



TO : Daystar Parents  
FROM : Prof. Laban Ayiro, Vice-Chancellor  
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### **DAYSTAR UNIVERSITY OPTS FOR E-LEARNING DURING SHUT-DOWN PERIOD**

Following Government directives intended to mitigate the impact of COVID-19, the Daystar University Senate yesterday shut down physical classroom teaching and extended all instruction to the University's e-learning platform [elearning.daystar.ac.ke/](http://elearning.daystar.ac.ke/)

The adoption of the e-learning mode of instruction was put in place to ensure meaningful and continuous quality learning until the national restriction on public gatherings is lifted.

The Senate has also committed to ensuring students remain fully engaged and that semester examinations take place as per the University Calendar starting 4<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> May 2020.

Instructional content and assignments for the remaining four weeks of the January/April Semester are progressively being uploaded on the e-learning Platform. Students who cannot access the e-learning platform have been advised to quickly contact [registrar@daystar.ac.ke](mailto:registrar@daystar.ac.ke) for support. ICT and Admissions and Records staff are on call to assist where necessary.

The University Library has also ensured Faculty and students have full access to e-resources on the Online Public Access Catalogue (OPAC) webpage, <http://library.daystar.ac.ke/>. Students who need help to access the Digital Library should contact [library@daystar.ac.ke](mailto:library@daystar.ac.ke)

Following the shut-down of on-campus instruction, day-scholar students have been advised to study online from home while boarders have been released to go home latest Wednesday March 18, 2020. International students have been placed under the care of the Dean of Students through the Students Placement and International Relations Office (SPIRO).

Additionally, Lecturers and administrative staff are working from home with only select staff being transported by the University to and from work to provide essential services on need basis.

Since the confirmation of the first coronavirus case by the government on 13<sup>th</sup> March, Daystar has continued to support students, staff and Faculty with coping mechanisms through hand-sanitizers and information.

Finally, the University has advised all our students, faculty, staff and stakeholders to observe guidelines and updates from the University and government. More importantly, let us continue to pray for God's intervention in this matter.

Our Switchboard and Customer Care Office will remain open during working hours from 8:00am to 5:00pm daily starting tomorrow.

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