



PUBLIC NOTICE:

Discontinuation of Temporary Arrangements for Delivery of Programmes by Post Secondary and Tertiary Education and Training Institutions and Providers via Emergency Remote Teaching (ERT)



Dear Stakeholders,

Reference is made to a Public Advisory dated September 08, 2020 from the Accreditation Council of Trinidad and Tobago (ACTT) and the National Training Agency (NTA) on the subject '*COVID-19 Temporary Arrangements for the Delivery of Programmes by Post-Secondary and Tertiary Education and Training Institutions and Providers*'. Reference is also made to a News Release dated December 22, 2021 from the Ministry of Education on the subject '*Matters Relating to the Physical Reopening of Schools in Term II 2021/2022 – January 3rd, 2021*' where it stated – “Post-secondary and Tertiary students will be allowed to attend physical classes for teaching and practicals from January 2022.” Additionally, The Honourable Prime Minister’s Covid-19 Press Conference on March 26, 2022 included the statement that, “Schools will reopen in full in Term 3 as previously indicated.”

In this regard, **the temporary approval granted by ACTT and NTA for the delivery of programmes via Emergency Remote Teaching (ERT) and Open and Distance Learning (ODL) modalities will be discontinued.** Institutions should revert to the modality for which they were approved, in relation to the delivery of their programmes, in the new academic year or for the next cohort. Institutions that have not been previously approved for, and now wish to engage in, online delivery of their programmes must apply to ACTT or NTA seeking approval to so do. Be advised that institutions and providers should be guided by the conditions of the respective agreements which they signed with the ACTT or the NTA.

The stipulations outlined in this public notice are subject to any further decisions taken in this regard by the Government of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago.

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