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## Office of University Relations

*16<sup>th</sup> March 2020*

### **Academic Affairs Contingencies**

University Community,

Please be advised that UB's transition to online instruction is to facilitate continuity in the delivery of course content. The implementation of other interim measures is also necessary to ensure the fulfilment of academic requirements.

#### **Continuity in Teaching**

At UB-North in Grand Bahama, classes will continue uninterrupted online via Moodle.

Also effective on Monday, 16<sup>th</sup> March, faculty at the Oakes Field Campus who were already delivering courses online will continue to do so uninterrupted.

All other faculty are now required to use the week beginning Monday, 16<sup>th</sup> March to complete the process of migrating all lecture courses to an online format so that by Monday, 23<sup>rd</sup> March these courses will be available on Moodle.

#### **Laboratory and Practicum Courses**

By Friday, 20<sup>th</sup> March, an announcement regarding the status of laboratory and practicum classes will be communicated.

#### **Teaching Practice, Kitchen Classes and Internships**

Please be advised that effective immediately, teaching practice, kitchen classes and internships are suspended until further notice.

#### **Final Examinations**

Faculty and students will be advised of the arrangements for all final examinations at a later date.

## **Placement Examination**

Please be advised that the placement examination for applicants seeking admission to the University has been suspended until further notice.

## **Testing Services**

External examinations scheduled for Monday, 16<sup>th</sup> March will continue as scheduled. Those exams scheduled over the course of the next three weeks are suspended until further notice. An announcement regarding new scheduling will be made at a later date.

## **Library Services**

Although University libraries are closed until further notice, library resources are accessible online at <http://www.ub.edu.bs/academics/ub-libraries/>

## **Counselling**

As COVID-19 may cause persons to experience increased anxiety, counselling services are being offered for those who need it. Should you need to use this service please contact the **Hotline at (242) 427-1772** or counsellors via the following email contacts:

- [camille.smith@ub.edu.bs](mailto:camille.smith@ub.edu.bs)
- [teorah.ferguson@ub.edu.bs](mailto:teorah.ferguson@ub.edu.bs)
- [colyn.major@ub.edu.bs](mailto:colyn.major@ub.edu.bs)
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