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The Official Newsletter of the University of Puthisastra (UP)

UNIVERSITY OF PUTHISAstra OFFICIALLY OPENS THE 2025 ACADEMIC YEAR



Phnom Penh, March 24, 2025 – The University of Puthisastra (UP) officially launched the 2025 academic year in a grand opening ceremony filled with enthusiasm and excitement.

The event welcomed a large number of new students, faculty members, university leaders, and parents, all eager to embark on this new academic journey together. The event was chaired by Her Excellency Cham Krasna, CEO of Soma Group and member of the Board of Trustees of University of Puthisastra.

During the ceremony, the university introduced its academic programs, student support services, and career development opportunities, reinforcing its commitment to providing high-quality education aligned with industry and societal needs.

Professor Ian Rouse, President and Vice-Chancellor of the University of Puthisastra, warmly welcomed the new students and emphasized the university's dedication to academic excellence.

"At UP, students not only gain knowledge, but also develop skills and confidence to respond to progress in a rapidly changing global context," he stated.

In addition to academic orientations, students participated in interactive sessions that introduced them to campus life, university leadership, and essential soft skills development—critical components for future success. The University of Puthisastra remains committed to empowering students with the knowledge, skills, and experience they need to become future leaders in their respective fields.

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INTERNAL QUALITY ASSURANCE WORKSHOP ON USING TEACHING ASSESSMENT FRAMEWORK AND TOOLS FOR MEASURING TEACHING QUALITY AT THE UNIVERSITY OF PUTHISASTRA



On March 21, 2025, the Internal Quality Assurance Unit of the University of Puthisastra hosted a workshop on "Using Teaching Assessment Framework and Tools for Measuring Teaching Quality." The event, opened by Ms. Rien Sarithyda, Director of Engagement and Partnership, aimed to enhance teaching quality through various teaching assessments. Mr. Sok Sarin, Quality Assurance Manager, began by introducing the new structure of the Internal Quality Assurance Unit of the University of Puthisastra before presenting UP's Teaching Assessment Framework and Tools. He also guided lecturers on how to use various teaching assessment questionnaires following the UP's procedures.

Additionally, Mr. Kol Rotha, Quality Assurance Coordinator, led a session on the Teaching Self-Assessment tool, providing a comprehensive overview of its key criteria, including Teaching Preparation, Pedagogy, Content Knowledge, Technology Use, Teaching Motivation and Professionalism, and University Engagement and Support. Lecturers had the opportunity to practice teaching self-assessment with facilitator support, encouraging active participation and discussion.

On that occasion, Mr. Vy Rawit, Quality Assurance Coordinator, presented case studies highlighting how teaching self-assessment informs professional development. He emphasized its role in identifying areas for growth and provided practical strategies for improvement.

The workshop concluded with a gracious closing by Professor Ian Rouse, President and Vice-Chancellor of the University of Puthisastra. In his insightful remarks, he thanked participants for their engagement and reaffirmed UP's commitment to teaching excellence.

OFFICIAL VISIT TO THE VITROSYS CLONE AND TECHNOLOGY LABORATORY



On 19, March 2025, the Department of Science Research of the University of Puthisastra (UP) organized an official visit to the Vitrosys Clone and Technology Laboratory (VCT Lab). This event happened with the honor participation of Ms. Rien Samrithyda, Director of Engagement and Partnership, UP, and Mr. Be Sokkeang, Science Research Program Manager, UP with a warm welcome from the VCT Lab team.

The main purpose of this visit is to build a relationship, visit the VTC Lab, and discuss the possible collaboration between the two institutes. The Science Research Department would like to thank the management and staff of the VCT Lab for allowing this visit to take place and also for sharing knowledge.

MEDICAL STUDENT PARTICIPATING IN THE UP-SW FRIENDSHIP AND CULTURAL EXACHNAGE PROGRAM



The Faculty of Medicine at the University of Puthisastra would like to congratulate Ms. Thea Sereyvichra on being selected to represent the Faculty of Medicine in the first-ever UP-SW Friendship and Cultural Exchange Program. This program, organized by the University of Puthisastra (Cambodia) and Showa University (Japan), aims to build stronger connections and promote cultural exchange in the field of medicine.

The UP-SW Friendship and Cultural Exchange Program will bring together 13 students from Showa University and 12 students from the University of Puthisastra, from various faculties including Medicine, Dentistry, Pharmacy, and Nursing. The program will provide a valuable chance for students to work together, learn from each other, and better understand the healthcare systems in both countries.

The main goals of the program are:

- To strengthen the relationship between Cambodia and Japan through a medical exchange.
- To explore the similarities and differences in healthcare and education for medical professionals in both countries.
- To give Japanese students the opportunity to experience Cambodia's culture.

2025 INTERNATIONAL SUMMER PROGRAM AT THE UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS CHICAGO (UIC), USA

Cheng Singlay, a Year 5 pharmacy student, is incredibly honored and thrilled to have been selected to participate in the 2025 International Summer Program at the University of Illinois Chicago (UIC), USA.

This remarkable opportunity will allow Cheng to deepen their understanding of clinical pharmacy practice, enhance essential skills, and broaden their perspective through international exposure.

Cheng would also like to express heartfelt gratitude to the Faculty of Pharmacy for their continued support, guidance, and encouragement.

They are proud to represent their university at such a prestigious program and look forward to returning with meaningful experiences to share with others



2ND INTERNAL QUALITY ASSURANCE WORKSHOP ON: "USING TEACHING ASSESSMENT FRAMEWORK AND TOOLS FOR MEASURING TEACHING QUALITY" AT THE UNIVERSITY OF PUTHISASTRA



On March 28th, 2025, the Internal Quality Assurance Unit of the University of Puthisastra hosted the second workshop on "Using Teaching Assessment Framework and Tools for Measuring Teaching Quality". The workshop, opened by Ms. Rien Sarithyda, Director of Engagement and Partnership, and closed by Prof. Ian Rouse, the President and Vice-Chancellor, aimed to enhance teaching quality through various teaching assessments.

To ensure ongoing improvement in teaching and learning, this workshop covered a range of key topics including the UP's Teaching Assessment Framework and Tools, the Practice of Using the Self-Assessment Tool to Measure Teaching Quality, and the Reflection on Teaching Self-Assessment for Identifying the Needs of Teachers' Professional Development. Notably, there had been an active engagement among participants and trainers (IQA team).

AN ENGLISH LECTURER HOSTS WORKSHOP ON DIGITAL TEACHING TOOLS



Mr. Ly Seyha, an English lecturer from the Faculty of Arts, Humanities and Languages, recently conducted a training workshop titled "A Digital Tool for an Engaging Learning Experience." The workshop introduced Classroomscreen, an interactive digital tool designed to help teachers manage their classroom more effectively.

During the session, participants explored key features of Classroomscreen that enhance interactivity and organization in teaching. The workshop aimed to provide participants with hands-on experience using this user-friendly tool while building their confidence in integrating digital technology into daily teaching practices.

By the end of the workshop, attendees gained valuable experience in how digital tools can improve classroom management, boost student engagement, and streamline lesson delivery.

APPLICATION OPENS FOR REGISTRATION IN THE ASSOCIATES

DEGREE OF MEDICAL LABORATORY TECHNOLOGY FOR THE ACADEMIC YEARS (2024-2025) AT UNIVERSITY OF PUTHISASTRA



Did you fail the national exam for the Bachelor's Degree?
 For those who failed the national entrance exam for the Medical Bachelor's Degree, you still have the opportunity to take the national entrance exam for the Associate Degree in Medical Laboratory Technology (ADL) Program at the University of Puthisastra.

- Application available for registration open from now until March 27th, 2025
- Total number of accepted students: 100 students.
- Register now with the scholarship opportunities up to 50% for 3-years full study to all the success candidates via:
<https://www.puthisastra.edu.kh/scholarship-application-form/>
- Register in the Ministry of Health's website and choose University of Puthisastra as your first option via:
<https://medical-exam.poscar.cloud/>

• For more information about the ADL program: Please contact us via telegram group "ADL Information UP":
https://t.me/+LZSd4jG_kdo2YTk1

THREE OUTSTANDING STUDENTS FROM THE 12TH BATCH OF THE ASSOCIATE DEGREE IN MEDICAL LABORATORY TECHNOLOGY FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2023-2024



Congratulations to the three outstanding students of the Associate Degree in Medical Laboratory Technology, second year of the academic year 2023-2024 of the Faculty of Health Sciences and Biotechnology, University of Puthisastra, are:

1. KANG Sophanyrachana
2. CHORK Sodarany
3. RITH Sorakphea

Who have worked hard in their studies and received the opportunity to be the best student award in the academic year 2023-2024.

