

Online instruction gains ground in Greek universities, amid pandemic restrictions



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The pros and cons of online tertiary-level instruction and lectures – in the wake of coronavirus pandemic measures – were detailed this week, in an interview with the Orthodoxy news agency, by University of Athens theology professor Christos Karagiannis and students in the specific faculty.

“Lessons commenced immediate after the closing of all levels of education on March 23 ... a significant factor was to adhere to the standing schedule of the school of theology, in order to ensure that there is normalcy for students and lecturers,” Prof. Karagiannis said.



He added that the feedback he received from students was positive, from the very first. He cited weaknesses, however, as referring to some students' inability to properly follow online lessons, due to lack of reliable hardware or connectivity. Moreover, he said most of the students that diligently followed online lessons were those who had consistent attendance in regular lecture halls.

