



UP VOICE

The Official Newsletter of the University of Puthisastra (UP)

UP REPRESENTS CAMBODIA AT WORLD EDUCATION CONFERENCE

Professor Ian Findlay, UP President and Vice-Chancellor represented UP and Cambodia at the Global Education Summit 2023 held recently at Chandigarh University, India. More than 40 universities from 30 countries, including the UK, USA, Australia, Canada, and many others, participated in the summit. While 20 academic leaders are physically attending, 27 others *including UP) joined virtually. The summit discussed the Global South and addressed critical concerns and challenges that impact developing nations in Asia, Africa, and Latin America.

During the summit's first day, discussions were held on topics such as 'Global Collaborations in Higher Education' for achieving 'Sustainable Development Goals'. In addition to the summit, many universities formalised partnerships for collaborative research initiatives, student exchange programmes, and joint academic projects, paving the way for future global collaborations in education and research.

UP has already signed a MOU with Chandigarh University promoting student exchange and visits to India

Professor Findlay discussed challenges and opportunities in Cambodia Higher Education.

Enormous potential in Cambodia

- Cambodia will be the region's fastest-growing economy by 2025 (World Bank)
- One of fastest growing economies in entire World (World Bank)
- 60% of population are <25 so young, vibrant energy. Aspirational, want more.
- Actively moving beyond low-skill, low-value economy to "knowledge economy" – but needs massive uplift in education & skill.
- Huge boom in aspiring middle class who strongly value education (massive 37% YoY increase in mortgages (ADB) - (sign of middle-class aspiration))
- Approx 200,000 new students per year - many value international qualifications.

The University of Puthisastra, as Cambodia's top university, is exceptionally & uniquely well placed to capitalise:

- Only Cambodian university internationally recognised in THE ranking
- Top 28th private university in ASEAN (top in Cambodia)
- Top 200 university of UN SDG goals
- Best academic results in Cambodia – 100% for all degrees, 95% for assoc degrees
- UP - Rapid growth - >132% growth over 5 yrs
- Most research in Cambodia - 200 research publications
- Leading educational platform (online learning) – Moodle based.
- 203 MOUs with National and International organisations



WHAT'S UP ON CAMPUS

• 29 OCTOBER 2023 | KING'S CORONATION DAY

UP ACCEPTS APPLICATION FOR INFORMATION COMMUNICATION AND TECHNOLOGY (ICT), YEAR 3!

Class starts 6th November 2023! Hurry UP, 75% Scholarship Available! For the programs detail, please contacts Mr. Kirin via the following number: 081 94 85 85

Register NOW via the following link:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSc2V0fhwPG0WLtAea9o9h_VVZIxteaJP1uTzU7y4hq0TDTQKg/viewform?fbclid=IwAR25wMzyUph_UeBpzmM7LflYShfuureduNILmx0QLYUMk4mMMIsrgH6gcDo

For more information, please send us a message or join the university's official Telegram Group via (UP Admissions ព័ត៌មានសិក្សានៅសាកលវិទ្យាល័យ ពុទ្ធិសាស្ត្រ) <https://t.me/UPadmission>

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2 WEEKS LEFT FOR REGISTRATION! BRIDGING BACHELOR DEGREE OF MEDICAL LABORATORY TECHNOLOGY IN THE NEW ACADEMIC YEAR 2023-2024!



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Students will spend 2 years (4 semesters) to complete this program. Generally, classes will be held from Friday to Sunday, on campus or via online and clerkship/internships will also be held on Monday to Friday.

Selection criteria:

- Associate degree in Medical Laboratory Technology or the equivalence recognized by Ministry of Health or Ministry of Education, Youth and Sport and has successfully passed the national exit exam.

Deadline of enrollment : 31 October 2023

Scholarship: 20% for the whole two-year program

Register NOW via:

<https://uperp.puthisastra.edu.kh/registration>

For more information about the program: Please contact us via telegram group BBL Information UP (<https://t.me/+YeTt4dLginM3ZTFI>)

For more information about Admission:

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UP ORGANIZES CONFERENCE UNDER THE THEME: "ASSESSMENT FOR BETTER LEARNING AND TEACHING"

This year UP is hosting another Learning and Teaching Conference, an annual event that brings together lecturers and professors from all faculties to learn and reinforce new and modern teaching methodologies and share good practice and innovation in learning and teaching.

