



## Announcement of Mahidol University

On

### The Re-opening of Mahidol University Premises under the State of Emergency Announcement

References are made to the release of the Thai government's State of Emergency Announcement and the provisions under Section 9 of the Emergency Decree on Public Administration in Emergency Situation B.E. 2548 (No. 32) dated the 28<sup>th</sup> August 2021, Bangkok Metropolitan Administration's Announcement on the Temporary Closure of Premises (No. 41) dated the 29<sup>th</sup> August 2021 and Mahidol University's Announcement on the Guidelines for the Use of Mahidol University Premises under the State of Emergency Announcement dated the 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2021.

As the surge of COVID-19 infected cases in several areas is on the improve, Mahidol University therefore would like all faculties/colleges and institutes to follow measures below to re-open the university premises for routine operations and academic activities in accordance with the guidelines to prevent further outbreak of the Coronavirus 2019 (COVID-2019) suggested by the Ministry of Higher Education, Science and Innovation (MHESI), as follows:

1) Faculties, colleges and institutes which are prepared for the re-opening of the premises and capable of following the guidelines referenced above are allowed to resume on-site operations for both routine, academic, research and training activities. Additional measures include:

1.1 Faculties/ colleges and institutes and units under the Office of the President are to prepare for a long-term management in securing rapid test kits and performing the tests on staff and students, along with ensuring that staff and students are fully vaccinated. Mahidol University will provide more information regarding additional measures to prevent the outbreak of the Coronavirus 2019 (COVID-19) released by MHESI once it is made available.

1.2 Faculties, colleges and institutes are still allowed to organize academic activities online as referenced in Mahidol University's Guideline for Undergraduate Teaching and Learning (Academic Year 2564) dated the 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2021. Staff members are also allowed to work from home as seen appropriate by heads of the faculties/colleges and institutes, paying regard to the efficiency and continuity of work processes. Vice presidents supervising units under the Office of the President are authorized to adjust workloads of the staff to be appropriately distributed between working on-site and from home.

2) All faculties/colleges/institutes in Phyathai, Bangkok Noi, Salaya and Kanchanaburi campuses ( highest maximum- controlled areas) are to cancel social activities with participants more than 25 people and faculties/colleges/institutes in Nakhon Sawan and Amnat Charoen campuses are to cancel social activities with participants more than 50 people. All measures relating to the prevention of the outbreak of the Coronavirus 2019 (COVID – 19) must also be strictly observed in all these activities. Faculties/colleges/institutes planning to use the premises for activities with participants more than the number mentioned above, a permission from local authorities or the Committee for Disease Control in their respective provinces is required.

3) All faculties/ colleges/ institutes providing healthcare-related services and campus security and maintenance, so on and so forth, are allowed to use the university's premises as normal.

4) As for construction projects in Phyathai, Bangkok Noi and Salaya Campus, it is advised that faculties/colleges/institutes follow the measures outlined in Mahidol University's Guidelines for Operations under the State of Emergency Announcement dated the 10<sup>th</sup> July 2021.

Please be advised accordingly. This announcement enters into effect from the 1<sup>st</sup> September 2021 onwards or until further notice.

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