



Announcement of Mahidol University

The Guideline to Facilitate the Return of International Students to Their Home Countries and of Mahidol University's Personnel and Students to Thailand (All Kinds of Scholarships)

As the situation and trend of the coronavirus outbreak (COVID-19) has become a pandemic, Mahidol University has been of a great concern about the safety and well-being of international students residing within the campus and Mahidol University's personnel and students studying and performing duties abroad. Accordingly, Mahidol University is announcing the guideline to facilitate the return of international students to their home countries and of Mahidol University's personnel and students back to Thailand, as follows:

- 1) Heads of faculties/colleges/institutes are advised to liaise with international students studying in Mahidol University as well as personnel and students of Mahidol University studying or performing duties abroad and to confirm of their wishes to return to home countries or back to Thailand. Heads of faculties/colleges/institutes are to notify the Division of International Relations or the Division of Human Resources, depending on the sources and types of funding received.
- 2) International students studying in Mahidol University and wishing to return to their home countries are to follow steps below:
 - 2.1 International students are advised to contact their respective embassies and be familiar with regulations and recommendations in returning to their home countries, for example, the acquisition of health certificates and so on.
 - 2.2 International students are to inform their respective faculties/ colleges/ institutes of their wishes to return to their home countries. International students

are to be responsible for any cost incurred, including travelling, medical check-up or screening expenses, or as agreed upon the funding conditions between the international students and funding agencies.

- 3) Mahidol University's personnel and students studying or performing duties abroad and wishing to return to Thailand are advised to follow steps below:

3.1 **Mahidol University's personnel and students studying or performing duties abroad are advised to contact the Thai embassies and consulates in their respective countries or the Ministry of Foreign Affairs** and later inform heads of faculties/colleges/institutes of their wishes to return to Thailand. Any cost incurred from the expense of travelling or the proof of health certificates will depend on the conditions under the agreed terms of the funding agencies. The head of faculties/ colleges/ institutes could consider subsidizing the return using the faculties/colleges/institutes' revenue on a case-by-case basis.

3.2 Mahidol University's personnel and students studying or performing duties abroad and wishing to return to Thailand are **advised to observe the regulations and recommendations for travellers coming from areas of serious outbreak, areas with continuous case surge or areas with reported confirmed cases by the World Health Organization (WHO) or other areas as well as to study the updated information for travellers on arrival** from the Department of Disease Control, Ministry of Public Health, at: <https://ddc.moph.go.th/viralpneumonia/index.php>

Please be advised and follow the announcement and Mahidol University will assist and facilitate faculties/colleges/institutes accordingly.

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