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## OFFICIAL GUIDELINE

### STUDENTS RETURNING TO CAMPUS FOR SEMESTER 2 2021/22

**\*\* This guideline applies to all students at International Islamic University Malaysia (IIUM).**

**\* This guideline is subject to change as instructed by MKN and other authorities.**

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## **SECTION 1: BACKGROUND**

In developing this guideline, IIUM considers the following:

1. No student shall be left behind.
2. Teaching and learning must be effective, equitable and humanising.
3. Students with accessibility issues for learning must be assisted.

## **SECTION 2: IMPORTANT FACTS**

1. COVID-19 is an infection caused by the SARS-CoV-2 virus.
2. Vaccination has been shown to protect people against severe diseases and death.
3. Vaccinated individuals can still get the infection and transmit the infection to others. However, the risk is lower, and even if infected, they can recover from the virus faster.
4. Vaccination is not mandatory in Malaysia, but the government has relaxed many restrictions for those who have completed their vaccination.
5. Vaccination alone is not the way out from the pandemic.

### SECTION 3: OBJECTIVE

The primary objective of this guideline is **to protect the IIUM community from SARS-CoV-2 infection and, at the same time, return to a certain level of pre-COVID-19 normalcy.**

From the perspective of the Maqāṣid Ash-Sharī'ah, this guideline aims to fulfil the *maslahah' āmmah* (benefit of the larger community) in which the interest of the public shall take priority and precedence over *maslahah fardhīyyah* (individual benefit).

### SECTION 4: GENERAL RECOMMENDATIONS

1. IIUM is steadfast in ensuring the safety of her campuses and her community.
2. All positive cases, close contact as indicated in My Sejahtera application and symptomatic persons are not allowed to enter the campuses.
3. All members of the IIUM community must take active actions to prevent being infected with COVID-19 and from infecting others at any time in the University.
4. The IIUM community must have the sense of responsibility to adhere to the Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) announced by the Government and the University.
5. The IIUM community should be empowered to make their own decisions, but in doing so, they must be held accountable for every action made. This includes, but is not limited to, unvaccinated persons not being able to be physically present in certain areas/situations or may be subject to extra measures, in line with the primary objective stated above.
6. Completely vaccinated persons will be given greater access to the campuses and University facilities. Unvaccinated or partially vaccinated persons will be subjected to stringent conditions to access the campuses and the facilities.
7. Staff and students are highly encouraged to get their vaccinations, as vaccination has shown to reduce morbidity and mortality due to COVID-19 and, to some extent, lower the transmission rate.
8. IIUM is committed to ensuring equitable, and humanising education continues despite the pandemic.

**SECTION 5: SEMESTER 2 2021/2022**

1. Referring to the Dean's Council Meeting 01/2022 (7th January 2022) and was affirmed in the 484th University Senate Meeting (28th January 2022), it was agreed that all students, except those with health (COVID-19 related issues or hospital admission) and traveling restrictions, are expected to return to campus for Semester 2, 2021/2022 for face-to-face and/or hybrid teaching and learning activities.
2. All classes will have components of face-to-face learning.
3. Kulliyah/Centre/Institute should finalise preparations for the coming semester as we are required to observe and ensure that all teaching and learning activities adhere to the COVID-19 prevention Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs).
4. All teaching and learning arrangements must also accommodate those who are not able to return to campus due to COVID-19 related issues or hospital admission and travelling restrictions.
5. The dates and times of new and returning students to campuses are as the following table:

|                               | <b>CAMPUSES</b>               | <b>DATE / TIME</b>  |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|---|
| REGISTRATION FOR NEW STUDENTS | GOMBAK/<br>KUANTAN &<br>PAGOH | <b>27<sup>th</sup> February 2022</b><br>(Sunday)<br>9.00 am – 1.00 pm |

|                    | <b>CAMPUSES</b>             | <b>DATE / TIME</b>  |
|--------------------|-----------------------------|---|
| RETURNING STUDENTS | GOMBAK &<br>KUALA<br>LUMPUR | <b>5<sup>th</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> March 2022</b><br>(Saturday - Sunday)<br>9.00 am - 4.00 pm   |
|                    | PAGOH                       | <b>3<sup>rd</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> March 2022</b><br>(Thursday - Saturday)<br>9.00 am - 4.00 pm |
|                    | KUANTAN                     | <b>5<sup>th</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> March 2022</b><br>(Saturday - Sunday)<br>9.00 am - 4.00 pm   |

