



# UP VOICE

The Official Newsletter of the University of Puthisastra (UP)



## KHMER NEW YEAR CELEBRATION WITH UP FAMILY!

On Friday, April 4th, 2025, the University of Puthisastra brought its vibrant community together to celebrate the Khmer New Year in style at Seven Bright King TK. The event was filled with joyful moments, from exciting games and a thrilling lucky draw to genuine laughter and heartfelt connections among the UP Family.

This annual tradition served as more than just a festive gathering, it was a celebration of unity and appreciation for the hard work and dedication of every member of the university community. A special highlight of the evening was the inspiring speech delivered by Prof. Chea Sin, Vice President of Academic Affairs, who took the opportunity to proudly reflect on the remarkable achievements the university has made so far.

His words served as a reminder of how far we've come and the bright future that lies ahead.

The night was a perfect blend of fun, culture, and camaraderie marking not only the beginning of a new year, but also reinforcing the strong spirit that makes UP truly special.

Here's to a successful and prosperous New Year ahead for everyone in the UP Family!

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# A JOYFUL CELEBRATION OF TRADITION AND TOGETHERNESS AT UP



On 3rd April 2025, the University of Puthisastra came alive with vibrant colors, laughter, and cultural pride as students, staff, and lecturers gathered to celebrate UP Culture Day 2025. The event was a heartwarming tribute to Khmer new year celebration, offering a blend of tradition and modern fun that brought the entire UP community together.

The day was filled with exciting activities including Khmer Traditional Games, Khmer Dancing, and the Lobokato performance, creating an atmosphere rich with cultural appreciation and joyful participation. As the sun set, the celebration transitioned into a lively EDM music party, adding an upbeat and modern twist to the event.

Whether dancing barefoot to traditional beats or raving under the neon lights, the UP family shared smiles, laughter, and unforgettable memories. UP Culture Day 2025 was more than just a celebration, it was a beautiful reminder of the power of unity, culture, and joy within the UP community.

## THE UNIVERSITY OF PUTHISAstra'S NURSING DEPARTMENT HOSTS INTERNATIONAL VISIT FROM KIO UNIVERSITY, JAPAN



On March 18th, 2025, the Nursing Department of the University of Puthisastra (UP) had the honor of hosting an international visit from Kio University, Japan. This event marked a significant milestone in fostering global academic collaboration and cross-cultural exchange in the field of nursing education. The visit provided an opportunity for students and faculty members from both institutions to engage in meaningful discussions, share experiences, and explore new perspectives on nursing education and healthcare systems.

The event commenced with a warm welcome and opening remarks delivered by Professor Ian Rouse, President and Vice-Chancellor of the University of Puthisastra. His speech highlighted the importance of international partnerships in strengthening nursing education and improving healthcare outcomes globally. He emphasized UP's commitment to excellence in nursing education and its continuous efforts to provide students with global learning experiences. Following his speech, Associate Professor Keiko Sakai from Kio University delivered a co-remark, expressing her gratitude for the warm hospitality and her enthusiasm for future collaborations between the two universities.

One of the key highlights of the visit was the interactive engagement between students from both universities. They participated in various activities designed to promote cross-cultural understanding and academic exchange. Students shared their experiences of studying nursing in their respective countries, comparing the similarities and differences in nursing education, clinical training, and healthcare systems. These discussions provided valuable insights into how cultural and systemic factors influence nursing practice and patient care.

The visit also featured an extensive campus tour, allowing guests from Kio University to explore the facilities at UP. The tour included a visit to the nursing lab, where students demonstrated clinical skills and showcased advanced simulation technologies used in training. The delegation also visited UP's Pharmacy and Dental Clinic, gaining an understanding of the university's interdisciplinary approach to healthcare education. These visits highlighted UP's commitment to providing high-quality, hands-on training for its students.