The staff and management team of the Faculty of Health Sciences and Biotechnology would like to express our joy and congratulate you on the results of your efforts.

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WHITE COAT CEREMONY FOR PHARMACY STUDENTS, FOUNDATION YEAR 2025



On Saturday, March 29, 2025, the Faculty of Pharmacy at the University of Puthisastra organized a White Coat Ceremony for foundation year pharmacy students, Batch 14. The event was chaired by Professor Ian Rose, President and Vice-Chancellor of the University of Puthisastra, along with Professor Chea Sin, Vice-President of the University, Assistant Professor Chhea Sophearom, Dean of the Faculty of Pharmacy, honored guests, faculty staff, and 150 pharmacy students. The ceremony was designed to remind students, who are beginning their laboratory and clinical practice during their upcoming internships, of the importance of ethics, discipline, and compassion in dealing with patients and other healthcare professionals. These qualities are essential for ensuring the well-being of the population.

The white coat is a symbol of:

- Professional responsibility
- Compassionate care for patients
- Authority and expertise
- Purity
- A commitment to science

This white coat represents the pharmacist profession.

For the 2024-2025 academic year, the Faculty of Pharmacy will implement the Ministry of Health's new Bachelor of Pharmacy curriculum. The foundation year curriculum will include lectures (39.57%), group discussions (27.70%), laboratory practice (29.68%), community internships (3.03%), and self-directed learning.

THREE OUTSTANDING STUDENTS FROM THE 11TH BATCH OF THE ASSOCIATE DEGREE IN MEDICAL LABORATORY TECHNOLOGY FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2023-2024

Congratulations to the three outstanding students of the Associate Degree in Medical Laboratory Technology, third year of the academic year 2023-2024 of the Faculty of Health Sciences and Biotechnology, University of Puthisastra, are:

1. PHALLY Sreynuth
2. NUCH Lyna
3. MENG Sreymeas

Who have worked hard in their studies and received the opportunity to be the best student award in the academic year 2023-2024.

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CLERKSHIP ACTIVITIES OF ADL-YEAR3 STUDENTS



Activities of Medical Laboratory Technology' students' year 3 batch 12 of the Department of Laboratory Science of University of Puthisastra. They are doing clerkship in the Medical Laboratory of Kuntheak Bopha Hospital Phnom Penh, Cambodia-China Friendship Preah Kossamak Hospital and Cho Ray Phnom Penh Hospital the clerkship been doing for one month which started from March 17, 2025 to April 11, 2025 with the topics:

- Biochemistry
- Parasitology
- Immunological-Serological.

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WORKSHOP ON EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION IN TEAMWORK



A faculty member from the Faculty of Science and Technology recently took part in the ongoing Young Leadership Program, specifically attending the Workshop on Effective Communication in Teamwork. This session aimed to equip participants with essential communication strategies to enhance collaboration, decision-making, and team dynamics in professional and leadership settings. By participating in this program, the ICT faculty member gained valuable insights into strengthening communication skills, which can be applied in academic and organizational settings to promote teamwork and leadership effectiveness.

A MEETING BETWEEN FACULTY OF ICT AND SQA EXPLORES COLLABORATION OPPORTUNITIES

The Faculty of ICT recently held a fruitful meeting with the Scottish Qualifications Authority (SQA) to explore potential collaboration in academic and professional development.

The Scottish Qualifications Authority (SQA) is a well-established awarding body in many countries around the world.

They provide a wide range of high quality, internationally recognised qualifications to help students progress in their education or career.

The discussion focused on exploring the opportunity of collaboration and providing internationally recognized certifications for students. During the meeting, representatives from both institutions shared insights on strengthening academic standards.

This engagement marks a significant step toward expanding the Faculty of ICT's international partnerships and reaffirming its commitment to providing world-class education in the field of information and communication technology.



INSIGHTFUL MEETING WITH STUDENTS FROM PASSERELLES NUMÉRIQUES CAMBODIA (PNC)



The Faculty of ICT recently held an insightful meeting with students from Passerelles numériques Cambodia (PNC) to provide updates on faculty initiatives and gather student feedback for continuous improvement. During the session, faculty shared the latest developments in academic programs, extracurricular opportunities, and upcoming events. Students actively participated in the dialogue, raising concerns, sharing their perspectives, and suggesting improvements. Their valuable input will help the faculty refine its strategies to better support student needs.

This engagement reflects the faculty's commitment to fostering open communication and ensuring an inclusive, student-centered approach to education. And we hope to welcome them to the University of Puthisastra soon.

PRODUCTIVE MEETING WITH SUNRISE INSTITUTE TO EXPLORE POTENTIAL COLLABORATIONS



The faculty of science and technology recently held a productive meeting with representatives from Sunrise Institute to explore potential collaborations in academics. The discussion focused on fostering partnerships that would benefit both institutions in areas such as collaborative workshops, marketing activities, visit tours etc. The meeting concluded on a positive note, with both sides agreeing to further discussions and concrete steps toward formalizing the collaboration. This initiative aligns with the Faculty of ICT's commitment to expanding its network of academic and industry partners to provide students with enhanced learning and career development opportunities.

AI AND GOOGLE TOOLS IN EDUCATION TRAINING PROGRAM



A faculty member from the faculty of science and technology at the University of Puthisastra participated in the AI and Google Tools in Education training program organized by Dynamic Minds Group. The training, designed for educators and professionals, aimed to enhance digital literacy and pedagogical strategies by leveraging artificial intelligence and Google's suite of educational tools.

During the session, participants explored AI-driven applications that facilitate personalized learning, automate administrative tasks, and optimize classroom engagement. The training also covered advanced features of Google Workspace for Education. By joining this initiative, the faculty of science and technology member gained valuable insights into integrating AI technologies into academic settings, aligning with the faculty's commitment to innovation in education. This participation also fosters knowledge-sharing opportunities within the university, empowering students and educators to embrace digital transformation in learning environments.

The Faculty of science and technology continues to engage in professional development programs that equip educators with cutting-edge technological skills, ensuring that students receive an education that prepares them for the digital age.

THE FIRST SERIES OF DISSEMINATION AND INPUT GATHERING SEMINAR ON “PREPARING A NATIONAL STRATEGY ON ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE”



The Dean of the Faculty of Science and Technology actively participated in the AI Dissemination Seminar 1 & 2, The first series of dissemination and input gathering seminar on “Preparing a National Strategy on Artificial Intelligence” under the theme “Progress in Preparing a National Strategy on Artificial Intelligence” In order to disseminate awareness and gather additional input on the draft “National Strategy on Artificial Intelligence” of the MPTC. The Seminar was attended by approximately 150 participants from ministries, institutions, educational and research institutions, development partners, community experts, technicians, and relevant actors in the public and private sectors, at the Ministry of Posts and Telecommunications. The workshop included presentations from the AI expert working group on key topics including: (1) Background and progress of artificial intelligence work in Cambodia (2) Regional AI policy documents; (3) Results of the AI ethics readiness assessment in Cambodia; and (4) Overview and key points of the AI strategy. The engagement of the Faculty of Science and Technology in this significant seminar underscores its commitment to advancing AI awareness and development in Cambodia. The discussions and inputs gathered during these sessions will contribute to shaping a comprehensive and effective national AI strategy, ensuring that Cambodia remains at the forefront of technological innovation and ethical AI deployment.

WELCOMING UP’S SCIENCE RESEARCH YEAR 1, BATCH 5, ACADEMIC YEAR 2024-2025



On 27 March 2025, the Science Research Department, in collaboration with the Foundation Year Department, of the University of Puthisastra (UP) hosted a welcoming event for the fifth batch of first-year Science Research students.

The event featured a presentation by Mr. Be Sokkeang, Science Research Program Manager, who provided comprehensive details about the science research curriculum, internship, and clerkship opportunities—both domestic and international—as well as other activities offered by the department.

Additionally, students from the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th batches shared their experiences, including insights about the Science Research Study Club. A highlight of the day was the opportunity for first-year students to tour the laboratory and explore key facilities on UP’s campus.

