



IMPORTANT UPDATE: COMMENCEMENT OF DIGITAL & ONLINE LEARNING

17th March 2020

Dear Students,

Last night, the Prime Minister announced the nationwide implementation of the 'Restriction of Movement Order' under the Prevention and Control of Infectious Disease Act 1988 and the Police Act 1967.

Consequently, Schools and Universities, along with a number of other services, as identified in the Order will be closed from Wednesday, March 18, 2020 till Tuesday, March 31, 2020.

Further to our earlier communication regarding the suspension of face-to-face teaching, supervision and academic support at APU and APIIT with effect from Monday, 16th March 2020, we would like to confirm that most learning sessions will resume using our Digital Learning Platform from Wednesday, 18th March 2020 in phases.

All examinations scheduled during this period have been postponed beyond 5th April 2020. The revised dates will be announced later.

Online classes will be held using Microsoft Teams based on the same class timings as posted in the Time-tables on the APSPACE. A Virtual Help Centre has also been set up to provide you with Technical Support and Assistance during this period. [Please download the quick reference guide here.](#)

All possible measures are being taken to ensure a smooth transition to Online Learning. Nevertheless, we do expect teething issues to arise which may persist throughout this period. This is due to the fact that this is the first time that APU had to go on to a fully digital mode with academic staff not having experienced doing this on a full-scale basis.

The following challenges may also arise:

- Unpredictability of access to Internet bandwidth (both from staff and student locations)
- Access to immediate Technical Support, especially for hardware issues

Please be assured that we will try our level best to ensure that your learning is not disrupted during these very trying times, and we hope that you will benefit from your Digital Online Learning experience!

Thank you.

APU/APIIT Group Communications