

#2023AY 2023 ACADEMIC YEAR

Learning and
Teaching Update

Dear Students

After three disruptive years due to the global COVID-19 pandemic, you are probably wondering how learning and teaching will be offered in the 2023AY.

WHAT TO EXPECT

- You will have **face-to-face (F2F) lectures** in-person in our venues on campus. Your learning experience will also be extended to some virtual lectures, via MS Teams, and several other learning activities. This will include videos, on our **online learning system**, which as you know, is also referred to as Moodle or Learn.
- There will also be **small group learning experiences**, such as tutorials and supplementary instruction (SI) sessions, with some being F2F and others online.
- You will receive a **timetable** at registration that includes lectures and some small group activities, venue numbers, and timeslots.
- Depending on what programme you are studying, there could also be **experiential learning activities**, such as laboratory or studio work, clinical training, school-based learning, and work integrated learning. These activities are **offered F2F** and some are undertaken in workplace settings, or hospitals and schools. Some of the preparation and supervision for these experiential learning activities takes place online.

SUPPORT FOR LEARNING

We provide a very **supportive learning environment** that includes F2F and online activities, such as success coaching, mentoring, writing development and **counselling**. A range of online resources can also be accessed.

ACCOMMODATION

Be sure to act timeously in securing a place to stay for your student, as accommodation is limited. This can be on or off campus.

Contact: studenthousing@mandela.ac.za

STAYING CONNECTED

Given the way we blend F2F and online learning activities, we encourage all students to have a suitable computing device, such as a laptop.

There are initiatives in place for students to source laptops. We also have general computer labs on all our campuses that students can access. All our campuses, residences and off-campus residences have WiFi. In addition, as necessary, we provide students with data bundles during the academic year to make learning possible at any time.

You will get more specific information about the programme that you are studying from your Executive Dean and Head of Department.

It will be great to see
you on campus in 2023!

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