Beyond academic discussions and campus exploration, the event served as a platform for fostering friendships and professional networks. Students and faculty members exchanged ideas, cultural traditions, and aspirations for the future of nursing. The interaction was not only intellectually stimulating but also emotionally enriching, as participants formed connections that could lead to future collaborations and exchange programs.

The visit from Kio University underscored the importance of international partnerships in enhancing nursing education and strengthening the global healthcare workforce. It reinforced UP's vision of nurturing healthcare professionals who are equipped with the knowledge, skills, and cultural competence to serve diverse populations.

The Nursing Department of the University of Puthisastra looks forward to future collaborations with Kio University and other international institutions, continuing to provide its students with valuable opportunities for learning, cultural exchange, and professional growth.

## EQUIPPING BAEBE STUDENTS WITH INNOVATION AND CRITICAL THINKING



Innovation and Problem-Solving is a core course integrated into the Bachelor of Arts in English, Entrepreneurship, and Business (BAEBE) curriculum in the second year of study. This course is designed to equip students with critical thinking abilities, creativity, and an innovative mindset that can be applied in both real-life and business contexts. Through a combination of theoretical knowledge and practical application, students engage in various small projects, group discussions, and assessments that foster their creativity and problem-solving skills.

Additionally, students had the opportunity to gain valuable insights from a distinguished guest speaker—an independent entrepreneur—who shared her experiences and challenges in the business world. This interaction provided students with a deeper understanding of resilience, overcoming failure, achieving success, and developing essential soft skills necessary for adapting themselves in today's competitive world.

As a result of their dedication and active participation, students achieved meaningful learning outcomes and successfully applied their knowledge in practical scenarios. Furthermore, students expressed their appreciation for the BAEBE program, highlighting its comprehensive curriculum, which integrates both technical and soft skills, which are significant for future career paths and enable students to adapt to dynamic business environments and entrepreneurial journeys.

## FUN RUN - RAISING FUN TO SUPPORT KIDS WITH AUTISM



April 6th 2025, Student Services department had the joy of leading a group of enthusiastic students in a fun run to support children with autism. The event took place at Borey Peng Huoth (Beoung Snor).

It was more than just a fitness event—it was a meaningful experience that brought awareness, community spirit, and a whole lot of heart.



From the start, our students showed incredible energy and empathy. They came ready not just to run, but to stand for inclusion and support a cause bigger than themselves. They ran with purpose and cheered each other all the way to the finish line. They finished 2.2 km and 4.4 km.

This event reminded us that even simple steps taken together can create lasting impact. Together, we can make a difference!

## UNIVERSITY OF PUTHISAstra HONORS 142 STARS ON THE WALL OF FAME



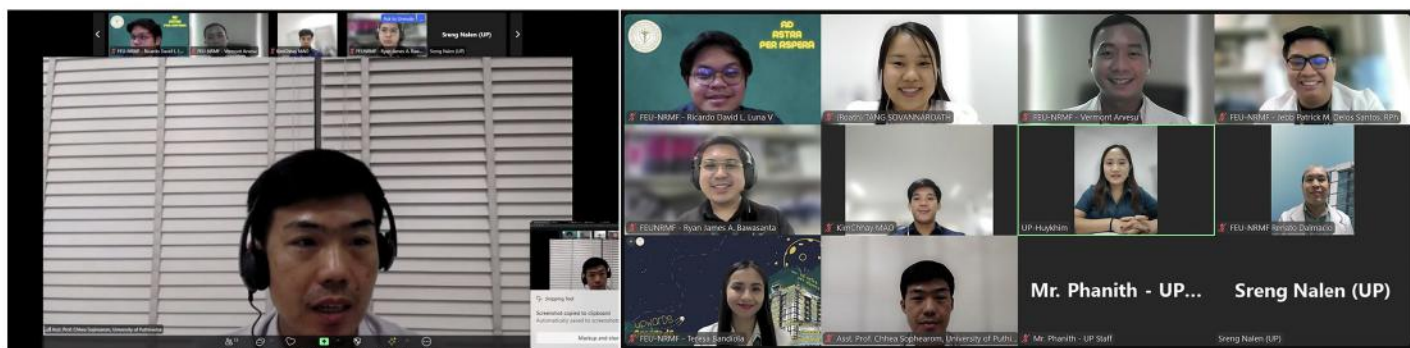
The University of Puthisastra (UP) has proudly introduced the reorganized “Wall of Fame” a special way to honor 142 outstanding students for their achievements and contributions.