The theme of this year's conference is "Assessment for Better Learning and Teaching," and it covers four key topics: (1) Designing effective assessment strategies (2) Ensuring fairness and equity in assessment (3) How to design good MCQs (4) The UP assessment standard

- Event date: Oct 27, 2023
- Time: 8:00 AM - 5:15 PM
- Location: Hall B (University of Puthisastra)

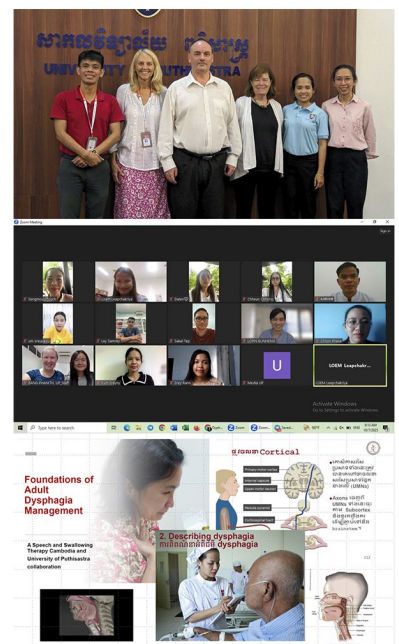
This event has an impact not only on the quality of learning and teaching at the University of Puthisastra but also on the education sector in Cambodia.



FOUNDATIONS OF ADULT DYSPHAGIA MANAGEMENT LAUNCHED AT UP LAST SATURDAY

On 7th Oct 2023, UP in collaboration with NGO Speech and Swallowing Therapy Cambodia (SSTC), launched Cambodia's first university-level certificate course in adult dysphagia. 15 trainees who are physicians, nurses, and physiotherapists working in public and private hospitals in Phnom Penh who were successfully selected for the program. This collaboration is generously supported via a grant from Rotary International.

This year-long part time course brings SSTC's dysphagia training programs, which have been developed in Cambodia over many years, to an exciting new level. The content – including lectures, workshops, exams and substantial clinical competency modules - was created and will be delivered jointly by international and Cambodian clinicians. All materials are in English and Khmer and include newly created Cambodia-based learning materials, such as instructional clinical videos, filmed in real-life settings in hospitals in Phnom Penh. As well as providing theoretical and clinical training to the participants, SSTC and UP will provide support in designing and developing dysphagia services for the five hospitals and clinics that are sending trainees. The Rotary Grant allows the course to be offered to trainees for free, and supports international dysphagia specialists to supervise the trainees during their clinical training.



This program is recognized by the Cambodia Medical Council and the Cambodia Nursing Council. This course is designed to facilitate the clinicians who are working full-time at the hospitals and will engage them in synchronous and asynchronous classes using UP's teaching and learning platform "UPOP". The trainees have access to the University learning resources such as learning platforms, library, simulation, classrooms, and conference room.

LABORATORY TOUR AT UP!

Faculty of Health Sciences and Biotechnology would like to inform students that the Department of Science Research will organize a study tour of the Research Laboratory and UP Health Center on October 19-20, 2023! High School students are encouraged to join this program.

Register now via link:
<https://forms.gle/yGrHHZTeBZmoEidYA>

Location: University of Puthisastra # 55, Street 180-184, Sangkat Boeung Reang, Khan Daun Penh
Google maps: <https://shorturl.at/kopUV>

UP DENTAL ASSISTANT COURSE A BIG SUCCESS

UP recently held the first dental assistant courses in Cambodia since before the COVID-19 pandemic. The two one-day courses were conducted by Ms Pekina Norodom, a registered dental hygienist from the United States.

The title of the course was Dental Assisting - A to Z and it was made up of lectures covering a wide range of topics - as well as some practical demonstrations. Students came from as far away as Siem Reap, including from some of the top clinics in Cambodia. UP's own dental assistants also attended. Dr Bhavna (UP Business Development and education manager for dentistry), Ms Srey Mao (Head Dental Assistant) and Mr Mapha (Dental Lab assistant) all helped make the courses run very smoothly. The participants greatly appreciated the bag of dental "goodies" which Pekina had prepared for them.

