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The AAU, eLearnAfrica and WILEY Education Services

To support African Universities, expedite their migration to online education

We are pleased to announce that the Association of African Universities ([AAU](#)) has partnered with [eLearnAfrica](#) and [Wiley Education Services](#) to **quickly** support African Universities migrate their teaching and learning activities to online platforms.

From the ongoing preparedness survey that seeks to ascertain how prepared our member universities are to responding to the COVID-19 disruptions we are learning that the majority of academic staff are expected to **partially** keep teaching and supervising research activities during this period – 21 out of 78 universities said they were expected to *fully teach* during the lockdowns; 41 universities said that they were expected to *partially teach* and 16 universities are *not expected to teach* during the lockdowns.

This partnership among the **AAU**, **eLearnAfrica** and **Wiley Education Services** aims to respond to the challenges that our member universities have reported in coping with COVID disruptions. Some of the top challenges that you have reported include '*limited preparedness for online courses*', the '*digital divide*' that is affecting students living in unconnected areas, broad '*infrastructure*' challenges, '*lack of e-learning platforms*' and '*handling large numbers of students online*'.

This is a quick response to support our 400 member institutions so that they don't lose time in terms of their current academic calendar commitments. Non-member institutions are also welcomed to express interest for support.

For follow-up enquiries including information about the highly subsidized support please complete this short form: <https://www.research.net/r/eLearnWileyAAU>

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