These students come from many faculties, including Medicine, Dentistry, Pharmacy, Science and Technology, Nursing and Midwifery, and Health Sciences & Biotechnology. They have shown excellent performance in their studies, leadership in their communities, and a strong commitment to the UP spirit.

The Wall of Fame now stands as a reminder for all students: with hard work, passion, and a positive spirit, anything is possible. The 142 names on the wall are proof of that, and many more will follow.

"The Wall of Fame is full of ordinary students who did extraordinary things."

## STRENGTHENING INTERNATIONAL ACADEMIC TIES – UP X FEU-NRMF



On Friday, 4th April 2025, the Faculty of Pharmacy, University of Puthisastra (UP) successfully hosted an international online meeting with the School of Pharmacy, Far Eastern University – Dr. Nicanor Reyes Medical Foundation (FEU-NRMF), Philippines. This important discussion marked a significant step forward in strengthening academic ties and fostering future collaboration between the two institutions.

UP was represented by Asst. Prof. Chhea Sophearom, Dean of the Faculty of Pharmacy, along with Mrs. Ung Huykhim, RPh, Assistant Dean; Miss Sreng Nalen, RPh, Pharmacy Officer; Mr. Eang Phanith, RPh, CPD Officer; and Miss Tang Sovannaroath, RPh, Pharmacy Rotation Officer.



The delegation from FEU-NRMF included Mr. Vermont E. Arvesu, RPh, Acting Dean; Ms. Teresa Mae B. Bandiola, RPh, MSc, Internship Coordinator; Mr. Renato I. Dalmacio, RPh, MSc, Laboratory Coordinator; Mr. Jebb Patrick M. Delos Santos, RPh, Research Coordinator; Mr. Ryan James A. Bawasanta, RPh, Internationalization Coordinator; and Mr. Ricardo David L. Luna, RPh, Library Coordinator.

The meeting led by Asst. Prof. Chhea Sophearom and Mr. Vermont E. Arvesu, brought together faculty members from both universities to discuss potential areas of collaboration, including a Student Mobility Program (SMP) and joint academic activities. Through the SMP, FEU-NRMF pharmacy students may have the opportunity to visit the Kingdom of Cambodia for internship rotations and cultural exchange, accompanied by faculty members. Both sides also expressed keen interest in organizing joint webinars and lectures that explore and compare pharmacy practices in Cambodia and the Philippines.

The event featured three presentations. A presentation by Miss Tang Sovannaroath, RPh, Pharmacy Rotation Officer at UP, who shared insights into the university's international internship program. Additionally, the clerkship and rotation program of pharmacy students at FEU was presented by Ms. Teresa Mae B. Bandiola, RPh, MSc, Internship Coordinator. Finally, the international program at FEU was presented by Mr. Ryan James A. Bawasanta, RPh, Internationalization Coordinator. The presentations followed by engaging discussions on the logistics, academic value, and cultural impact of student exchanges. Another highlight of the meeting was a joint session on Comparative Pharmacy Practices, where participants exchanged perspectives on pharmacy education and professional roles in both countries.

Both institutions concluded the meeting with a shared commitment to nurturing a strong and impactful partnership. Action points were identified for follow-up, including the planning of upcoming activities and meetings to turn these exciting ideas into reality. The Faculty of Pharmacy at UP looks forward to continuing this collaboration to enrich the learning experiences of future pharmacists across borders.