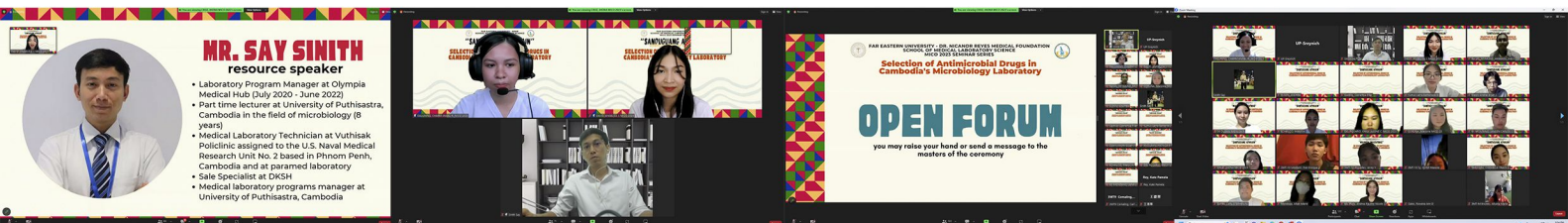
Next year Pekina hopes to return to conduct a longer more comprehensive training for dental assistants. Thank you so much Pekina for sharing your time, knowledge and skills with the dental assistants of Cambodia.



UP'S HEALTH SCIENCES AND BIOTECHNOLOGY STAFF WAS INVITED AS GUEST SPEAKER IN THE MICO 2023 SEMINAR SERIES

On Friday, October 6, 2023, Mr. Say Sinith, Laboratory Programs Manager at UP's Faculty of Health Sciences and Biotechnology was invited as a guest speaker by the School of Medical Laboratory Science, Far Eastern University (FEU), Philippines.

The seminar was the MICO 2023 Seminar Series and Mr. Sinith's topic is "Selection of Antimicrobials in Cambodian Microbiology Laboratory". The seminar was conducted through the online Zoom Meeting, with the participation of staff and students from UP and FEU.

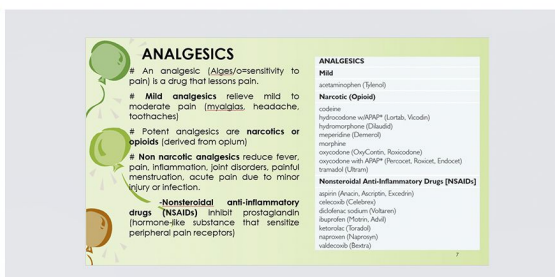
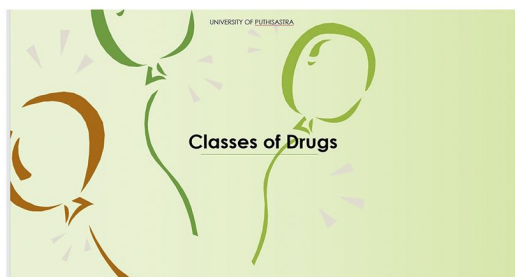


DRUG TYPES TRAINING

On 27th September, 2023, Mr. Sophearom Chhea, Assistant Dean at Faculty of Pharmacy, provided a training on Types of Drugs. He holds pharmacist degree, bachelor of education, and master of science in epidemiology. This training was moderated by HR office.

This training was conducted in the purpose of

1. Identify the origin of drugs.
2. Differentiate among the various classes of drugs.
3. Understand the drug action and side effect in different groups.



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On October 9, 2023, Bachelor of Science Research Batch 1 students of the Faculty of Health Sciences and Biotechnology, University of Puthisastra (UP) began their second clerkship in the laboratories of Pharma Product Manufacturing (PPM) which was led by the faculty staff. The clerkship will last for four weeks (Full Time Shift) which started from October 9, 2023, to November 3, 2023.

For more information about the Science Research Program, you can join the Telegram Channel via <https://t.me/+VYAjSYseT4A3ZjM1>



GETTING TO KNOW OUR NEW ENGLISH LECTURER: MR. KAO DARA

Mr. Kao Dara has years of experience working as an Academic English lecturer at Pannasatra University of Cambodia (PUC). He holds a strong teaching record and excels in developing comprehensive course materials. Mr. Dara is adept at integrating technology like Chat GPT, Zoom, and Google Suite to enhance the learning experience.

With a background in TESOL and a master's degree in Educational Administration and Leadership from PUC, Mr. Dara is deeply passionate about technology-integrated teaching, curriculum design, and educational research.

Currently, he serves as a full-time English lecturer at the University of Puthisastra, where he contributes his expertise to elevate the institution's academic standing and human capital development, both locally and regionally.



