

UNIVERSITE PARIS NANTERRE

Communiqué from President Jean-François Balaudé to the academic community - March 13, 2020

Dear colleagues,
Dear students,

In order to best protect the entire population and to take into account the evolution of the COVID-19 epidemic, the President of the Republic announced yesterday evening a series of measures, including the closure to the public of all higher education institutions as of Monday 16 March and until further notice.

The aim of these measures is, in the context we know, to reduce the flow of people to university sites. The university will therefore cease to receive users as part of its training activities (CM / TD / TP / practice courses / projects) as of Monday 16 March.

In order to guarantee pedagogical continuity, the university's pedagogical teams will implement distance learning. The modalities of these will be specified by the teachers and the schools & institutes in the coming days.

The university libraries and the university physical activity and sports service (SUAPS) will be closed to the public. Access to the other buildings will be restricted to university, CNRS and CROUS staff.

In this context, disabled or chronically ill staff and pregnant women are invited to stay at home.

Whenever possible, the research activity will be carried out remotely.

On the issue of student mobility :

- Incoming mobility: students follow the distance learning courses that will be set up by the university. In addition, they are required to respect the instructions given to them by their home institution.
- Outgoing mobility: all new outgoing mobility is suspended. Students who are currently on mobility comply with the instructions in force in their host institution. In case of early return, students are invited to contact the International Office (SRI).

On the issue of student internships :

- For students currently on internships: the internship will continue until the host institution or company takes action to the contrary. If the internship should be interrupted or suspended, students are asked to contact their UFR (by e-mail), which will study the pedagogical alternatives.
- For the signature of internship agreements: the internship office will provide answers via the mailbox stages@liste.parisnanterre.fr . It is planned to relax the conditions of signature by accepting scanned documents.

On the question of apprenticeship :

- Apprenticeship students are fully-fledged employees; they must agree with the company and in conjunction with their educational tutor on the terms and conditions of their presence, on the days when they should be at the university.

- University teams have been mobilized since the beginning of the health crisis to implement any necessary measures. To this end, discussions are continuing on the evaluation methods that will be proposed.

With my full dedication,

Jean-François Balaudé
President of the University

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