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All student email from Richard Irons, Director: Student & Academic Services

The situation regarding South Australia's response to new COVID-19 infections has continued to evolve over the last 24 hours. Therefore, further to the Vice Chancellors email to you on Friday 20 November, I am writing to provide a further update and detail.

- The University is open to students from 9am on Monday 23rd of November.
- Teaching provision: As advised before the lockdown UniSA has moved all face-to-face lectures online. The most recent SA Health Covid-19 advice requires UniSA to move tutorials, seminars and workshops to online delivery where possible, with an intention to resume required on-campus teaching from Monday 30th November, unless otherwise advised.
- Research activities: Requests for on campus research and for off campus field work can be made either directly or via your supervisory team.
- Physical attendance and completion of timetabled practicums which cannot be delivered online will be facilitated on-campus for those who wish to attend.
- Placements may continue where the provider agrees to continuation of the placement and where you can safely continue with the placement requirements.
- Examinations as [communicated to you yesterday](#), will commence from Tuesday 24th November. You have been sent information via email confirming your exam schedule, which you can also check [here](#). Please be aware that for those students who feel unable to undertake their exams due to the impact from the recent Covid-19 disruptions, there will be the option to take the exam in early 2021 instead (anticipated to be 25 January – 6 February).
- All public events on campus remain cancelled until further notice.
- MOD., the Samstag Museum, the Bob Hawke Prime Ministerial Centre & Library and the Kerry Packer Civic Gallery will remain closed until 30th November.
- Physical distancing requirements in computer barns, university library and all other facilities have now moved to a limit of one person per four square metres until advised otherwise.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact [Campus Central](#).

In the interim, I re-iterate the current public health advice – if you are feeling unwell, please do not attend at the university until fully recovered, seek the appropriate medical advice as required and act to minimise the risk of infection for others. As always, I ask that you please familiarise yourself with the FAQs on the [COVID-19 coronavirus information webpage](#). This is the most up-to-date and informed repository of University COVID-19 resources.

I apologise for the many communications which we are issuing as we deal with circumstances beyond our control in as timely a manner as possible. Your understanding and forbearance are greatly appreciated.

All staff email from Professor David Lloyd, Vice-Chancellor and President

Dear Colleagues,

The situation regarding South Australia's response to new COVID-19 infections and applicable restrictions has continued to evolve over the last 24 hours. Commissioner Stevens has this morning advised that, where possible, it is recommended that people should work from home.

The University will open for business from 9am on Monday 23rd November, but staff who can conduct their roles through remote working are recommended to do so, up until 9am on the 30th November.

Attending on campus is permitted during this time to deliver functions – teaching, research and professional services in support of these functions - which cannot be delivered remotely.

As was the case previously, essential access to dedicated online education delivery facilities will be provided in specific campus locations, including in the Library, to enable staff to continue to prepare and deliver their online content in cases where they are unable to do so from home.

Our Libraries, Gyms, Pool and Computer Barns will all remain open for students, but with appropriate physical distancing constraints applied.

Any staff engaged in remote work should have a formally approved working from home arrangement in place, and should update the arrangement by e-mailing their line manager confirming the address from where they will be working and detailing any University equipment they are taking home with them. Any staff member without a completed form is required to seek approval from their line manager or supervisor and complete the [COVID-19 Pandemic - Working from Home Arrangement](#) form at this time. These remote working arrangements will remain in place until Monday 30th November, unless advised otherwise.

Any staff members who have to attend on campus during this period are required to have installed the UniSA SafeZone app and must 'check in' via the app to register with campus security on arrival.

Please note that our campuses are open. However, we are encouraging all staff who can, to work from home wherever possible during this time.

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Students' physical attendance and completion of timetabled practicums which cannot be delivered online will be facilitated on-campus for those who wish to attend. Requests for such activities will require formal approval and sign-off by the applicable Dean of Programs.

Placements: Students on placements may continue where the provider agrees to continuation of the placement and where the student can safely continue with their placement requirements.

Examinations will continue online to the timetable communicated by SAS yesterday.

Research activities: All research activities that can be conducted remotely should be enacted remotely. On-campus research activities can continue where research continuity plans, risk assessments and appropriate physical distancing measures have been put in place. Where safe to do so, on-campus experimental research facilities will be open from noon on Monday 23rd November, or as soon as practical thereafter. Requests for on campus research and for off campus field work—including by HDR students—should be signed off by the applicable Dean of Research and the DVC: Research & Enterprise.

All public events on campus remain cancelled until further notice.

MOD., the Samstag Museum, the Bob Hawke Prime Ministerial Centre & Library and the Kerry Packer Civic Gallery will remain closed to the public until 30th November.

Physical distancing requirements in computer barns, university library and all other facilities have now moved to a limit of one person per four square metres until advised otherwise.

To summarise:

- All staff who are able to work from home, are recommended to now do so.
- The University remains open, however, for any staff member who, because of their individual circumstances, cannot work remotely.
- If you have to attend on campus, for whatever reason, you must check-in your attendance through Safezone <https://i.unisa.edu.au/staff/facilities/security/safezone/>. You can do this through the 'check-in' button on the app homepage. This check-in can also be set to 'automatic' under the settings tab.
- Relevant information about arrangements for working from home, the necessary WHS forms and information on well-being and other resources about working remotely are available on the PTC page [here](#).
- We require that while you are working from home that you maintain the security and privacy of the University's data by ensuring that no-one else in your household (or visitors to your household) can access or view University data. There is information available [here](#) to help you keep UniSA data safe. If you have any questions of concern in this regard contact the [IT Help Desk](#) and they will assist.
- Students with questions about these arrangements can contact [Campus Central](#).

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As always, I ask that you please familiarise yourself with the staff and student FAQs on the [COVID-19 coronavirus information webpage](#). This is the most up-to-date and informed repository of University COVID-19 resources.

Lastly, I can only apologise for the myriad communications and occasionally conflicting messages which are issuing, as we deal with circumstances beyond our control in as timely a manner as possible. Your understanding and forbearance are greatly appreciated.