FACULTY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY WELCOMES YEAR 1 STUDENTS TO THE IT FAMILY AT THE UNIVERSITY OF PUTHISAstra



The Faculty of Science and Technology at the University of Puthisastra (UP) warmly welcomed Year 1 students majoring in IT to the IT family, marking the beginning of academic journey in the dynamic world of technology. The orientation session, aimed to introduce new students to the faculty, curriculum, and resources available to support their success. The session included an introduction, extracurricular activities, and support services available at the university, ensuring that students feel well-integrated into the learning environment.

The faculty encouraged active participation in these activities to enhance both technical and soft skills essential for their future careers. The faculty extends its best wishes to the new students and looks forward to nurturing the next generation of IT professionals at the University of Puthisastra.

UP WELCOMES BACK DEPUTY DEAN KONG KALYAN



Two years ago, Dr. Kong Kalyan (DDS, PhD), Assistant Dean at the Faculty of Dentistry, was given leave to join the Ministry of Health group working on developing the new BSc and DDS dental curricula. Her expertise was highly valued, and she was able to make a huge contribution over the past two years. Dr. Kalyan worked closely with a small group of local dentists, as well as an international consultant from Thailand, Prof. Krassanai Wangrangsimakul, to complete the development of the new curricula, with many consultations and stakeholders along the way.

Now that this work has mostly been completed, Dr. Kalyan is returning to UP to take up the position of Deputy Dean for Postgraduate Affairs in the Faculty of Dentistry. We are very happy to have Dr. Kalyan return and wish her well in her new position.

UP DENTISTRY GRADUATE WINS SCHOLARSHIP TO STUDY PEDIATRIC DENTISTRY AT KHON KAEN UNIVERSITY



Dr Im Puthisa, a graduate of UP Faculty of Dentistry, has been awarded a scholarship by Khon Kaen University (KKU) to study for a Master's in Pediatric Dentistry. Dr Puthisa currently works part-time at UP, as a clinical tutor and also in our community dentistry program under CIPO. For several years Dr Puthisa has shown a strong commitment to working with children, especially those with special needs. He has been increasing his experience in this area and as a student, he was the leader of the UP-student group helping children with special needs at the Borei Center and Rabbit school. He has also been an assistant for Dr. Chantho and Dr. Magnus for several years when they have provided treatment for children and special needs patients under general anesthesia.

When Dr. Puthisa graduates from KKU, he will become Cambodia's third specialist in pediatric dentistry, alongside Dr Yos Chantho and Dr Chhe Phearom, who are also lecturers at UP. Dr Puthisa will be a great help to UP in the future, and to Cambodia more generally. In his own words - "I believe in the power of unity, education, and sharing, which is how we can bring the benefits of dentistry to more and more Cambodians". We congratulate him on his scholarship and wish him every success in his studies.

UP'S PROFESSOR PUBLISHED HIS 300TH PUBLICATION IN THE LANCET

Congratulations to Prof. Kehinde Kanmodi! On 18 March 2025, Prof. Kanmodi, who currently serves as an adjunct professor and director of international engagement at UP's Faculty of Dentistry, published his 300th publication in *The Lancet*. *The Lancet*, founded in England in the year 1823, is a peer-reviewed journal that publishes peer-reviewed medical and health articles on a weekly basis.

The title of Prof. Kanmodi's article is "Global, Regional, and National Burden of Household Air Pollution, 1990–2021: A Systematic Analysis for the Global Burden of Disease Study 2021" and his co-authors are spread across all the world continents, including Dr. Afeez A. Salami (who is an adjunct assistant professor at UP's Faculty of Dentistry). In the article, it was reported that about 2.67 billion people, globally, were exposed to household air pollution in the year 2021 alone. Also, South Asia and Sub-Saharan Africa were found to be the world super regions having the highest burden of household air pollution. The paper concluded that household air pollution, which is mainly caused by solid cooking fuels (e.g. firewood, charcoal, coal, dung, and crop residues), remains a major risk factor to global health and well-being due to the serious health-related effects it causes to those who are exposed to it.



For further reading, this is the link to accessing the article:

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S014067362402840X/pdf?md5=27228dbbf1636dfd6013a9159ab3be4d&pid=1-s2.0-S014067362402840X-main.pdf>

Once again, this achievement is laudable, and we wish Prof. Kanmodi more discoveries in his global health research endeavors.

UP'S LECTURER BECOMES PRESIDENT OF THE CAMBODIAN DENTAL ASSOCIATION



Dr. Tak Ranuch is Head of Periodontics and Implantology in the Faculty of Dentistry at UP. At the recent Cambodian Dental Association Conference, he was elected President for a two-year term. This is a high honor, and Dr Ranuch will have a very busy schedule for the next two years. He will be invited to represent Cambodia at many international conferences and meetings and to lead the Association in fulfilling its mission here. Recently, he took responsibility for the publication of the Cambodian Dental Journal, which featured a lot of research by students of UP.

Dr. Ranuch is one of our most popular lecturers and clinical tutors and has also been involved in teaching postgraduate courses for dentists at UP. We warmly congratulate Dr. Ranuch on his success and wish him well during his term as President of the Cambodian Dental Association.

DR. MASAHIRO IWATA VISITS THE FACULTY OF DENTISTRY AT THE UNIVERSITY OF PUTHISAISTRA (UP)



During his visit to us, the Faculty of Dentistry at the University of Puthisastra was honored to welcome Dr. Masahiro Iwata, a distinguished oral and maxillofacial surgeon from Japan. For over 25 years, Dr. Iwata has provided surgical treatment for special needs patients in Cambodia, making more than 100 visits to offer his expertise and care. During his recent visit to Cambodia, Dr. Iwata was warmly received by Dean of Dentistry Prof. Anand Marya and given a tour of our teaching facilities.

Later, he was felicitated by UP President and Vice-Chancellor Prof. Ian Rouse, who presented him with souvenirs as a token of appreciation for his long-standing contributions to the university and Cambodia's healthcare sector. In addition, Dr. Iwata completed his Doctor of Dental Medicine (DMD) degree from Okayama University, Japan, in 1986, followed by a Ph.D. from the same institution in 1997. In 1990, he was appointed as an Assistant Professor in the Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery at Okayama University. Currently, he serves as an Assistant Professor in the Division of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, Department of Reconstructive Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery at Iwate Medical University. Additionally, he is a Visiting Professor at Cebu Doctors' University in the Philippines and Matsumoto Dental University in Japan.

The University of Puthisastra expresses its deep appreciation for Dr. Iwata's dedication and commitment to improving oral healthcare in Cambodia.

THE FACULTY OF DENTISTRY CELEBRATED WORLD ORAL HEALTH DAY 2025 AT UP HEALTH CENTER



On March 20, 2025, the University of Puthisastra successfully hosted an exciting booth activation event in celebration of World Oral Health Day (WOHD) 2025. Held in front of the UP Health Center, the event brought together students, faculty, and community members to highlight the crucial connection between oral health and overall well-being under this year's theme, "A Happy Mouth is... A Happy Body."

The event featured a variety of engaging and educational activities aimed at raising awareness about proper oral hygiene and its impact on general health. Attendees had the opportunity to learn from live demonstrations and expert-led discussions on effective oral care practices. In addition, the distribution of free toothbrushes and toothpaste (Dentiste) encouraged participants to maintain good oral hygiene in their daily lives.

One of the biggest highlights of the event was the interactive Spin the Wheel of Fortune activity, where enthusiastic participants win exciting prizes. The fun and educational setup ensured that everyone, from students to faculty members and visitors, left with valuable knowledge and a greater appreciation for oral health.

UP is proud to support such initiatives that contribute to the well-being of our community. The success of this year's WOHD celebration reflects our commitment to promoting health education and preventive care. We extend our gratitude to everyone who participated and helped make this event a success!

Let's continue spreading smiles and championing the importance of oral health for a healthier future!

ORTHO FEST 2.0: ADVANCING CLINICAL ORTHODONTICS FOR CAMBODIAN DENTISTS

The Faculty of Dentistry is proud to present OrthoFest 2.0, an exclusive orthodontics webinar series designed to elevate the clinical expertise of Cambodian dentists and dental students. This is organized by Prof. Anand Marya, Dean of Dentistry at UP, and brings together some of the world's most renowned orthodontists to share their expertise.

