

Announcement of King Mongkut's University of Technology Thonburi Measure and Surveillance of Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) Outbreak No. 23

Announcement of reopen the University

According to the previous announcement regarding the measure and surveillance of Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) Outbreak No.22 "Temporary Closure of King Mongkut's University of Technology Thonburi" from January 4 – 31, 2021.

The Ministry of Higher Education, Science, Research and Innovation (MHESI) circulated the announcement regarding the Measure and Surveillance of Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) Outbreak No.10 on January 27, 2021 as guidelines for the universities and institutions under the Ministry of Higher Education, Science, Research and Innovation (MHESI) to follow to suit their situations. The Council of University Presidents of Thailand also circulated the announcement on January 28, 2021 regarding the learning management, assessment and evaluation, and examination for the second semester of Academic Year 2020. To comply with those measures, KMUTT thus reopen the University and to prevent the spread of COVID-19, by virtue of Section 24 and Section 27 of King Mongkut's University and Technology ACT, B.E. 2541, the University has circulated the announcement for students, faculty members and staff to follow:

- 1. All University's campuses will reopen from February 1, 2021 onwards.
- 2. Online classes shall be continued until February 14, 2021 so that students residing outside Bangkok will be able to manage their trip and will not miss any classes, especially practical classes.
- 3. On-site classes will start from February 15, 2021. All lecture classes will be 100% online. For seminar, discussion and conversation classes, they are allowed to be conducted on-site. Lecturers and students must strictly follow the COVID-19 precaution and social-distancing measures. Classes are allowed to be conducted no more than 2 hours.
- 4. For practical classes or laboratory classes [MOU1], faculty and departments may allow for those classes to be conducted in the University if necessary, from February 15, 2021 onwards. To prevent the spread of COVID-19, lecturers and students must strictly follow the COVID-19 precaution measures.
- 5. Internships, field trips and training should combine onsite and online practice by using assignment based, work from home, project based, etc. Lecturers must evaluate student progress regularly online and on-site, but they must not affect standard criteria of curriculum and requirements of related professional councils.
- 6. Faculty and departments must change assessment methods to suit the situation by using online platform or on-site examination or combined assessment methods such as online examination, assignment, report, in-class or take-home examinations. Faculty and departments must inform students about the changed processes.

- 7. Faculty, departments and offices should allow staff members to work in an office not more than 50% of total members while the rest should work from home.
- 8. Students and staff who live in or travel past the maximum and strict control zones are not allowed to enter the university premises. They should inform their instructors or supervisors and they will not be considered as absent. The instructors or supervisors should offer courses or provide works which are suitable to work from home instead.
- 9. University will not allow to organize any students' activities, indoor and close contact exercises, and mass participation activities which are likely to have close contact. If it is necessary to organize such activities or events, the organizers must request the permission from the Senior Vice President for Administrative Affairs as Director of COVID-19 Emergency Operation and Assistance Center and propose the COVID-19 precaution measures.
- 10. The Benefit and Properties Management Unit and the Dormitory Office must supervise all food and drinks shops to strictly follow the COVID-19 precaution measures of Department of Health.
- 11. If students or staff have a fever or any breathing difficulty or suspect to contact with an infected person or witness an incident or activity leading to the spread of the Novel Coronavirus 2019, [MOU2] they must fill out the form to report the incident: "Anticipating COVID-19 patient at KMUTT" at bit.ly/Wereport" and go to hospital for treatment.
- 12. If there shall be any issues arising from this announcement, the Senior Vice President for Administrative Affairs as Director of COVID-19 Emergency Operation and Assistance Center is tasked with deliberating and executing any action deemed appropriate and reporting to the President accordingly.

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Form "Anticipating COVID-19 patient at KMUTT"