



Memorandum

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To: VUT Staff and Students
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Subject: **Update on the closure of the Uppington campus**

The Uppington Campus Teach-Out Committee is pleased to report the following progress on the closure of the campus and the relocation of staff, students, and the University assets to the Vanderbijlpark campus:

Prof Maggi Linington, DVC TLSS visited the campus on Friday, 4 June 2021 to have separate contact meetings with staff and students to address concerns that they had and provide clarity on how the process will unfold. Below are some of the areas discussed and accomplished:

1.1 HR Matters

- HR will engage affected staff members individually during July 2021.

1.2 Teaching, Learning and Student Support Services

- All the Teach-Out Plans for all faculties have been completed to support the continuation of studies for the affected students until they complete the qualifications that they are registered for.
- Teaching and Learning will continue remotely until all students have completed their studies.

1.3 Relocation of the campus from the Church to the Library

- The University has sent a three-month termination notice to the Keimos-Uppington Dioses informing them of the intention to vacate the premises at the end of September 2021.
- The total functionality of the campus will be relocated to the library building.

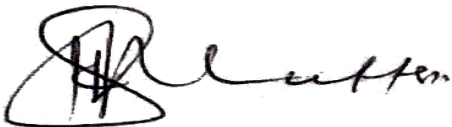
- An appropriate space has been identified at the library to accommodate personal consultation between lecturers and students to support teaching and learning.
- The process of relocating the University assets is at its audit stage and will be concluded by the end of September 2021.

1.4 Communication with stakeholders

- A formal media statement was shared with the following stakeholders associated with the Upington campus:
 - Staff and students
 - Upington Alumni Chapter
 - Local schools, Municipalities, and the business community
 - Upington Local Media
 - Mail and Guardian online & Biz Community
 - E-communication and the VUT website

The Upington campus Teach-out Sub-Committee will endeavour to communicate regularly to keep all the VUT community informed about any developments in this regard.

Kind regards



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