

## **MONDAY, 14 MARCH 2022**

## STUDENT ADMISSION SEMESTER 2 ACADEMIC SESSION 2021/2022 MAIN CAMPUS

It is with great pleasure for me to refer to the above matter. All students are requested to read and understand the following items:

- 1. All Cohort 1 students given permission by the respective Academic Schools to return to the campus to continue with their studies may do so providing they have;
  - a) Completed their vaccination
  - b) Not completed their vaccination
  - c) Not vaccinated due to health/medical factors
  - d) Not vaccinated by choosing not to do so.
- 2. Students are required to fill in the 'Deklarasi Risiko COVID-19' (COVID-19 Risk Declaration) via Campus Online (Borang A) before 20 March 2022 to obtain permission from the Dean of the respective Academic School and approved by the USM Nerve Centre, and to respond to the questions in the 'Saringan Risiko COVID-19' (COVID-19 Risk Screening). Students are required to bring the printed 'Borang A' upon arriving at the campus, and to be given to the officials on duty during registration at the 'Padang Kawad'.

(Note: In the space for 'desasiswa' in 'Borang A', it can be filled with the name of any 'desasiswa' but is subject to provision made by the University. Students are NOT ALLOWED to change 'desasiswa' which has been allocated by the University)

3. Students may proceed to register their names at the 'Padang Kawad' beginning 8.00 am until 5.00 pm according to these times:

DATE & DAY	ACADEMIC SCHOOL
26 March 2022 (Saturday)	a) Housing, Building and Planning b) Arts
27 March 2022 (Sunday)	a) Mathematical Sciences b) Biological Sciences c) Humanities
28 March 2022 (Monday)	a) Computer Sciences b) Pharmaceutical Sciences c) Chemical Sciences d) Social Sciences

29 March 2022 (Tuesday)	<ul> <li>a) Industrial Technology</li> <li>b) Educational Studies</li> <li>c) Physics</li> <li>d) Communication</li> <li>e) ISDEV</li> <li>f) INOR</li> <li>g) Centre for Global Archaeological Research</li> </ul>
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- 4. Students are **REQUIRED** to undergo the COVID-19 Self-Test prior to arriving at the campus according to the predetermined dates. Those who did not undergo the self-test before arriving at the campus are required to do so upon registering at the campus and paying for the cost of the saliva self-test kit.
- 5. Students are required to write down their names and date of test done on the respective COVID-19 Test Kit and to take a photograph of the test outcome and the result to the officials on duty for verification.
- 6. Students will also be given a saliva self-test kit to be used on the third day on campus. All students are required to do the self-test and to provide the data by scanning the QR code provided.
- 7. Students who are not vaccinated are required to undergo the RT-PCR swab test three (3) days prior to the date of coming into the campus and to provide the swab test result for verification. Students are no longer required to undergo the COVID-19 self-test upon registering at the campus.
- 8. The COVID-19 Screening Test for the admission of students into the campus is done in refence to the directive from the Malaysian Ministry of Health (KKM) on the National COVID-19 Testing Strategy (Strategi Pengujian COVID-19 Kebangsaan). Fulfillment of the SOP on admission of students who are not vaccinated will be as follows:
  - a) RT-PCR Test three (3) days prior to entering the campus
  - b) Gradual RTK-Ag Test (once a week)
  - c) Cost of RT-PCR/RTK-Ag test for a student who is not vaccinated will be borne in total by the student.
- 9. A student with symptoms will not be allowed to return to the campus until the symptoms have subsided even though the COVID-19 self-test result is negative.
- A student who is a close contact to a COVID-19 case from the same household, will not be allowed to return to the campus until the family member has completed the compulsory quarantine period.
- 11. A student who is in area under the Restricted Movement Control Order (RMCO) and in a location that enforces movement control, will not be allowed to return to the campus. This will be subject to the movement control order currently enforced.
- 12. While on campus, students need to undergo the COVID-19 Risk Screening as follows:
  - a) Body Temperature Examination
  - b) Status of Vaccination

- c) Status of Symptoms
- d) Photograph of Self-Test kit result
- e) Result of RT-PCR (a student who has undergone incomplete vaccination or not vaccinated).
- 13. A student who has cleared the COVID-19 Risk Screening will be given a green sticker and is allowed to continue the movement into the 'desasiswa' accommodation.
- 14. A student who fails the COVID-19 Risk Screening will need to undergo a procedure to be determined later.
- 15. Students are not allowed to bring their own vehicles, but if their have obtained clearance to do so, they can park their vehicles (temporarily) at the 'Padang Kawad' before directed to a location to be determined by the Security Department.
- 16. Key to the 'desasiswa' room will be provided at the predetermined 'desasiswa' office.
- 17. Parents/guardian who accompanies the student will not be allowed to enter the 'desasiswa' room, and is only allowed to disembark the student at the designated location near the 'desasiswa'.
- 18. For students coming to the university via public transportation or chartered buses, university transportation including buses will be provided at the 'Padang Kawad' to transport the students to the 'desasiswa'.
- 19. Students are not allowed to leave their respective 'desasiswa' throughout the three (3) days of being on campus (until the saliva self-test result is submitted) to ensure the safety of the University community from the COVID-19 infection.
- 20. While at the 'desasiswa', if a student begins to show symptoms, the student will be required to notify the USM Nerve Centre authorities for further action.
- 21. The aforementioned steps are taken in order to curb the spread of the COVID-19 pandemic on campus.
- 22. All students are urged to always practise self-monitoring including physical distancing, wearing a face mask, frequent washing of hands with water and soap or hand sanitiser, in addition to practising health care to avoid from being infected with any illness. If there are symptoms of COVID-19, a student is required to seek immediate medical attention at the nearest medical facility. Early treatment can reduce the risk of the illness becoming more critical.

The cooperation from all students is highly appreciated so as to facilitate the admission operations into the USM campus. All students are requested to always be mindful of self-care via practising the SOP that has been outlined.

Let us together carry the responsibility to curb the spread of COVID-19 at the USM campus.

Thank you.

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