With a strong focus on clinical orthodontics, OrthoFest 2.0 aims to bridge the knowledge gap by providing participants with advanced insights, innovative techniques, and practical applications in orthodontic treatment. This series is set to feature distinguished speakers from across the globe, including:

- Dr. Hertz A. Alano (Philippines) – Associate Professor, Centro Escolar University
- Prof. Kleber Meireles (Brazil) – Orthodontic Specialist, University of São Paulo
- Prof. Jose A. Bosio (USA) – Orthodontics Division Chief, University of Maryland School of Dentistry
- Prof. Norma Ab Rahman (Malaysia) – University of Science, Malaysia
- Dr. Stefan Cardon (Brazil) – Leading Orthodontic Practitioner
- Dr. Diwakar Singh (Austria) – International Orthodontic Specialist

Each session will focus on cutting-edge orthodontic approaches, providing attendees with the latest advancements and evidence-based practices to enhance their treatment planning and patient care.

With OrthoFest 2.0, UP continues its mission of fostering high-quality dental education and professional development for Cambodia's dental community. For updates on topics, schedules, and how to participate in this exciting learning opportunity, contact Dr. Bhavna Nahata (+855 10 507 456) at bhahata@puthisastra.edu.kh!

OrthoFest 2.0
Webinar Series on
Advancing Clinical Orthodontics for Cambodian Dentists

 DR. HERTZ A. ALANO (Philippines) – Associate Professor, Centro Escolar University	 PROF. KLEBER MEIRELES (Brazil) – Orthodontic Specialist, University of São Paulo	 PROF. JOSE A. BOSIO (USA) – Orthodontics Division Chief, University of Maryland School of Dentistry
 PROF. NORMA AB RAHMAN (Malaysia) – University of Science, Malaysia	 DR. STEFAN CARDON (Brazil) – Leading Orthodontic Practitioner	 DR. DIWAKAR SINGH (Austria) – International Orthodontic Specialist

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WELCOME TO THE FACULTY OF DENTISTRY: ORIENTATION FY OF 2024-2025



The Faculty of Dentistry at the University of Puthisastra (UP) recently hosted its orientation for new FY students, marking the beginning of an exciting journey for new students in the academic year 2024-2025. The event was designed to introduce students to their educational curriculum of DD at UP, faculty, and the vibrant community they are now a part of the Dentistry. The orientation program began with an inspiring speech from the Dean of Dentistry, Professor Anand Marya, who welcomed the new students and emphasized the importance of dedication, perseverance, and professionalism in the field of dentistry. In addition, Assistant Professor Soeun Sopharith, Deputy Dean of Dentistry, Academic Affairs and Administration, Dental Undergraduate, provided an overview of the core subjects, dental laboratory (Dental Lab & SIM Lab), clinical sessions, and research opportunities that will shape their education.

On the other hand, Mr. San Techly (MSc.) as A Program Coordinator of Dental Undergraduate, had a presentation about introducing staff in the Faculty of Dentistry as a part of academic affairs, and introducing two new Deputy Deans of the Faculty of Dentistry to the students to know their responsibilities. Dr. EA Khemey, DDS, Dental Hospital Manager (UP), gave an introduction about UP's Dental Hospital Structure. The faculty members also attended to offer their support and share their experiences, creating a welcoming and encouraging atmosphere for the newcomers. Additionally, students were given a tour of the state-of-the-art facilities, including lecture halls, simulation labs, and the university's dental hospital, where they will gain hands-on experience in patient care.

The orientation event successfully set the stage for a rewarding academic journey, equipping students with the knowledge, confidence, and motivation to excel in their studies. As they embark on this exciting new chapter, the Faculty of Dentistry remains committed to providing them with the education, skills, and experiences necessary to become skilled and compassionate dental professionals in the future.

Welcome to the Faculty of Dentistry for Academic Year 2024-2025

UP TOPS AD SCIENTIFIC INDEX ANNUAL REPORT IN CAMBODIA

In the month of March, the new Scientific rankings report for Cambodia for 2024-25 was released by AD Scientific Index. The AD Scientific Index is a ranking system that assesses the scientific performance of scientists and institutions. The AD Scientific Index (Alper-Doger Scientific Index) is a ranking and analysis system, developed by Murat Alper and Cihan Döğ̈er, that evaluates the scientific performance and productivity of scientists and institutions using data from Google Scholar, focusing on metrics like h-index, i10-index, and citations. We are proud to share that UP was ranked number 1 in all the research categories in Cambodia. In the individual scientist rankings, we also have 3 researchers from the faculty of dentistry in the top 10 scientists in the country. Professor Anand Marya, the Dean of Dentistry, was featured among the top researchers in Cambodia along with 3 other international faculty members. The AD Scientific Index provides a comprehensive assessment of academic performance, going beyond simple rankings to offer detailed analyses and comparisons.

Cambodia	Country	City	H-index (2014)	i10 index (2014)	Citations (2014)	H-index (2024)	i10 index (2024)	Citations (2024)
1	UP	Pleasanton	81	41	41	81	41	41
2	UP	Phnom Penh	43	23	43	43	23	43
3	UP	Phnom Penh	27	13	27	27	13	27
4	UP	Phnom Penh	14	7	14	14	7	14
5	UP	Phnom Penh	8	4	8	8	4	8
6	UP	Phnom Penh	4	2	4	4	2	4
7	UP	Phnom Penh	2	1	2	2	1	2
8	UP	Phnom Penh	1	0	1	1	0	1
9	UP	Phnom Penh	1	0	1	1	0	1
10	UP	Phnom Penh	1	0	1	1	0	1

It primarily relies on data from Google Scholar, specifically h-index, i10-index, and citation counts, to assess scientific productivity. The index covers a wide range of scientists and institutions, including universities, research institutions, and companies, across various academic fields and countries. The AD Scientific Index aims to highlight academic excellence, promote equal opportunities in science, and foster global collaboration. It offers tools for in-depth analysis of scientific performance, including the ability to identify top scientists and institutions, analyze trends, and uncover potential issues like plagiarism or unethical practices. The index provides a comprehensive analysis of institutions, including their strengths and weaknesses, publication performance, and researcher productivity. AD Scientific Index publishes various top lists, including the world's top 2% scientists, regional top 10,000 lists, and country-specific rankings.

UP VISIT BY DISTINGUISHED PROFESSOR MAURICIO FROM LOMA LINDA UNIVERSITY



On Thursday UP was visited by Professor Mauricio Gonzalez Balut, international speaker, full-time faculty, and private practice orthodontist, known for his work in the field of orthodontics. Professor Mauricio has been working as a full-time professor and Head of the Orthodontic Private Clinic of The Loma Linda University Orthodontic Specialty Program. With years of experience in orthodontics, he has made significant contributions to the field. He has served as the past President of the Mexico City Association of Orthodontists and Dental Facial Orthopaedics, past Chairman of the Scientific Committee of the Mexican Association of Orthodontics, and past President of the Mexican Association of Orthodontics for the period 2016-2018. Dr. Mauricio is also the creator and developer of the 'Pro-Torque' bracket prescription, designed specifically for the Latin-American ethnic group and manufactured by American Orthodontics. It was a pleasure having him visit our clinic and explore our lab. We truly appreciate his time and look forward to welcoming him again in the future!

FACULTY OF MEDICINE WELCOMES YEAR-ONE MEDICAL STUDENTS FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2024-2025



On 27th March 2025, the Faculty of Medicine warmly welcomed the incoming foundation year students for the academic year 2024-2025. Held at Hall B, the orientation aimed to introduce students to their medical education journey and provide essential information for their success.

The event began with a welcome speech from the Dean, who encouraged students to embrace the challenges and opportunities ahead. This was followed by an introduction to the medical degree program, outlining the curriculum structure, key subjects, and progression pathways.

A session on how to learn medicine provided students with effective study strategies, including time management, critical thinking, and active learning techniques essential for medical education.

The Academic Affairs segment covered student support services to ensure a smooth academic experience.

Students were also introduced to simulation training and clinical rotation, highlighting hands-on learning experiences that will prepare them for real-world medical practice.

Lastly, an introduction to thesis and research familiarized students with research methodologies, the importance of evidence-based medicine, and how to begin their academic research journey.

As part of the event, a survey was conducted to understand students' motivations for pursuing medicine. The results showed that 57.6% of students chose medicine because they want to help others, reflecting their strong commitment to making a difference in people's lives

The orientation set a strong foundation for the new students, equipping them with the knowledge and confidence to begin their medical studies successfully.