## ANALYTICA VIETNAM 2025



Prof. Chea Sin, Vice President, Asst. Prof. Chhea Sophearom, Dean of the Faculty of Pharmacy, and Mr. Hem Chanvathanak, Laboratory Manager, University of Puthisastra, attended analytica Vietnam 2025 in Ho Chi Minh City on April 2, 2025.

Analytica Vietnam is the largest and only trade fair in Vietnam dedicated to analysis, laboratory technology, and biotechnology. It is the most significant industry gathering in the country, covering a comprehensive range of topics related to laboratory research and industrial applications.

The analytica conference serves as the scientific core of analytica Vietnam, where renowned experts present the latest international innovations. Attendees benefit from engaging discussions with leading scientists from around the world. Additionally, various tutorials and workshops provide practical training opportunities for participants.



## UP BRINGS THE ENERGY TO INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL OF PHNOM PENH (ISPP) AT THE CAMBODIAN & ASIAN UNIVERSITY FAIR



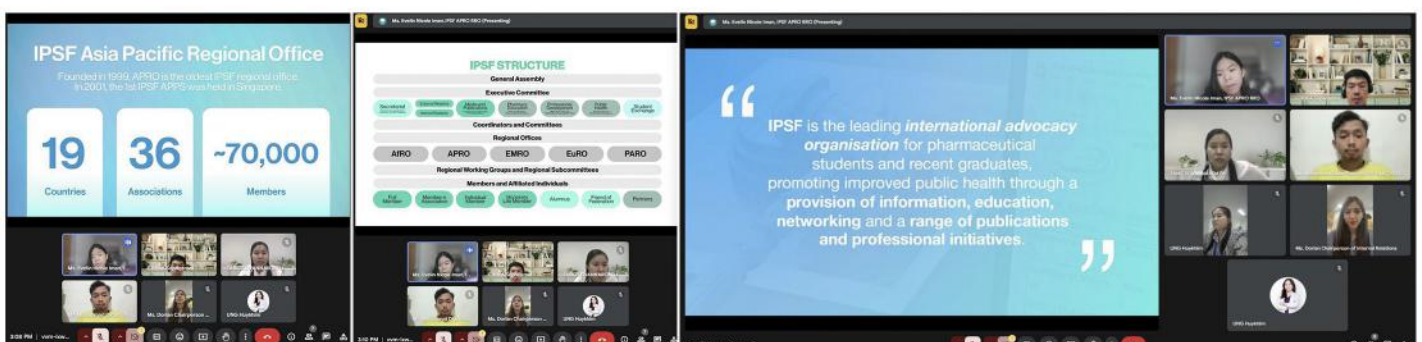
This afternoon, the University of Puthisastra (UP) activates the booth expo to Cambodian & Asian University Fair hosted at the ISPP campus.

High school students from across the city and ISPP students gathered to explore future pathways, and UP's booth quickly became a buzzing hub of activity, curiosity, and inspiration.

From engaging games to fun giveaways, students had the chance to interact with UP's dynamic team, discover our high-quality programs, and learn how UP helps students make a real impact in Cambodia and beyond. The highlight? Our interactive activities and friendly team, who were more than happy to answer questions, share student success stories, and offer insider advice on university life.

Stay curious, stay inspired and remember, the University of Puthisastra (UP) is always here to help you build your future.

## FACULTY OF PHARMACY, UNIVERSITY OF PUTHISAstra ARE ON THE CUSP OF GAINING A POWERFUL CONNECTION TO THE INTERNATIONAL PHARMACY COMMUNITY.



On April 07, 2025, A meeting is scheduled with representatives from the International Pharmaceutical Students' Federation (IPSF) to explore renew membership opportunities.