UP'S MEDICAL LABORATORY TECHNOLOGY STUDENTS PARTICIPATED IN THE 7TH CONGRESS OF ASIA ASSOCIATION OF MEDICAL LABORATORY SCIENTISTS (AAMLS 2023)

Congratulations to 4 Medical Laboratory Technology students led by staff of the Faculty of Health Sciences and Biotechnology, University of Puthisastra (UP) joined the 7th Congress of Asia Association of Medical Laboratory Scientists (AAMLS 2023). The event was held from 9th to 12th October 2023 at the World Trade Centre in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

The Faculty of Health Sciences and Biotechnology would like to express our deep thanks to the Cambodia Association of Medical Laboratory Technologists (CAMT), for their invitation to UP and students to be part of the event.

For more information about the Associated Laboratory Science Program, you can join the Telegram Channel via ADL Information UP (<https://t.me/+3elkZJiyV-BmOTZI>)



SHARING COURSE SESSIONS BY STAFF OF THE FACULTY OF PHARMACY, UNIVERSITY OF PUTHISAISTRA

On September 29, 2023, Mrs. Ung Huykhim, Head of Basic of Pharmaceutical Science and Full-time lecturer, Faculty of Pharmacy, University of Puthisastra, conducted a training course under topic of “Theory of Health Behavior in Social Science Research” which has objectives as below:

- Understand Health Behavior Theory
- Understand the conceptual framework of TPB
- How TPB apply in social science research and human behavior

She is glad to share the experience and thanks for UP staffs to join this sharing session.



UP STAFF SPEAK AT WORKSHOP ORGANIZED BY VENNUE FOUNDATION!

September 15-16, 2023 Mr. Hem Meng Khim, staff of the Faculty of Pharmacy, participated as an honorary speaker in the training course organized by VENNUE FOUNDATION and the Faculty of Pharmacy of the University of Puthisastra under the theme "Medication Adherence and Chronic Diseases Management." Pharmacy students and pharmacists from all universities in Cambodia can join free of charge and also receive a certificate.

In addition, Mr. Hem Meng Khim presented a topic entitled "The Role of Pharmacists in the Management of Diabetes." In this presentation, he also explained some important points related to

1. Pharmacist involvement in supporting diabetics
2. The importance of non-drug treatment for diabetics



ORAL PROPOSAL DEFENCE - BACHELOR OF NURSING SCIENCE - BRIDGING PROGRAM BATCH 4

The Faculty of Nursing recently held Oral Proposal Defense for Bachelor of Nursing Science-Bridging Program Batch 4 (BSNB-B3) at the University of Puthisastra.

On October 07th, 2023 from 09:00am to 11:30am at Hall H, the Faculty of Nursing and Midwife conducted the Oral Proposal Defence in the BSNB-B4 program which require students to develop their plan to sharpen their research skills to completing their research in the term of thesis development. It's the ongoing activities for students before they step out from campus with graduating and becoming qualified nurses.

Two groups of BSNB-B4 students had their oral proposal defense:

- Nutritional Knowledge and Dietary Intake Habits Among People Living with Diabetes in Khmer-Soviet Friendship Hospital of Cambodia and
- Knowledge, Practice, And Toward Foot Self-Care Among People with Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus at Cambodia-China Friendship Preah Kossamak Hospital in Cambodia.

Both groups successfully completed their oral proposal defense with some groups receiving suggestions and recommendation from the expert committees.



SENIOR PHARMACY CLUB THIS WEEK

On September 30 2023, The Senior Club of the Faculty of Pharmacy organized an Orientation on the Introduction and Practice of Station 1 (OSCE) for 5 Year Students in order to be competent enough to prepare for the entrance Internal exit exam coming soon.

Station 1: Consulting and communication

The first station aims to evaluate:

1. Ability to communicate and Counseling to customers
2. Clinical and Pharmaceutical Skill



EMPOWERING MINDS: A NEW CHAPTER BEGINS WITH THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN UNIVERSITY OF PUTHISASTRA AND INTI INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY



06 Oct 2023, The Faculty of ICT - University of Puthisastra have signed the MoU with INTI international University - Malaysia. The MoU aims to strengthen the collaboration between the two universities in the field of;

1. Student mobility and visiting scholar programs
2. Academic programs collaborations
3. Joint publication and research activities
4. Exchange of academic materials and other information
5. Scholarly activities such as courses, seminars, trainings, conferences, and symposiums organized by either of the Parties;
6. Other activities and programs as may be mutually agreed upon by the Parties.

