on hall, who may experience any respiratory symptoms along with the presence of a fever, should self-quarantine and seek medical attention by contacting our Health Services Unit at (868) 724-2408. For any questions or support, all students are encouraged to contact the Division of Student Services and Development (DSSD) at studentservicesanddevelopment@sta.uwi.edu.

The Campus Incident Management Team (IMT) continues to work with the new developments and the COVID-19 Response Plan for the Campus.

I thank you for your patience at this time as we continue to monitor all developments.

Marketing and Communications on behalf of **Professor Brian Copeland** Pro Vice-Chancellor and Campus Principal