

GUIDELINES FOR AIMST STUDENTS RETURNING TO CAMPUS EFFECTIVE FROM 1 MARCH 2022

Students who are returning to campus are required to adhere to the following guidelines to maintain the welfare and safety of our students.

VACCINATION STATUS OF THE STUDENTS:

- a) Only students who have **completed the vaccination** (after 14 days for the two-dose vaccine or after 28 days for the single-dose vaccine) are allowed to return to campus.
- b) All the eligible students are advised to take the booster dose of the vaccine.
- c) Students who had not taken the vaccine due to health reasons are requested to contact the respective faculties for further guidance.

A. GUIDELINES FOR THE HOSTELLERS RETURNING TO CAMPUS:

- 1. Student entry to the campus is strictly based on the schedule. Any unscheduled entry into the campus will not be permitted.
- 2. To ensure the safety of the students in campus, the returning students must perform a COVID-19 Home Self-Test Saliva Rapid Antigen test (RTK) within 24 hours before the day of travel to campus and update the result in MySejahtera. Students who are tested positive for RTK-Antigen are not allowed to return until the end of the quarantine period as directed by the Ministry of Health Malaysia (MOH).
- 3. Students who have flu-like symptoms are advised to defer the travel until symptomfree.
- 4. Students should fill the online health declaration form before travelling to the campus through the following link: <u>https://forms.gle/ZAPSGrj67pwpxchk8</u>
- 5. Students are requested to plan their travel so that they **reach the campus during the working hours** on the prescribed date (8:30 am to 5:00 pm).
- 6. All students are encouraged to use **MySejahtera / QR Code at the security gate** while entering the campus.
- All returning students should undergo a basic health screening and COVID-19 Self-Test Saliva Rapid Antigen test (Day-1 Test) by the screening team at the designated venue (Students' Orientation Hall at Cafeteria 1st floor or Sports complex)
- 8. Following the basic health screening and negative test result, students have to undergo five (5) days of quarantine at the in-campus quarantine area.

- 9. Students are strictly not allowed to move out of the quarantine area during the 5 days of quarantine. In view of the students' vaccination status and negative swab test, accommodation at the quarantine centre will be on the basis of two (2) student per room. Students pairing will be based on students from the same residential location / travelling together / siblings / students of same cohort or programme.
- 10. Students should deposit the "Student ID" to the warden office during check-in and collect the same while checking out.
- 11. Students will be provided with an **online health assessmen**t link to fill-in their health status **on a daily basis** for monitoring purpose.

12. Packed food will be provided at the quarantine centre.

- 13. Students developing any symptom during the quarantine period should immediately contact the AIMST Clinic for further examination.
- 14.All the students **MUST follow strict SOP** including wearing mask, frequent hand washing etc., and maintaining social distancing during their quarantine period.
- 15. Severe disciplinary action will be taken against the student who violates the quarantine guidelines.
- 16. Following 5 days of quarantine, student should undergo **RTK-Antigen test at the AIMST Clinic (Day-5 Test).**
- 17. Following a negative result and approval by the doctors at the AIMST Clinic, students shall **move to their regular hostel rooms** and attend practical/clinical sessions as per the faculties direction.

B. GUIDELINES FOR THE NON-HOSTELLERS ENTERING THE CAMPUS:

- 1. The non-hostellers who are **fully vaccinated** are permitted to **enter and exit the campus** on a daily basis to attend their practical/clinical training sessions.
- 2. Students must perform the COVID-19 Home Self-Test Saliva Rapid Antigen test (RTK) within 24 hours before the first day of entry to campus and update the result in MySejahtera. For the safety of the staffs and students in the campus, non-hostellers moving in and out on a daily basis are advised to repeat the Home Self-test once every 2 weeks and update the results in MySejahtera. The kit will be provided by the University.
- 3. Students who have recently performed **interstate or interdistrict travel** are required to **undergo COVID-19 Home Self-Test Saliva Rapid Antigen test (RTK)** before they enter the campus.
- 4. Students are encouraged to use **MySejahtera / QR Code at the security gate** while entering the campus and also at the **entrance of the building / laboratories** where they undergo the training / research activities.

- 5. Non-hostellers with any Covid-19 related symptoms/who have been in contact with a confirmed/suspected Covid-19 patient will not be permitted to enter the campus and are advised to isolate at your current residence and consult the health authorities.
- Students must wear face masks (face shields), use hand sanitizer and maintain social distancing during the sessions and also during their presence in the campus.
- Severe disciplinary action will be taken against the student who violates the guidelines.
- Students suspected with Covid-19 related symptoms / close contacts with symptoms will be placed in quarantine center for a minimum of 5 days or more as per the AIMST Clinic doctor's suggestion and they should strictly follow the SOP at quarantine center. Students should undergo repeat RTK antigen test/ RT-PCR for release from Quarantine center.

This notice is subject to any change to the directives and circulars that will be issued by the Government and the University from time to time.

Thank you for helping us keep the campus safe.

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