

University of Fort Hare **EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATION**

PROF SAKHELA BUHLUNGU VICE-CHANCELLOR and PRINCIPAL



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Dear Staff and Students

RETURN OF SENIOR MANAGEMENT AND MANAGEMENT STAFF TO CAMPUS

As part of the process of a phased return to campus, members of the Management Executive Committee (MEC) and the Extended Management Team (EMT), as well as Directors of Centres and Institutes, Deputy Deans, all manager-level staff and Heads of Departments may return to the University from Wednesday, 24 June 2020.

Staff in these categories should apply to the Human Resources Division (<u>Human-Resources@ufh.ac.za</u>) for a permit and have to get in touch with their line managers about specific work arrangements. Staff over the age of 60 and those who have informed the Human Resources Division of existing comorbidities should continue to work remotely.

Our Covid-19 Task Team and the Covid-19 Management Response Committee are continuing with their important work to ensure that all systems and protocols are in place to facilitate the next phase of return of staff and thereafter the 1st cohort of students.

I encourage staff and students to stay safe and follow all the protocols for Covid-19 to limit the spread of the virus. Our thoughts are with University staff who are currently recovering from Covid-19. We wish them strength and courage.

I want to thank essential services staff for their work on the ground to keep the University running and preparing the campus for reopening. We owe you a debt of gratitude. Likewise, I commend staff who are working from home for their commitment to the University and to our students.

Sincerely

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