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# THIS WEEK

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The University, taking cognizance of the directive, has suspended all academic activities and asked all students to vacate the University premises until the situation is stabilised. The University has also issued an ultimatum to students in residential halls to vacate their rooms with immediacy.

The University amid the suspension of its academic activities has also provided staff who provide essential services at the University with hand sanitisers and stationed Veronica buckets with water and soap at vantage points for staff use.

In the wake of this scourge, the University has resorted to online platforms for its academic activities. Currently, the University is asking all students and teaching staff to update their details in order to access the -iCampus portal and other online learning resources that the University is rolling out for

free without using their own data bundles.

The University also avails its services online for students to forward their concerns as personal contact with students at this moment is strictly prohibited.







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Addressing the staff at the meeting, resident doctor of the University, Dr. Imam Mumuni, reiterated the importance of the staff's role in providing essential services to sustain the University in these trying times.

He mentioned that the University finds the health of its staff a topmost priority and would put in place measures to ensure their safety in performing their administrative roles.

Dr. Mumuni, briefed staff on the COD-VID19, touching on how one can be infected, what happens after infection and what can be done to stabilise such persons. He also busted some myths about the virus and dissuaded staff from thinking that infection means death.

Instead, he encouraged staff to adhere to stringent and hygienic measures that would safeguard them from contracting the virus. Such measures include; refraining from handshakes, hugs, covering mouths when coughing and regularly washing hands thoroughly with soap under running water as well as using hand sanitisers.

He also cautioned that any staff who experiences any of the symptoms of the disease should try as much as possible to stay away from the work place and call the National COD-VID19 response team at the least suspicion.

The University wishes to use this forum to entreat all staff providing essential services and students who have vacated the premises to remain calm and take preventive measures to combat the spread of the virus. It is with great optimism as we look out for each other in this adverse moment that we will soon overcome this and the University will revert to its normal operations.



