

STATEMENT FROM THE VICE-RECTORATE FOR INTERNATONAL AFFAIRS OF THE UNIVERSIDAD DE LEÓN. APRIL 27th, 2020.

Due to the exceptional situation caused by the Covid-19 pandemic, on March 16th all on-site academic activity at the Universidad de León was suspended and as of that moment we started to offer remote or online teaching. The Rectors of Public Universities and the Department of Education from Castilla y León's Local Government have collectively decided as of April 2nd, 2020, to suspend all on-site lessons and from that moment several measures have been introduced to organise and facilitate teaching under this method.

It has been agreed to maintain the period of classes and evaluation, initially respecting the calendar established for the 2019/2020 academic year. In accordance with the health security measures, teaching will be done on a remote basis, thus guaranteeing the possibility of continuing the lessons and being assessed of this semester's subjects remotely.

At the Universidad de León, a series of adjustments are being made to guarantee the adequate development of the subjects and the evaluation of the students in this new situation, which will be included in our teaching guides.

In this sense, the incoming mobility students at the Universidad de León will be able to continue following their subjects either from their home residence or from the residence used during the academic year, as long as they have access to basic technological means that allow them to follow their subjects remotely (computer equipment, internet connection, access to our institutional platform, etc.). If students haven't got this equipment, they should let us know via email to the Rectorate of the Universidad de León (rectorado@unileon.es).

In this regard, those students who decide to return to their home countries must:

- 1. Follow the instructions and guidelines established by the Government and Health Authorities.
- 2. International mobility students must contact the Embassies or Consulates of your countries in Spain in order to organise and receive advice on trips or possible organised actions to return to your country of origin.
- 3. Email the International Relations Office of the Universidad de León (internacional@unileon.es) explaining your intention to continue with your academic mobility from your home cities. Please indicate the subjects you are taking at the Universidad de León.
- 4. Email internacional@unileon.es requesting a certificate that accredits your status as mobility students at the Universidad de León during this semester. In this email you should indicate that you are travelling back

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to your countries of origin and you have to document the following information:

- a. Name, surnames and ID number, NIE or Passport
- b. Degree that you are studying.
- c. Home university
- d. Information related to the day the trip will take place, itinerary to be followed, means of transport to be used and departure and arrival times.
- 5. Contact your home university to let them know of your intention to continue with your academic activity at the Universidad de León from your home residence.
- 6. Inform teachers of all the subject you are taking at the Universidad de León of your intention to return to your home residence.
- 7. In the case of returning to your home residence and canceling the academic mobility at the Universidad de León, you must inform both your home university and the Universidad de León of this decision via email so that all necessary modifications can be made and the required certifications can be issued. In the case of the Universidad de León, please email internacional@unileon.es

This procedure will be applicable to all incoming mobility students at the Universidad de León, regardless of the mobility program in which they participate.

Thank you for the trust you have placed in the Universidad de Leon. Sincerely,



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