

ANNOUNCEMENT OF TEACHING AND LEARNING IN SEMESTER 2/2021 OF RANGSIT UNIVERSITY INTERNATIONAL COLLEGE AND UPDATE ON COVID-19 PREVENTION AND MEASURES

Rangsit University International College's Semester 2/2021 begins in January, and we're preparing for a vibrant residential educational experience for our students, instructors and staff for the return to the new normal.

We recognize that the COVID-19 pandemic has not ended and that many are concerned about their health and that of their family members. The approach to campus safety outlined below meets or exceeds the current Thai Ministry of Public Health's guidance and has the full support of our own public health and medical experts.

In order for a smooth transition to accommodate the new normal in the next term, the following outlines the new protocols needed to have on-site classes again in Term 2. These protocols have been separated into 3 distinct categories:

1. Protocols for Teaching and Learning in Semester 2/2021:

a. On-Site Classes:

RIC students wishing to enroll in on-site classes will be offered for certain sections. The students and the lecturers must be fully-vaccinated (2 weeks after single dose or two doses of vaccines) or having ATK (Antigen Test Kit) results within 1 week. The onsite classes include:

- -Major courses include IB, Comm. Arts and MIDB
- -General Education (GE) courses for Section 100

b. Online Classes:

RIC students wishing to enroll in online classes will be offered for certain sections. The online classes include:

- -Foundation Courses (Plan A, Plan B and 3GE Classes) for Section 208 and 209
- General Education (GE) courses for Section 101

c. Hybrid Classes:

RIC students wishing to enroll in hybrid classes will be offered for certain classes and for the on-site classes students and lecturers must be fully-vaccinated. This includes: **ICT major classes.**

Note:

- The updated timetable is available at www.rsuip.org/for-student/timetable
- Students must decide on the subjects or sections they plan to take when registering for 2/2021 semester. We do not allow students to switch from onsite to online classes once the semester begins.

2. Protocols and Measures for Entering an Onsite Classroom:

- a. All RIC students and lecturers are required to wear face masks that fit properly.
- b. All RIC students and lecturers must take their temperatures and thoroughly wash their hands before entering the classroom.
- c. No more than 30-35 students are allowed per classroom.
- d. All RIC students and lecturers wishing to attend on-site classes are requested to provide a copy of their vaccine certificates to the RIC office in exchange for a permission card for classroom entry. Keep this card with you all the time during on-site classes throughout the entire term. In case of loss, 100 Baht fee is charged.

- e. All RIC students and lecturers who need to test for ATK are required to contact RIC office at the available service time (8:30-15:00) at your own expense.
- f. All RIC students and lecturers who enter the onsite classrooms will be randomly checked with ATK tests for health surveillance.
- g. Food and drinks are not allowed inside the classrooms.
- h. Complete the following daily self-check for signs and symptoms as listed below before arriving on campus and scan the QR code when entering the building. If found symptomatic, stay at home. Contact **Line Official (@RSUinter)** and your advisor.

Headache
Cough
Shortness of breath
High fever
Chills
Loss of smell or taste
Vomiting
Diarrhea
Runny nose
Sore throat
Muscle pain
Nasal congestion
Fatigue
Nausea

3. Protocols and Measures if found Symptomatic:

- a. If you feel sick, please stay at home.
- b. If anyone tests positive for the COVID-19, you are requested to contact the RIC office staff immediately via **Line Official (@RSUinter)** and your advisor for the next step.

We encourage everyone at Rangsit University International College to respect each other with the concern for health and safety of the community. While we work to confront the pandemic with tenacity and resolve, we must remember to be kind to each other. Almost everyone has suffered some trauma and loss over the course of this pandemic. Please be mindful of your own actions to the many things around you and take the time to care for yourselves — and for each other. By doing these things, we will help to propel our community forward in fulfilling our mission of transforming lives through education and research.

Over the last 18 months, our community has taken steps with two priorities in mind: first, safeguarding the health and safety of our community, and second, ensuring that teaching, learning, and doing research continue at the highest levels of excellence. With your care and commitment, the measures and protocols that have been instituted throughout this pandemic will see us through this great uncertainty. As we embark on Term 2 of the academic calendar, we can continue to keep RIC Healthy together.

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