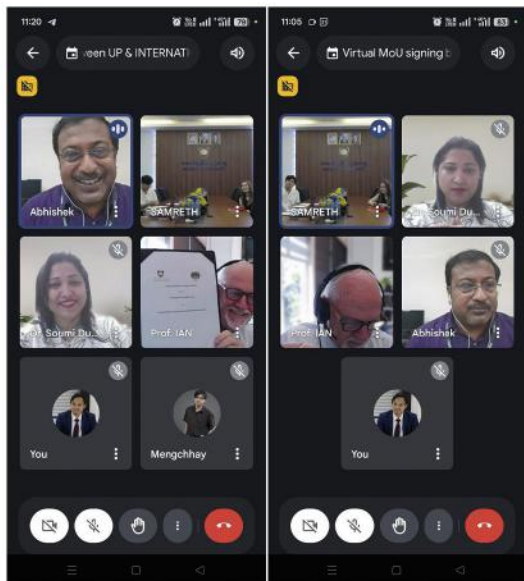
IPSF is the leading international organization for pharmacy students, representing over 350,000 individuals across more than 90 countries. Membership offers a wealth of benefits, including opportunities for:

- Networking: Connect with pharmacy students and professionals worldwide.
- Professional Development: Access workshops, webinars, and training programs.
- International Exchange: Explore exchange programs and broaden horizons.
- Advocacy: Engage in global health initiatives and advocate for the pharmacy profession.
- Resources: Access publications, competitions, and educational materials.

This meeting marks a significant step towards empowering our students with a global perspective and fostering their growth as future leaders in pharmacy. Stay tuned for updates on this exciting development!



## SIGNED MOU WITH INTERNATIONAL KNOWLEDGE RESEARCH FOUNDATION, INDIA



The University of Puthisastra (UP) proudly announces a significant milestone for its Faculty of Science and Technology, which has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the International Knowledge Research Foundation, India. This strategic partnership is set to enhance academic collaboration, research development, and international engagement in the fields of science and technology. The MoU aims to promote joint research activities, academic exchange, faculty and student development programs, and knowledge sharing between Cambodia and India. One of the first major collaborative initiatives under this new partnership will be the organization of the International Conference on Data Mining and Information Security (ICDMIS 2025). This prestigious event is scheduled to be hosted later this year and will bring together researchers, academics, industry professionals, and students from across the globe to discuss emerging trends, innovations, and best practices in the areas of data mining, cybersecurity, and information technology. The Faculty of Science and Technology at UP continues to position itself as a hub for innovation and collaboration, with a strong focus on quality education and

impactful research. The partnership with the International Knowledge Research Foundation is a testament to the university's ongoing efforts to strengthen its global networks and elevate Cambodia's presence in the international academic landscape.

## FOUNDATION YEAR PHARMACY STUDENTS JOIN FORCES IN PING PONG BALL CUP GAME



On March 26, 2025, Foundation Year Pharmacy students from the Faculty of Pharmacy participated in the exciting Ping Pong Ball Cup game. This team-building activity was designed not only to enhance collaboration and communication skills among students but also to provide an enjoyable break from the pressures of orientation week.

The main objective was to foster a sense of teamwork and friendly competition, helping students connect with each other in a relaxed and fun environment. As the students prepared for their academic challenges ahead, the event offered an opportunity to unwind, create lasting bonds, and embrace the spirit of teamwork that will be essential throughout their studies.

## PARTICIPATION OF THE FACULTY OF HEALTH SCIENCES AND BIOTECHNOLOGY'S STAFF IN THE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT EXHIBITION IN HO CHI MINH CITY, VIETNAM