6. Only students who are fully vaccinated will be allowed to register and stay in Mahallah.

7. Those who have not completed their vaccination or unvaccinated would not be allowed to stay at Mahallah.
8. Based on the direction issued by the Minister of Defense on the SOPs for Higher Learning Institutions, unvaccinated students and staff are allowed to enter the campus.
9. However, they must do the RT-PCR test at their own cost and the result must be negative 3 days prior entering campus.
10. Those who were not fully vaccinated would be required to take weekly COVID-19 tests using RTK-Ag Rapid Test Kits (nasal and/or saliva) at their own cost.
11. For International students, only fully vaccinated students are allowed to enter the country and they must undergo quarantine for 7 days for fully vaccinated students and 5 days for those who had received booster dose.
12. All sports and leisure activities must follow strict SOP issued by Ministry of Health and National Security Council.
13. Those who are unvaccinated are allowed to resume their face-to-face teaching and learning activities on campus.
14. However, they must notify the Kulliyah/Centre/Institute about their vaccination status.
15. They must also do a weekly COVID-19 tests using RTK-Ag Rapid Test Kits (nasal and/or saliva) at their own cost, monitored by respective Kulliyah Task Force.
16. Each Kulliyah/Centre/Institute will submit the names of unvaccinated students to ISC (Gombak campus) and FHC (Kuantan campus) for monitoring purposes.

## SECTION 6: RETURNING AND NEW STUDENTS

IIUM is cognizant of the importance of in-person presence on campus for an impactful transformative education process; the following is a balance between *hifz al-nafs* and *hifz-al 'aql*:

1. Returning students and new students who are completely vaccinated (more than 14 days after the second dose of Pfizer, AstraZeneca and Sinovac/Sinopharm vaccines; or 28 days after the single dose of CanSino and Johnson & Johnson vaccines) may enter campuses.
2. All COVID-19 positive cases, close contact and symptomatic students are **not allowed** to return to campus.
3. Once on campus, all returning students and new students will have to undergo a self-COVID-19 symptom monitoring period which will be coordinated by the Occupational, Safety, Health and Built Environment Department (OSHBE).
4. Once on campus, any symptomatic students must report their status to ISC/IIUM Family Health Clinic.

## SECTION 7: STUDENTS WHO ARE ALREADY ON-CAMPUS

1. Students who are already on-campus and fully vaccinated are allowed to continue remaining on campus.
2. Any symptomatic on-campus students must report their status to ISC/IIUM Family Health Clinic

## SECTION 8: MAHALLAH ARRANGEMENTS

1. The University reserves the right to assign returning students to specific Mahallah to ensure efficient management of COVID-19 risk within the campuses.
2. At any time, on-campus students may be required to move from their assigned rooms to facilitate the University's management of COVID-19 infection.

## **SECTION 9: OTHER COMMUNITIES ON CAMPUS**

1. Other on-campus persons such as visitors, café operators, contractors and maintenance workers should be completely vaccinated before entering the campuses.
2. All visitors or workers entering the campuses will be required to present their vaccination status to OSEM.
3. Unvaccinated or incompletely vaccinated visitors and workers must show proof of negative COVID-19 test results within 72 hours prior to entering the campuses.
4. IIUM has the right to deny entry into campuses.

## **SECTION 10: ACCESS TO FACILITIES WITHIN CAMPUS**

1. All members of the IIUM community must adhere to the conditions and SOPs for the use of facilities within the campuses.
2. Unvaccinated or incompletely vaccinated persons will have limited access to facilities within the campuses and may also be refused from using certain facilities within the campuses.

## **SECTION 11: TESTING AND MONITORING**

1. On-campus unvaccinated persons will be subjected to regular COVID-19 testing and monitoring.
2. Unvaccinated staff and students, without a valid medical reason, will have to bear the cost of testing on their own.
3. The University accepts any COVID-19 testing methods approved by the Ministry of Health Malaysia.
4. Those who attending events/activities/gatherings on campus involving huge attendance must adhere to current SOPs issued by the authority.
5. The SOP which includes the number of capacities allowed for the respective venues and undergoing COVID-19 rapid test depending on the requirement by the organiser.

## SECTION 12: CONCLUSION

1. All staff and students must:
  - a. practice physical distancing of 2 metres apart at all times;
  - b. avoid the **3C** (**C**rowded, **C**onfined and **C**losed conversation);
  - c. practice the **3W** (**W**ash hands, **W**ear a mask and **W**arn);
  - d. observe appropriate coughing and sneezing etiquette; and
  - e. wear a mask in public areas.
2. All shall be subjected to action under the Prevention and Control of Infectious Disease Act 1988 (Act 342) for failure to declare or false declaration of your health condition and/or contact tracing situation or intentionally refuse to provide any relevant information as required by the University authority.

*May ALLAH SUBHANAHU WA TA'ALA protect us all.*

**IIUM SEJAHTERA COUNCIL**  
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