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MEMORANDUM: Fall 2024 Starting Date and Mode

Dear MUBS Community,

We hope you and your families are safe and in good health. This is to acknowledge the extra strain and responsibilities that the present circumstances have placed on you and to let you know that we will keep doing everything in our power to provide the support needed during this time.

We wish those who have been hurt a speedy recovery and offer our sincere sympathies to those who have lost loved ones. We acknowledge the difficulties that we are all suffering on a personal and professional level during these difficult times and reaffirm MUBS's dedication to the academic success, safety and well-being of its community.

It is imperative that we keep up our committed work towards empowering, educating, and serving others. With the intention of securing the ongoing teaching and learning at MUBS, and in compliance with the decision of the Ministry of Education and Higher Education, classes will start online on **Monday**, **October 14**, **2024 after giving the current circumstances some thought.**

We'll be managing this period with a strong emphasis on flexibility because some of you may be dealing with extraordinary situations. Online learning will take place using tools such as Moodle, Microsoft Teams, You Tube and others to allow for real-time communication between professors and students. All courses' material including texts, lecture recordings, and other resources will be published on Moodle. This guarantees students who are unable to attend in person sessions because of family obligations, unavailability of the internet, or emergency situations, they can still interact with the courses' material at their own pace.

In light of the difficult conditions, MUBS campuses will be open this week, October 7-11, and dedicated for staff and faculty to prepare for the new semester and for students to complete their registration process and finalize their administrative requirements.

You will receive emails with updates, further instructions, and advice, so please make sure to frequently check your MUBS email. If you need any special accommodations or extra help, please contact the Student Affairs Office using the support email address: sao@mubs.edu.lb

We can face these obstacles as a team and go forward even more powerful than before.

Take care and stay safe!

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