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TO: THE THOMASIAN COMMUNITY
FROM: THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL
SUBJECT: SUSPENSION OF NON-CURRICULAR IN- AND OFF-CAMPUS
ACTIVITIES
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In reference to the Code Red for COVID-19 as declared by the Department of Health (DOH), the University proactively advises the Thomasian community to remain calm but vigilant.

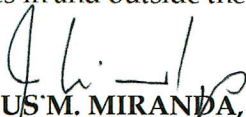
Precautionary measures against the spread of the disease, as discussed in the recently updated **Collective Institutional Guidelines for the Prevention and Control of the Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) as of March 9, 2020**, posted in the OSG website, are to be cooperatively enforced with understanding and patience.

New preventive and mitigation measures are as follows:

- a) suspension of non-curricular in- and off-campus activities, effective immediately until further notice;
- b) timely and accurate reporting of confirmed cases, persons under investigation (PUIs), and persons under monitoring (PUM), to be communicated to the UST Health Service;
- c) strict observance of medical advice on quarantine, assessment and interventions, as appropriate;
- d) implementation of contingency plans (i.e. Continuity Plan for Teaching and Learning in Case of Mandatory Quarantine and Class Suspensions due to COVID-19 as already integrated in the collective institutional guidelines).

The University has tapped concerned Offices to undertake other precautionary measures such as regular disinfection of study and work areas, in addition to the provision of hand sanitizers in strategic locations within the University and thermal scanning at the entrance of buildings.

As we endeavor to choose a sound path for a healthy Thomasian community, we ask the cooperation of everyone in limiting the risks associated with our daily undertakings and activities in and outside the University.


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