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MEDICAL STUDENTS VOLUNTEERED WITH TYDA MISSION

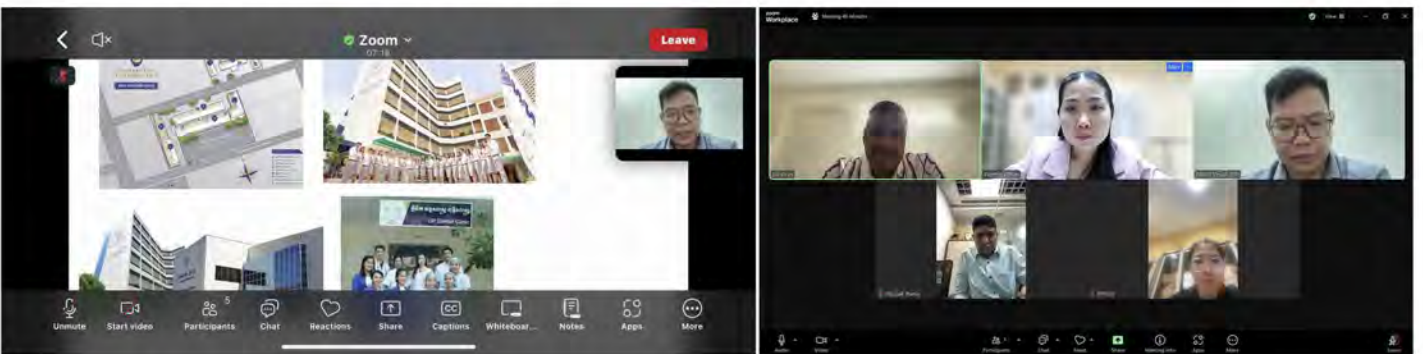


Four medical students volunteered with the TYDA mission to provide general health screenings and treatment to Cambodian residents in the outskirts of Phnom Penh.

During this one-day mission, the students assisted in taking vital signs and participated in medical consultations under the supervision of experienced doctors.

They expressed their gratitude for the opportunity to practice their medical skills while also contributing to the health and well-being of an underserved community.

ONLINE MEETING OF FACULTY OF MEDICINE AT UNIVERSITY OF PUTHISAstra AND KIMS HOSPITALS IN INDIA



On 26 March 2025, Faculty of Medicine at University of Puthisastra arranged an online meeting with KIMS Hospitals in India.

The Faculty of Medicine's goal is to offer students a diverse and enriching curriculum that enhances their academic and professional development. KIMS Hospitals, at its flagship hospital in Hyderabad, India would be a wonderful hospital for medical students to gain hands-on experience in a clinical setting, at a capacity of 1000 beds with multi-specialty tertiary care to almost 500,000 patients every year.

The aim of the meeting is to explore the possibility of partnership would be mutually beneficial and would provide our students with valuable learning opportunities.

We mainly discussed the potential to collaborate especially in areas such as medical education, clinical training and elective posting, and community health.

The meeting concluded successfully, achieving its objectives and fostering a positive connection, with the next plan of university visit in April.

FACULTY OF MEDICINE VISITING KHMER-SOVIET FRIENDSHIP HOSPITAL TO BOOSTER COOPERATION



The clinical affairs team from the Faculty of Medicine of University of Puthisastra had a meeting with technical bureau officers at Khmer Soviet Friendship Hospital on 24 March, 2025.

Khmer Soviet Friendship Hospital is one of the main public hospitals in Phnom Penh, Cambodia, where our MD students do the clerkship and internship.

The aims of the visit were to strengthen the relationship between the faculty of medicine and hospital, to discuss the workflow in arranging the clerkship and internship for the clinical rotation, to discuss the assessment after the clinical rotation and to ensure the quality of clinical training.

We would like to sincerely thank technical bureau officers at Khmer Soviet Friendship Hospital for their time and the insightful discussion we had.

SIMULATION CLUB MEMBERS TRAINING



Every year, students who are in year 5 and 6 are encouraged to apply to be members in a simulation club. Their roles are to assist in prehospital simulation training and prepare to be a future clinical instructor.

On 24 March 2025, The Faculty of Medicine of University of Puthisastra prepared the training for new simulation club members.

The topic of training included important methods of teaching such as the ESDC (E= environment, S= set, D=dialogue, C=closing) approaches and prebrief. Each member also had a chance to practice prebrief technique and skill teaching one by one. Those techniques are very useful in providing effective and interactive lectures, workshops, case scenarios, and skill training.

We appreciate our year 5 and year 6 MD students who actively participated in the training and volunteer activities. We strongly hope that they will become the skillful clinical instructors in the near future.

ORIENTATION SESSION FOR PHARMACY FOUNDATION YEAR STUDENTS ORGANIZED BY THE FACULTY OF PHARMACY, UNIVERSITY OF PUTHISAstra



Phnom Penh: On Thursday, March 27, 2025, the Faculty of Pharmacy at the University of Puthisastra hosted an orientation session for Pharmacy Foundation Year students, chaired by Assistant Professor Chhea Sophearom, the Dean of the Faculty of Pharmacy. The session aimed to provide students with a comprehensive understanding of the faculty's policies, curricula, internships, laboratories, study clubs, research, and overall vision.

In his opening speech, the Dean congratulated the 150 pharmacy students who successfully passed the national entrance exam and offered valuable advice on the pharmaceutical careers they should begin preparing for. He highlighted that the 14th generation of students would be the first to experience the newly implemented curriculum focused on Competency-Based Education. The Dean encouraged the students to align their future professional journeys with the goals and structure of this innovative curriculum.

The session included presentations on the following topics:

1. The New Pharmacy Curriculum 2024
2. Domestic and International Internship Opportunities and Study Tours
3. An Introduction to the Faculty of Pharmacy Laboratories
4. Research and Innovation within the Faculty of Pharmacy
5. The Pharmacy Study Club
6. Student behavior in Academics.

Additionally, faculty staff guided the Pharmacy Foundation Year students on a personal tour of each laboratory, where they received hands-on guidance from laboratory assistants on their roles and procedures.

In conclusion, the Assistant Professor extended his heartfelt gratitude to the team responsible for organizing the orientation and for warmly welcoming the new students. He wished both the staff and students the four blessings of longevity, success, happiness, and strength.

REGISTRATION AND WELCOMING CEREMONY FOR PHARMACY INTERNSHIP STUDENTS AT KHON KAEN UNIVERSITY



This morning, on March 26, 2025, a registration and welcoming ceremony was held at the Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Khon Kaen University to officially receive eight pharmacy students from the Faculty of Pharmacy, University of Puthisastra, Cambodia.

The event was honored by the presence of Associate Professor Dr. Yaowared Chulikhit, Associate Dean for Research, Innovation, and International Affairs, Khon Kaen University, who warmly welcomed the students and expressed appreciation for the long-standing collaboration between the two institutions.

Representing the University of Puthisastra, the Rotation Officer delivered remarks on behalf of the university's leadership, acknowledging the support of:

- Professor Ian Rouse, President of the University of Puthisastra
- Professor Chea Sin, Vice President for Academic Affairs
- Assistant Professor Chhea Sophearom, Dean of the Faculty of Pharmacy

During the ceremony, the students completed their registration and received guidance on their internship placements. Among the eight students, three will be rotating in Clinical Pharmacy, and five in Community Pharmacy. They were also introduced to their International Internship Logbooks, which will be used to track their learning progress and performance throughout the one-month program.

This international internship marks another milestone in the strong partnership between the University of Puthisastra and Khon Kaen University, a collaboration that has been ongoing for over a decade. Through this program, students gain invaluable hands-on experience and develop key competencies in pharmaceutical practice.

We wish all the students a successful and enriching internship journey!

4 BACHELOR OF PHARMACY STUDENTS BEGIN THEIR INTERNSHIP AT PHARMACIE DE LA GARE



On Monday, March 26, 2025, Miss Lim Thida and Miss Chang Sueng who are students enrolled in Bachelor of Pharmacy at Faculty of Pharmacy, University of Puthisastra, begin their internship at Pharmacie de la Gare. The internship is one-month program starting on March 26, 2025 and ending on April 26, 2025.

