

## UNIVERSITY STATEMENT

16 May 2025

Dear staff and students

### ADJUSTMENTS TO THE 2025 ACADEMIC CALENDAR

The Durban University of Technology (DUT) wishes to inform the university community that a joint meeting of the Executive Management Committee (EMC) and the Senate Executive Committee (Senex) was convened earlier today, to approve adjustments to the 2025 academic calendar.

This urgent meeting was necessitated by the recent disruptions that affected teaching and learning activities on campus. The deliberations focused on safeguarding the academic integrity of the 2025 academic year, while ensuring that no registered student is academically prejudiced due to the illegal protests and interruptions by a group intent on causing chaos and spreading misinformation.

Following discussions, the meeting resolved to implement the following measures:

- Specific amendments to the 2025 academic calendar will be made to accommodate the time lost during the recent disruptions.
- Teaching days have been extended by eight working days, moving the end date from 20 May 2025 to 30 May 2025.
- The exam study period (21 May 2025 to 25 May 2025) has been removed to accommodate the additional teaching days.
- The main examination period is now from 02 June 2025 to 18 June 2025.
- The main examination results will be released on 09 July 2025.
- The supplementary examination period is deferred by five working days, running from 14 July 2025 to 21 July 2025.
- Supplementary examination results will now be published on 01 August 2025.
- The mid-year vacation period is reduced by five days, commencing now from 30 June 2025.
- The second-semester lectures are scheduled to begin on 14 July 2025.

The Registry will publish a revised 2025 Academic Calendar. Please remember that official university *communiqués* are distributed on the DUT PinBoard (staff email system) and DUT4life (student email accounts) and posted onto the staff and student portals.



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The University remains committed to ensuring that all registered students are given a fair opportunity to complete the 2025 academic year. **However, please note that there will be no further extension to the 2025 academic calendar.** Any future disruption will compromise the teaching and learning programme and ultimately, the academic progression of all students.

The University is pleased to confirm that all remaining allowances to qualifying students have been paid and the legitimate concerns related to the recent disruptions were resolved.

We appeal to all members of the university community to consistently uphold the values and principles of ENVISION2030 and support efforts to restore stability and progress in our academic programme. We appreciate your patience and understanding and wish you well for the remainder of this semester.

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