



Prince of Songkla University Announcement

Subject: Guidelines for a new model of teaching-learning and exam management during and after coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic situation

With reference to the Prince of Songkla University Announcement, subject: Guidelines for teaching, learning and exam management during the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic situation, dated 4 January 2021 and effective until January 31, 2021, Prince of Songkla University specifies the following guidelines for teaching-learning and exam model management amidst the pandemic and under normal circumstances:

1. Blended Learning (Hybrid Learning) should be utilized, by organizing a variety of teaching and learning activities, combining online learning and classroom study in conjunction with other forms of learning management that emphasize critical thinking, problem solving, practice, and other skills that can measure and evaluate learning outcomes according to the objectives specified in the course. Campuses, faculties, and programs are authorized to consider flexible and adaptive activities for teaching and learning activities while adhering to the university's policies regarding the Hybrid Learning and Active Learning models.

2. Examination format for all subjects can be modified at the lecturer's discretion for learning outcome measurement. On-site examination can be combined with other appropriate and effective forms of measurement and evaluation, such as online exams, take-home exams, reflection, or work/activity evaluation. The ratio must be consistent with the proportion of Active Learning specified in the course program.

3. All campuses, faculties, and programs shall provide well-equipped classrooms with online learning systems and equipment in order to avoid disparity for students with inadequate equipment, location, and network access.

4. Regarding additional ad hoc guidelines in emergency situations of the second wave of the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) outbreak for all types of internships, including on-the-job training or co-operative education, the campuses, faculties, and programs shall consider the conditions of the controlled zone according to the announcement of the Center for COVID-19 Situation Administration (CCSA) as follows:

4.1 Maximum control zone (Red Zone)

1) To avoid unnecessary movement of students already training or participating in co-operative education, the programs must coordinate between students and establishments to jointly find guidelines for management to maintain the highest level of safety for students. In this regard, strict compliance with the monitoring standards of the Department of Disease Control, Ministry of Public Health is mandatory. In case students want to return or the establishment cannot operate to ensure the safety of students, the establishment must send students back. To accommodate this, campuses, faculties, and programs must prepare a quarantine facility and implement quarantine in accordance with the monitoring standards of the Department of Disease Control with utmost safety in mind. In addition, they shall organize

activities or mandatory work in safe areas, to allow students to complete their work in accordance with the conditions of internship/co-operative education, preventing failure to graduate within the specified duration.

2) Students who have not yet traveled for internship or co-operative education are prohibited to travel to Red Zone areas. Internships or co-operative education through work-from-home is allowed, as long as students physically stay at their original location.

4.2 High control zone (Orange Zone)

1) For students who are already training or participating in cooperative education, the same rules apply as for those in the maximum control zone (Red Zone).

2) Students who have not yet traveled for internship or co-operative education are advised to avoid traveling into the Orange Zone area. However, if the campuses, faculties, and programs consider such travel absolutely necessary, they must provide adequate clarification for students to strictly comply with the measures or guidelines for controlling the outbreak of that province. They also need to contact and coordinate with the establishment to prepare measures for adequate supervision of the student's safety, along with setting up a system to closely monitor the students.

4.3 Other zones

1) Students are allowed to travel for internships or co-operative practice in areas other than Red Zone or Orange Zone as usual, but they must strictly adhere to the measures or guidelines for outbreak control of that province.

2) Foreign exchange students must delay all travel until the situation is resolved according to announcements by the government, Ministry of Higher Education, Science, Research and Innovation, and to provincial measure announcements, by which the university will issue further announcements. If deemed absolutely necessary, such travel plans must be proposed to the President for approval.

These regulations and guidelines were approved through and are in accordance with the resolution of the 57th Prince of Songkla University Academic Committee Meeting (1/2021) on 13 January 2021.

This announcement takes effect on the date of issue, and remains in effect until a further announcement is issued.

Please be informed and act accordingly.

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