



(Translated Version)

Announcement of Mahidol University Safety and Precaution Measures Regarding the COVID-19 for Students

The outbreak of the novel Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) has been escalating as cross border transmission is currently more than 34 countries around the world. Mahidol University has consequently announced safety and precaution measures to control and prevent the spread of this infectious disease.

In line with this, Mahidol University released the first Safety and Precaution Measures Regarding the COVID-19 on the 26th January 2020. This was followed by the second announcement on the 11th February 2020. It appears, however, that the COVID-19 outbreak has continued to spread out and, on top of this, the Ministry of Public Health has recently listed the COVID-19 as a severe communicable disease. With the awareness on danger and serious damage this may cause, Mahidol University has decided to elevate its safety and precaution measures regarding the COVID-19 for students in order to protect the students' health and to facilitate the management of the University as follows:

1. Students are advised to **avoid or postpone travelling** to the countries/territories/areas being reported of having cases surge / ongoing outbreak of the COVID-19, according to the Department of Disease Control, Ministry of Public Health, to reduce the risk and prevent the spread of the disease. This advice is effective from now until the 30th April 2020, unless otherwise announced.

2. In case of students allowed to travel to or transit through the countries/territories/areas being reported of having cases surge / ongoing outbreak of the COVID-19, according to the Department of Disease Control, Ministry of Public Health, before this announcement date, their travel must be **cancelled or postponed** to the date after the period specified in No. 1. For expenses incurred or approved before the date of this announcement, refund of the actual amount can be requested at their affiliated faculties/colleges/institutes.

3. In the event that students have travelled to or transited through the countries / territories / areas being reported of having cases surge / ongoing outbreak of the COVID-19, according to the Department of Disease Control, Ministry of Public Health, before this announcement, the students have to strictly follow these instructions:

3.1 **To report the Head of their faculties/colleges/institutes within 24 hours after returning from to the countries/territories/areas (by phone, email, or any other channels).**

3.2 **To refrain from attending classes and observe their conditions/symptoms for 14 days**, adhering to the guideline for self-quarantine at home announced by the Department of Disease Control, Ministry of Public Health: such period of time is not considered an absence.

3.3 If students have a fever or represent one of the following respiratory symptoms, such as, coughing, sore throats, running nose or difficulty breathing, they must seek medical suggestions from a medical professional or obtain the COVID-19 screening test at a trusted hospital. Apart

from strictly follow the advice of the medical personnel, the students are requested to report back their conditions to the Head of their faculties/colleges/institutes.

4. The Head of the faculties/colleges/institutes should report the case or progress to **"Student Health Services (MU Health)", Division of Student Affairs, Mahidol University, at 0-2-849-4529-30 or mahidolhealth@mahidol.edu.**

5. In the event that students are at risk from contacting or getting close to patients suffering from the COVID-19, it is up to the discretion of the Head of the faculties/colleges/institutes to give their directions in this regard.

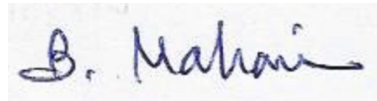
6. In the event that students travel to or transit through the countries/territories/areas being reported of the COVID-19 infection but not with ongoing outbreak, it is up to the discretion of the Head of the faculties/colleges/institutes to give their directions in this regard.

7. If touching and direct contact with patients is necessary in medical care training or research process, the consideration of suspension or postponement of such activities is up to the discretion of the Head of the faculties/colleges/institutes.

In order to jointly control the COVID-19 outbreak, it is required that students regularly monitor the situations, recommendations or practices from the website of the Department of Disease Control, Ministry of Public Health at <https://ddc.moph.go.th/viralpneumonia/intro.php> and the World Health Organization (WHO).

Please be noticed and comply with this announcement accordingly.

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