Faculty of Pharmacy, University of Pharmacy would like to express the gratitude for the good collaboration between University of Puthisastra and Pharmacie de la Gare. Additionally, we would like to wish the students a great internship with Pharmacie de la Gare.

VISIT TO THE FACULTY OF PHARMACY LABORATORIES BY FOUNDATION PHARMACY STUDENTS DURING THE BIG LAUNCH AND ORIENTATION PROGRAM 2025 AT THE UNIVERSITY OF PUTHISAstra



Phnom Penh – On Monday, March 24, 2025, as part of the Big Launch and Orientation Program 2025 at the University of Puthisastra, and with the permission of Assistant Prof. Chhea Sophearom, Dean of the Faculty of Pharmacy, the faculty staff organized a visit for Foundation Pharmacy students, warmly welcoming them to explore the J-01 and J-11 laboratories. The students were introduced to each laboratory and the staff members who directly manage them.

Notable details include:

1. Pharmaceutical Technology Laboratory (J-01), located on the ground floor of Building J, is focused on pharmaceutical production practices and the development of pharmaceutical formulations.
2. Pharmacognosy Laboratory (J-11), located on the first floor of Building J, is dedicated to plant science, allowing students to observe plant organs and cells under a microscope and study active ingredients derived from plants.

CALL FOR ABSTRACT SUBMISSIONS – 5TH PHARMACY RESEARCH CONFERENCE 2025



CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

Theme: *Innovating Pharmacy Sciences: Advancing Therapeutics, Technology, and Health Care.*

TOPICS OF INTEREST

- Pharmaceutical Technology and drug delivery
- Pharmaceutical Chemistry
- Pharmacology, Toxicology and Physiology
- Pharmacognosy
- Pharmaceutical Education & Practice
- Clinical Pharmacy and Personalized Medicine
- Social and Administrative Pharmacy
- Digital Health in Pharmacy Practices
- Medical Biology

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The Faculty of Pharmacy, University of Puthisastra, is excited to invite researchers, academics, and students to submit their abstracts for the 5th Pharmacy Research Conference 2025! This is a great opportunity to showcase your research as an oral presenter or poster presenter, engage with experts in the field, and contribute to the advancement of pharmaceutical sciences. Whether you are working on pharmaceutical sciences, clinical pharmacy, drug discovery, toxicology, or any related field, we welcome your participation.

Don't miss the chance to share your findings, exchange ideas, and expand your professional network. Submit your abstract now and be part of this dynamic research platform!

CONGRATULATIONS TO 8 PHARMACY STUDENTS FROM UNIVERSITY OF PUTHISAOSTRA SELECTED FOR THE RXSU INTERNATIONAL SUMMER SCHOOL AT THE FACULTY OF PHARMACY, SILPAKORN UNIVERSITY, THAILAND!



Eight outstanding Pharmacy students from the University of Puthisastra have been selected to participate in the RxSU International Summer School, which will be held from May 26 to 31, 2025, at the Faculty of Pharmacy, Silpakorn University, Thailand. This prestigious program offers students a unique opportunity to expand their pharmaceutical knowledge, gain hands-on experience, and engage with peers and professionals from around the world. It serves as a platform for cultural exchange, academic enrichment, and professional networking, fostering future leaders in the field of pharmacy.

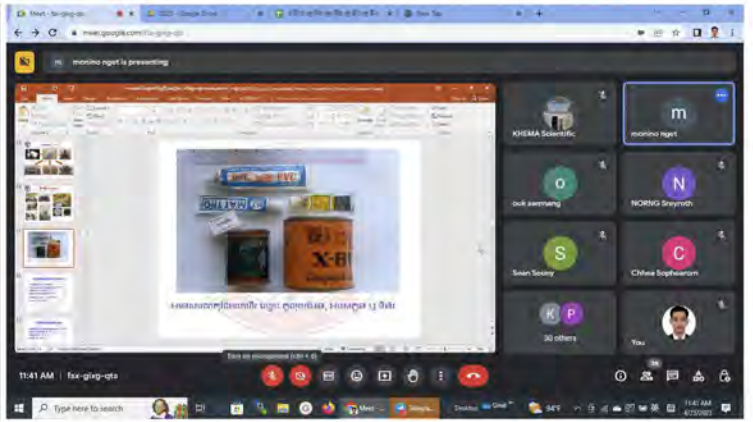
We extend our sincere appreciation to the Faculty of Pharmacy, Silpakorn University, for providing this invaluable learning experience and for strengthening academic collaboration between our institutions

CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT TRAINING COURSE FOR PHARMACISTS 2025 ONLINE "GENERAL UNDERSTANDING OF DRUGS"

Phnom Penh: Saturday, March 15, 2025, the Faculty of Pharmacy of Puthisastra University organized an online Continuing Professional Development Training Course for Cambodian pharmacists, with a total of 177 participants, under the theme "General Understanding of Drugs". The professional development training course was taught by Pharmacist. Nget Mounino. All participants will receive 5 points after completing the course.

Objectives of the training course:

1. Know the types of drugs
2. Some substances and materials in the production of drugs
3. Effects of drugs
4. Drug Prevention Participation



This training is important for government organizations, non-governmental organizations, and private companies to prioritize improving the safety and well-being of communities.

THE FACULTY OF PHARMACY STAFF HOSTED A PRE-INTERNSHIP TRAINING SESSION FOR STUDENTS SELECTED FOR INTERNSHIPS AT UCARE PHARMACY AND DE LA GARE PHARMACY.



Phnom Penh: Wednesday, March 12, 2025 – The Faculty of Pharmacy staff hosted a pre-internship training session for students selected for internships at U-Care Pharmacy and De La Gare Pharmacy. During the session, experienced faculty members, along with former students who had interned at these pharmacies, shared valuable insights and personal experiences, offering practical perspectives on the challenges and expectations of working in these settings.

- Mr. Lat Noraksatya, a 5th-year student, shared his experience, preparation, and the benefits of interning at De La Gare Pharmacy.
- Ms. Pheng Sovathey, also a 5th-year student, discussed her experience, preparation, and the benefits of interning at U-Care Pharmacy.

The Faculty of Pharmacy would like to express its sincere gratitude to the two former interns for taking the time to participate in the session and share their knowledge. Their contributions help guide and motivate the next generation of students to prepare thoroughly for their internships and achieve successful outcomes.

CONGRATULATIONS TO MS. TIV SANTINI ON BEING SELECTED TO ATTEND THE 8TH CONGRESS OF THE ASIA ASSOCIATION OF MEDICAL LABORATORY SCIENTISTS (AAMLS), IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE 16TH ASIA-PACIFIC FORUM OF MEDICAL LABORATORY SCIENCES ORGANIZED BY THE TAIWAN ASSOCIATION OF MEDICAL TECHNOLOGISTS (TAMT), AT THE TAIPEI NANGANG EXHIBITION CENTER, FROM APRIL 10TH-13TH, 2025."



Here is the expression from Ms. Tiv Santini: Hello, my name is Tiv Santini, and I am a 4th-year student from the Faculty of Pharmacy, University of Puthisastra. I am honored to be attending the 8th General Assembly of the Asian Association of Medical Laboratory Technologists (AAMLS) alongside the 16th Asia-Pacific Medical Laboratory Forum, organized by the Taiwan Association of Medical Laboratory Technologists (TAMT), at the Taipei Exhibition Center from April 10th-13th, 2025. I would like to extend my sincere gratitude to Assistant Professor Chhea Sophearom, Dean of the Faculty of Pharmacy, for providing this incredible opportunity for all students, including myself, to engage with international events.

I look forward to gaining valuable insights into new technologies and strategies, and I am eager to apply this knowledge and experience to contribute to the development of my country.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR PHARMACY STUDENTS WHO WERE SELECTED FOR THE SDGS & IPLN 2025 PROGRAM AT CHINA MEDICAL UNIVERSITY, TAIWAN



Phnom Penh, March 10, 2025 – The Faculty of Pharmacy, University of Puthisastra, after evaluating their English proficiency, academic knowledge, and motivation for study, it was decided to send the following two students to participate in the study and share culture in Taiwan in the Sustainable Development Goals Implementation Program and International Pharmaceutical Learning Network (SDGs & IPLN) 2025 of China Medical University (CMU).

