

(English Translated Version)

Kasetsart University Announcement Guidelines for Operating Classes and Examinations

Workplace Operations

Relief Measures of the COVID-19 Disease, Issue 37

Because the spread of the COVID-19 disease in Thailand has been declining recently, coupled with the fact that Kasetsart University's students and staff are now fully vaccinated in compliance with the safety measures and guidelines of Thai Government, Kasetsart University is preparing to re-open its campuses for instruction and workplace operations beginning with first semester of Academic Year 2022, effective 27 June 2022.

By virtue of Section 37 of Kasetsart University Act. B.E. 2558, and with the approval granted by the Kasetsart University Executive Committee (Meeting Agenda No. 5/2022 dated 9 May 2022) all offices on campus should comply by undertaking the following actions:

- 1. All faculties, colleges, and campuses should consider operating on-site classes and examinations from 27 June 2022 onward, in compliance with the announcements and guidelines of the governing province. Kasetsart University urges its faculties, colleges, and campuses to provide on-site classes and examinations by using digital systems and platforms to facilitate their academic programs and activities effectively.
- **2. KU staff shall resume normal work-on-site functions starting on 1 June 2022**, strictly following the prevention guidelines against COVID-19 and the guidelines as announced by the governing province.
- 3. KU departments and faculties must strictly follow the prevention guidelines against COVID -19 and the guidelines as announced by the governing province, seeking to adhere to the following instructions:
- 3.1 Students/staff who have a <u>low-risk</u> of contact with COVID-19 may attend classes/ workplace, and self-isolation is not needed. Regularly observation is advised. Additionally, students/ staff should sit at least 1 meter distance from others.
- 3.2 Students/staff who have a <u>high-risk</u> of contact with COVID-19, but who have already been fully vaccinated, may remain in classes/workplace but must be stay least 2 meters from others, must take a self-Antigen Test Kit on the 5th and 10th day after contract with the infected patients, and report the results of the test to their head of faculty/department or workplace/supervisor.
- 3.3 Students/staff who have a positive COVID-19 test result shall seek appropriate medical treatment that complies with the safety measures of the Ministry of Public Health and resume their studies/duties only when they have fully recovered.

- 3.4 International students/staff who seek to enter Thailand by air will be subject to new entry measures and guidelines of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (register with Thailand Pass, if required). Copies of the relevant documents must be presented prior to returning to classes/workplace.
- 3.5 Heads of administrative units shall continue to supervise the prevention guidelines against COVID-19 (e.g., body temperature check before entering a building or venue, wearing a face mask, providing alcohol-based hand sanitizer at the point of entry and keeping the venue sanitary, complying with physical distancing and ensuring a good ventilation system).

If students/staff have an illness or a body temperature more than 37.5 degree, they should take a self-Antigen Test Kit and be monitored. If the test shows a positive COVID-19 infection, they must seek medical treatment immediately and comply with the health and safety measures stipulated by the Ministry of Public Health and follow the instructions of their medical caretaker.

- 4. KU departments or academic units overseeing student activities (e.g., student association activities, student club activities, sports activities and the other on-campus student events) shall strictly comply with Thai government's prevention measures as follows:
- 4.1 All student activities shall be conducted in compliance with guidelines to the prevent the spread of COVID-19.
- (1) Ensure screening measures are implemented for any person seeking to enter the building
 - (2) Wear a face mask at all time
 - (3) Keep physical distancing at least 1-2 meter
- (4) Provide alcohol-based hand gel or soap and water at the entry and at areas heavily used by multiple people
 - (5) Keep the venue sanitary with appropriate ventilation system
- (6) If students who have an illness or have a <u>high-risk</u> of contact with COVID-19, they shall inform the event's coordinator immediately.
 - 4.2 Guidelines for organizing student activities on campus:
- (1) Venues and buildings may be used for student activities from 8:30-22:00 (subject to the guidelines of the venue).
- (2) Onsite activities are permitted to held in closed or covered areas, with participants not exceeding 1,000 people. If the activity is held in an open-air area, the number of participants shall be adjusted as appropriate as the venue's capacity, adhering to distancing guidelines.

5. Travelling aboard and organizing academic conferences or International academic seminars.

- 5.1 Travelling aboard for an academic mission, research, academic services or other related activities under the auspices of Kasetsart University may be carried out. The head of the department or the vice president should supervise and approve requests for travel, as appropriate.
- 5.2 Academic conferences or international academic seminars should be conducted as appropriate (online, on-site, or hybrid format), to ensure strict compliance with guidelines intended to prevent and control diseases, as prescribed by governmental bodies.

- **6.** Kasetsart University Campuses, practicum workplaces, and research stations (located in regions of Thailand that are outside Bangkok) should remain alert to the local situation and strictly comply with regional announcements. The head of a department (administrative or academic unit) at each campus, practicum workplace, and research station should consider the local health situation and adopt supervisory practices as needed, and report actions taken to comply with safety protocols to their department head.
- 7. The department may issue guidelines or measures related to teaching and management of educational and student activities as appropriate. However, implement of guidelines or measures must be consistent with this announcement.
- **8.** If any operation cannot be conducted in accordance with this announcement, the President shall have final decision-making authority.

This announcement will be effective from 01 June 2022 until further notice.

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