



Central University of  
Technology, Free State

■ VICE-CHANCELLOR AND PRINCIPAL

05 March 2024

Dear CUT Community

### **Meeting of the Student Representative Council and Management, 05 March 2024**

Central University of Technology (CUT) Management and the Student Representative Council (SRC) met on 05 March 2024 to discuss a number of issues in the shared interest of saving the academic programme and to restore normalcy on campus. Among the 25 items of the agenda, the following resolutions were made in respect of the substantive matters discussed today.

#### **Postponement of assessments**

- Assessments, both theoretical and practical, are postponed for the week of 05 – 08 March 2024, given the current disturbances on campus and their impact on the academic programmes and preparedness of students for the assessments.
- All classes to only continue online and laboratories and other facilities will be open for students to utilize for the purpose of practice, familiarization, catch-up and preparation for the resumption of assessments.
- The Welkom campus will continue with physical class attendance, except for assessments.
- Supplementary learning materials should be made available online to support catch up programmes and preparation for the resumption of assessments.
- Deans, Heads of Departments and Lecturing staff are implored to support the above efforts and to align with the agreed approach.

#### **Payment of NSFAS allowances**

- The payment of 2024 NSFAS allowances for meals, books and accredited accommodation will be completed by Friday, 08 March 2024.
- Outstanding 2023 allowances will be paid by 11 March 2024, after the appropriate reconciliation and verification.
- A joint SRC and Management delegation will visit NSFAS offices to address all outstanding NSFAS matters.
- Students qualifying for transport allowances should submit the required forms to the Fees and Financial Aid Office once they are made available.

#### **Academic exclusions**

A team comprised of the SRC and Management has been set up to look into submissions that for technical and other reasons were not processed with the rest during the Academic Appeals process. The first meeting has been set up for Wednesday, 07 March 2024.

### **Completion letters**

A meeting of SENEX that was scheduled for 04 March 2024, was postponed to 12 March 2024, wherein approval of the Autumn graduation list will be done. Students will be flagged with degree complete statuses. Completion letters will then be generated to qualified student e-mails.

The University will continue to find ways of improving the efficiency of the issuance of completion letters and fast-tracking of urgent requests from potential employers.

### **Courses being phased out**

SRC leadership to make a submission to the institutional Senate structures to request a waiver of prerequisites for the identified Faculty of Management Science programmes that are being phased out in 2024, to enable affected students to complete in 2024.

### **Continuation of meeting**

It was agreed to continue with the meeting on Wednesday, 07 March in the afternoon to conclude remaining matters.

### **CUT Executive Management**

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