The program aims to facilitate pharmacy students from different countries to appreciate and apply the issues of Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), including good health and wellbeing (SDG 3), quality education (SDG 4), reduce inequalities (SDG10), responsible consumption and production (SDG12), climate action (SDG13), and partnerships (SDG 17) for the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) through this Pharmaceutical Learning Network (PLN) education program. The Faculty of Pharmacy extends its sincere appreciation to China Medical University (CMU) for this valuable opportunity and looks forward to continued collaboration in the future.

PHARMACY STAFFS ATTEND THE WORKSHOP ON “DEVELOPING AND MANAGING LABORATORY DOCUMENTS COMPLYING WITH ISO 15189”



Phnom Penh: On Monday, March 10, 2025, four lecturers and staff members from the Faculty of Pharmacy participated in a workshop titled “Developing and Managing Laboratory Documents Complying with ISO 15189.” The event was held at the Bayon Hall of the National Institute of Public Health in Phnom Penh.

The workshop focused on several key objectives:

1. Understand document control system and role and responsibility of document control officer
2. Understand the document control system based on ISO15189 requirements
3. Write Standard Operating Procedure (SOP)
4. Apply document control system in their own lab
5. Manage documents and records properly

CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT TRAINING COURSE FOR CAMBODIAN PHARMACISTS VIA ZOOM 4 TOPICS = 20 POINTS



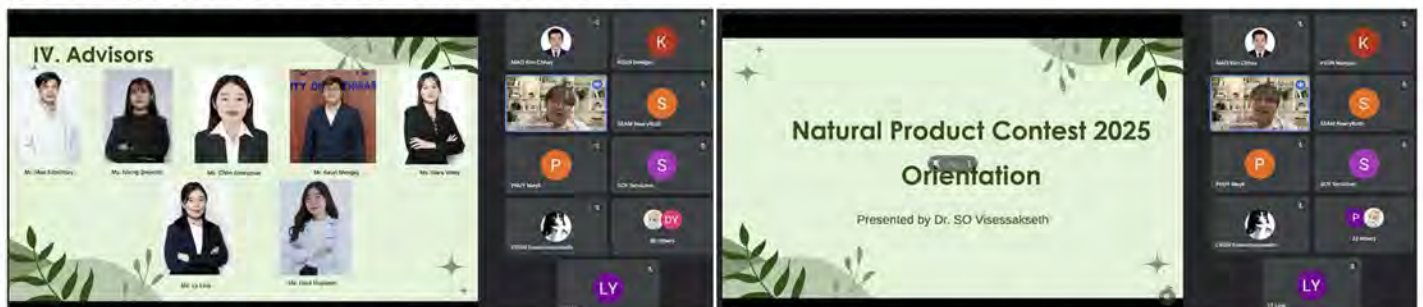
The Faculty of Pharmacy at the University of Puthisastra has received approval from the Cambodian Pharmacists Council to organize a Continuing Professional Development (CPD) course for Cambodian pharmacists.

Topics and Schedule:

1. "The Management Knowledge and Skills for Pharmacists" (5 points)
 - o Round 7 Session 3: Saturday, March 29, 2025
 - o Round 7 Session 4: Sunday, March 30, 2025
 - o Registration Deadline: March 25, 2025
2. "The Leadership Knowledge and Skills for Pharmacists" (5 points)
 - o Round 8 Session 3: Saturday, April 5, 2025
 - o Round 8 Session 4: Sunday, April 6, 2025
 - o Registration Deadline: March 29, 2025
3. "Cosmetics in the ASEAN Community" (5 points)
 - o Round 13 Session 3: Saturday, April 19, 2025
 - o Round 13 Session 4: Saturday, April 26, 2025
 - o Registration Deadline: March 30, 2025
4. "Knowledge, Skills, and Roles of Pharmacists in the Treatment of Anemia" (5 points)
 - o Round 9 Session 3: Sunday, May 4, 2025
 - o Round 9 Session 4: Sunday, May 11, 2025
 - o Registration Deadline: April 24, 2025

Do not miss this opportunity to enhance your professional development and earn CPD points! Register now and secure your spot in these valuable training sessions.

UNIVERSITY OF PUTHISAOSTRA HOSTS 4TH NATURAL PRODUCT CONTEST (NPC) 2025 ORIENTATION



On March 19, 2025, Dr. So Visessakseth, Head of the Pharmacognosy Laboratory at the Faculty of Pharmacy, University of Puthisastra, conducted the 4th Natural Product Contest (NPC) 2025 Orientation for students. The session provided an overview of the contest's objectives, proposal format, and evaluation criteria, equipping participants with essential insights for their submissions. Dr. Visessakseth also introduced potential advisors whom students could consult for guidance throughout the competition. To enhance students' understanding, he elaborated on the concept of natural products, highlighting their selection from plants and their development into health-promoting innovations—key knowledge for participants as they prepare for the contest.

MR. HEIM MENGKHM AWARDED GMS-KKU SCHOLARSHIP FOR MASTER'S DEGREE AT KHON KAEN UNIVERSITY



Congratulations to Mr. Heim Mengkhim, a dedicated full-time Lecturer at the Faculty of Pharmacy, University of Puthisastra, on receiving the prestigious GMS-KKU Scholarship for a Master's Degree at Khon Kaen University, Thailand.



This highly competitive scholarship, awarded to outstanding students from ASEAN and Greater Mekong Subregion (GMS) countries, will support his academic and professional development for the 2025 academic year.

Mr. Mengkhim's achievement highlights his dedication to advancing pharmaceutical education and research, further strengthening academic collaboration between the two institutions.

KKU INTERNATIONAL INTERNSHIP PROGRAM PRE-DEPARTURE MEETING



Today, on March 22, 2025, marks a proud and inspiring moment for the Faculty of Pharmacy at the University of Puthisastra as we held the Pre-Departure Meeting for our students who will be embarking on an international internship at Khon Kaen University (KKU), Thailand. This event was more than just a send-off—it was a celebration of hard work, ambition, and the spirit of academic growth.

The ceremony began with the National Anthem of Cambodia, followed by a warm welcome and insightful report delivered by Assistant Professor Chhea Sophearom, Dean of the Faculty of Pharmacy. We were honored by the presence and speeches of two of our respected leaders: Professor Chea Sin, Vice President in Charge of Academic Affairs, and Professor Ian Rouse, President and Vice-Chancellor of the University of Puthisastra. Their words of encouragement reminded our students of the purpose and potential of this opportunity—to learn, to grow, and to represent Cambodia with excellence and pride.

Our students also had the chance to share their voices. Miss Seng Darika, representing the 5th-year Bachelor of Pharmacy students, and Miss Kang Rotnorpeha, representing the 4th-year students, expressed their gratitude, hopes, and aspirations for this journey ahead. Their speeches reflected not only their excitement but also their deep commitment to using this experience to become better professionals and contributors to the healthcare system in Cambodia.

One of the most heartfelt moments of the meeting was the sponsorship handover ceremony, led by Prof. Ian Rouse. Each student received their official sponsorship as a symbol of the university's support and confidence in their abilities. The ceremony concluded with a joyful photo session—first at the E Meeting Room, and then at the Entrance Gate—to capture the memories of this milestone.

We would like to extend our warmest congratulations to our eight intern students: Seng Darika, Tang Mealadey, Ouk Heng Mealea, Khov Lalin, Lach Kimlang, Chhay Elay, Kang Rotnorpeha, and Chim Kimchou. You carry not just your dreams but also the hopes of your university, your teachers, and your country. May your time at KKU be filled with meaningful learning, valuable connections, and unforgettable experiences. Go forward with courage, curiosity, and compassion—we believe in you.

DISSEMINATION WORKSHOP ON THE ACHIEVEMENTS, CHALLENGES AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE STUDY TOUR, COMMUNITY WORK AND CHARITY PROJECT



On Thursday, March 13, 2025, under the chairmanship of Professor Chhea Sophearom, Dean of the Faculty of Pharmacy, Puthisastra University, the Faculty of Pharmacy, Puthisastra University, organized a dissemination workshop on the achievements, challenges and recommendations of the study tour, community work and charity project.

