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**COMMUNIQUE FROM THE OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY VICE-CHANCELLOR: TEACHING
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FINALIZING RESULTS FOR STUDENTS WHO PARTICIPATED IN THE CATCH-UP PROGRAMS OF 2020

Dear Staff and Students

In adopting the motto of leaving no student behind, UKZN implemented a catch-up programme which allowed students to catch-up during the semester and the dedicated catch-up period before the end of the semester. In addition, students who for various reasons could not participate during the semester or the dedicated catch-up period were allocated one of the following codes:

- (1) COVID Related (CR),
- (2) F Continuing, (F/) or
- (3) Result Pending (F@)

to allow them to participate in a catch-up programme during the second semester of 2020.

To finalize the results for such students, the following is proposed:

1 Semester One Modules

Undergraduates, Honours, Postgraduate Diploma and Coursework Masters taught modules:

All students who were awarded a CR, F/ or F@ code who have not been successful in their modules during semester one or the catch-up programme after the semester or during semester two should be academically withdrawn from the module with the proviso that:

- a) Such withdrawal would clear the academic record of the student for the said modules and prevent the allocation of a Fail (F) code, and
- b) Students who participated fully with opportunities for a catch-up and have not been successful with the module will receive a Fail (F).

2 Semester Two Modules

The same principle for the adoption of the CR, F/and F@ will apply for the following categories of students with the proviso that all students awarded such codes must complete their catch-up in semester one of 2021 as per the sessional dates of 2021:

- a) Undergraduate Students

Undergraduate students should adopt the CR code in the following instances:

- 1) All students who have achieved a 40 to 48% final mark; and

- 2) All students who have not participated in a module, and students who have achieved 39% or less of a final mark should be academically withdrawn from the module.

b) Honours and Postgraduate Diploma Research Project Students

The F/ code should be adopted in the following instances:

- 1) All students who have achieved a 40 to 48% final mark for the project, and
- 2) All students who have not participated in the project, and students who have achieved 39% or less of a final mark should be academically withdrawn from the module.

c) Honours, Postgraduate Diploma and Masters coursework taught module Students

These students should adopt the F@ code in the following instances:

- 1) All students who have achieved a 40 to 48% final mark, and
- 2) All students who have not participated in a module, and students who have achieved 39% or less of a final mark should be academically withdrawn from the module.

As per semester one, the proviso for the withdrawal and the adoption of the above codes will be subject to:

- a) Such withdrawal would clear the academic record of the student for the said modules and prevent the allocation of a Fail (F) code, and
- b) Students who participated fully with catch-up opportunities and have not been successful with the module will receive a Fail (F).

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