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UCT suspends academic programme till Friday

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The University of Cape Town (UCT) has suspended the academic programme by a further three days until Friday, 23 April 2021.

UCT Vice-Chancellor Professor Mamokgethi Phakeng provided an update on the state of the Rondebosch campus and the academic programme following the fire and subsequent evacuation on Sunday, 18 April.

“The assessment of the damages and the need to clean residences and academic buildings means that the academic programme at UCT will be suspended until Friday, 23 April. On Wednesday the Department of Student Affairs will start managing the movement of students back to their residences from their emergency accommodation,” said Phakeng.

The academic programme will resume on Monday, 26 April. The faculties will each manage the lost week in terms of the curriculum and will communicate with their students about scheduled tests and assignments.

Phakeng thanked both members of the UCT community and the public for the support offered and hard work put in during this devastating period.

“On behalf of the leadership of UCT, I would like to convey my gratitude for the commitment you have all shown and the help that you are all giving in the interests of the university.”

The university will issue further updates as and when more information becomes available.

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