The program was attended by 137 professors, teachers, staff and students of the Faculty of Pharmacy, Puthisastra University. The main programs in the seminar were as follows:

1. Opening Remarks by Asst. Prof. Chhea Sophearom, Dean of Faculty of Pharmacy, University of Puthisastra
2. Presentation about the Achievements, Challenges, and Recommendations of Master of Medical Biology Students by Miss Huot Huysean
3. Presentation about the Achievements, Challenges, and Recommendations of Master of Pharmaceutical Sciences Students by Mrs. Ngor Seng Horn
4. Presentation about the Achievements, Challenges, and Recommendations of the 5th Year Bachelor of Pharmacy Students by Miss Yoy Sovotthey
5. Presentation about the Achievements, Challenges, and Recommendations of the 4th Year Bachelor of Pharmacy Students by Miss Sothy Sonika
6. Presentation about the Achievements, Challenges, and Recommendations of the 3rd Year Bachelor of Pharmacy Students by Miss Kim Sivhor
7. Presentation about the Achievements, Challenges, and Recommendations of the 2nd Year Bachelor of Pharmacy Students by Mr. Thun Pichoudom
8. Presentation about the Report of Program Evaluation by Miss Setthy Nika
9. Presentation about the Report of Finance Team by Miss Lim Chhaypor
10. Question and Answer Session
11. Closing Remarks by Asst. Prof. Chhea Sophearom, Dean of Faculty of Pharmacy, University of Puthisastra.

This workshop was facilitated by Miss Chamroeun Thidapich, a 2nd Year Bachelor of Pharmacy Students, and faculty members.

Faculty of Pharmacy would like to express our gratitude to our project sponsorship partners:

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Faculty of Pharmacy would also like to express our gratitude to our faculty members, students, and all generous individuals who have contributed both monetary and energy in making this study tour possible.

ORIENTATION FOR FOUNDATION YEAR PHARMACY LECTURERS



Phnom Penh, March 22, 2025 – The Faculty of Pharmacy at the University of Puthisastra successfully organized an orientation session for lecturers teaching the Foundation Year of the 2025 Bachelor of Pharmacy program. The event was presided over by Assistant Professor Chhea Sophearom, Dean of the Faculty of Pharmacy, and attended by faculty staff as well as representatives from the Human Resources Office, AIB, and the Information Technology Office.

The orientation was honored to feature Associate Professor Tam Sakirin, who delivered an insightful presentation on the Academic Integrity Policy. Additionally, Mrs. KEN Prohm vibosny, HR Manager, and Mr. YUN Yeatra, IT Coordinator, provided valuable presentations on human resource policies and IT support services, respectively.

The session aimed to align lecturers with the Faculty of Pharmacy's vision in preparing for the first semester of the 2025 academic year. Key topics covered included: Human resource policies, Assessment policies and standards, Academic integrity policies for both students and lecturers and UPERP systems.

The Faculty of Pharmacy extends its sincere gratitude to all lecturers, professors, and staff who dedicated their time to participate in this important orientation. Their commitment to academic excellence plays a crucial role in shaping the future of pharmacy education at the University of Puthisastra.

UPOP DIGITAL SYSTEM TRAINING COURSE FOR LECTURERS AT THE FACULTY OF PHARMACY, UNIVERSITY OF PUTHISAstra



Phnom Penh: On Friday, March 21, 2025, the Faculty of Pharmacy at the University of Puthisastra organized a training for pharmacy lecturer in the foundation year of the 2025. The event was chaired by Assistant Professor Chhea Sophearom, Dean of the Faculty of Pharmacy, along with faculty staff and members of the Digital Learning Office.

The training was designed to focus on the use of the UPOP digital system in teaching, the assessment, and invigilation responsibilities. Presentations during the training were made by Ms. Ung Huy Khim, Assistant Dean of the Faculty, Ms. Sorn Sokha and Mr. Roeun Manith, Coordinator of the Digital Learning System at Puthisastra University. Finally, the Faculty of Pharmacy would like to express its sincere gratitude to all lecturers, professors, and staff who dedicated their valuable time to participate in this training.

WELCOME JUNIOR PHARMACY STUDENTS: BUILDING CONNECTIONS AND SKILL DEVELOPMENT



On the morning of Friday, March 28, 2025, the Faculty of Pharmacy at the University of Puthisastra hosted the Welcome Junior Program, which focused on career guidance, networking, and skill development for foundation-year pharmacy students. The event was chaired by Assistant Professor Chea Sophearom, Dean of the Faculty of Pharmacy. The program featured presentations by second-year students, third-year students, and the Vice President of the University of Puthisastra's Student Senate.

The topics covered during the presentations were:

1. "How to Achieve Success During Foundation Year Studies" by Sun Sereyvathana and Eang Putheano, second-year students.
2. "Opportunities for Extracurricular Programs and Leadership" by San Mengsrin and Thoeun Rasophareach, third-year students.
3. "The Purpose and Importance of the Student Senate" by Loun Chanra, a fifth-year student and Vice President of the Student Senate.

STRENGTHENING COLLABORATION IN PHARMACY EDUCATION



On the morning of March 27, 2025, Ms. Tang Sovannaroath, Pharmacy Rotation Officer from the University of Puthisastra had the honor of participating in a productive meeting with the leadership of the Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Khon Kaen University.

The meeting was graciously led by Asst. Prof. Narin Chansri, Dean of the Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences, and joined by:

- Assoc. Prof. Dr. Supawadee Daodee, Vice Dean for Academic and Quality Assurance
- Assoc. Prof. Dr. Yaowared Chulikhit, Associate Dean for Research, Innovation, and International Affairs

During the meeting, both parties reflected on the strong and long-standing collaboration between the Faculty of Pharmacy, University of Puthisastra and Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Khon Kaen University.

Important discussions were held on how to further improve the international internship program and explore future collaborations, particularly in clinical training for pharmacy staff and preceptors at hospitals in Cambodia.

The meeting was truly fruitful, reaffirming both institutions' commitment to advancing pharmacy education and strengthening academic partnerships across borders.

FOUNDATION YEAR ORIENTATION FOR NURSING AND MIDWIFERY STUDENTS

On February 27th, the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery successfully conducted an orientation session for foundation-year students enrolled in the Nursing-Midwifery program. This essential event provided students with a comprehensive introduction to their academic journey, equipping them with a clear understanding of their curriculum and future pathways.

The session commenced with an inspiring opening speech by Mrs. Tun SreyPov, Dean of the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery, who emphasized the importance of dedication and excellence in the profession. Following this, Ms. Kem Sokunthea, Deputy Dean of the Nursing Department, provided an in-depth presentation on the curriculum structure of the Bachelor of Nursing (BSN) program. Additionally, Mrs. Sin Srey Rany, Program Coordinator, outlined the curriculum flow of the Bachelor of Midwifery (BSM) program, guiding students through their academic progression from the second year onward.

The orientation was both informative and engaging, offering students valuable insights into their educational journey while fostering confidence in navigating their studies. To enhance the experience, interactive activities were incorporated, and students received souvenirs, creating a welcoming atmosphere and instilling enthusiasm for the years ahead.



UP WELCOMES ITS NEW STUDENTS FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR OF 2024-2025

The University of Puthisastra (UP), the Department of Foundation Year (FY), has arranged two induction programs to welcome new students: (1) the Big Launch and (2) the Orientation Week. The purpose of these programs is to bring our new students on board and make them experience a good transition into university lives.

The Big Launch is scheduled on 24th of March 2025, from 7:30 until 16:00. The agenda includes:

1. National Anthem
2. Blessing Dance
3. Greetings from the President
4. Greetings from the Chairman of UP Board Trustees
5. Introduction to the Department of Foundation Year
6. Introduction to UP's Faculties and HoDs/Deans
7. Fashion show of UP's Uniforms
8. Campus Tour
9. Student Support Workshops
10. Lucky draw

Following the Big Launch is Orientation Week.

The Orientation Week is scheduled from 25th March through 28th March 2025.

There are a variety of activities:

1. Information on IT Services
2. Introduction to UPOP and Student Services
3. Preparation for University Life
4. Assessment Policies & Student Regulations
5. Overview of Foundation Year program & English
6. Introduction to Mentorship Program in FY
7. Health Check Services (Hepatitis B Screening & Vaccination)
8. Academic Honesty (Academic Integrity)
9. English Exemption Test
10. Fun games & team-building activities!
11. Map Drawing Challenge



The support day is aimed at helping students with any issues in schedules or registration, including providing a mini-orientation to students who registered late. We extend a warm welcome to our newest students, who are beginning their studies at the University of Puthisastra. We are ready to welcome new students for better quality education! If you need any assistance, please reach out to us or walk in to our office at E building (E05).