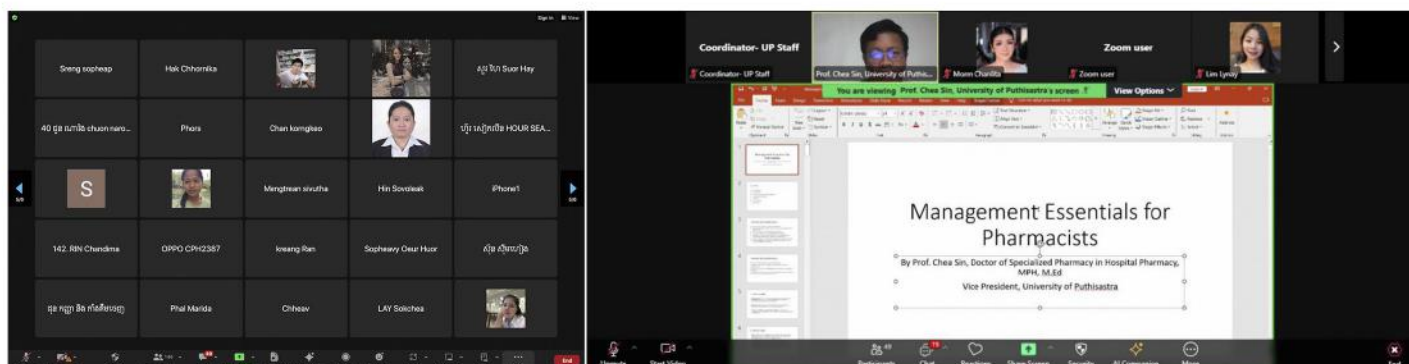
From 1st to 3rd of April, 2025, Mr. Hem Chanvatanak, a laboratory manager in the Faculty of Health Sciences and Biotechnology, has participated in the exhibition event of medical equipment in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam. This international exhibition has brought together leading companies, specialists and professionals in the field of medical technology and laboratory equipment. Our staff's participation reflects our faculty's ongoing commitment to stick with innovation and global collaboration in the medical laboratory profession.



For more information about the ADL program: Please contact us via telegram group "ADL Information UP"  
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## CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT TRAINING COURSE FOR CAMBODIAN PHARMACISTS



On Saturday, 29, and Sunday, March 30, 2025, the Faculty of Pharmacy of the University of Puthisastra organized an online Continuing Professional Development (CPD) training course for Cambodian pharmacists, approved by the Pharmacist Council of Cambodia. 184 participants joined over the two days, under the theme "Knowledge and Management Skills for Pharmacists". The course was taught by Professor Chea Sin, Vice-Presidents of the University of Puthisastra. All participants will receive 5 points after completing the course.

The objectives of this CPD training course are to provide pharmacists with knowledge on the following topics:

1. To have knowledge, skills, and good management attitudes.
2. To become a good manager to successfully lead an organization according to strategic plans.

This training course is essential for government organizations, non-governmental organizations, and private companies to enhance the safety and well-being of the community as a priority.

## DR. MAGNUS VISITS HOSPITALS IN TAIWAN AND THAILAND



Dr. Magnus, UP's Department of Dentistry, recently visited Hospital Dentistry programs at National Cheng Kung University Hospital in Tainan City, Taiwan, and at Thammasat University in Bangkok, Thailand.

The goal of these visits was to collect detailed information about how SNDP were managed and treated in these organizations. Dr. Magnus states that the purpose of this effort is to improve and standardize UP's treatment methods and protocols in the treatment of SNDP in its local clinics and area hospitals.

His activities included attending General Anesthesia dental procedures, observing the hospital's outpatient clinics that have been adapted specifically for the treatment of Special Needs Dental Patients (SNDP), and home dental visits to the homebound. He also attended and observed lectures and training of future SN Dentists. Dr. Magnus observed that in the two countries, there is strong integration between dentistry and medicine in training and in providing patient care in their dental colleges. This is quite different from what he observes in many countries in the world, including the USA. Finally, Dr. Magnus was invited to present a lecture about SNDP care under IV Sedation and General Anesthesia to fellow attendees at Thammasat University.

Dr. Magnus intends to visit other Universities in the months to come. Back home, UP will be able to start treating more SNDP soon, providing improved health for our patients and continued learning opportunities for UP Dental students.



## STAFF FROM THE FACULTY OF PHARMACY ATTEND THE BUILDING DIABETES CARE EXPERTISE IN CAMBODIA: IDF WORKSHOP FOR HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS.



Sokha Phnom Penh Hotel: Friday, April 4, 2025 Staff from the Faculty of Pharmacy, University of Puthisastra, attended the Building Diabetes Care Expertise in Cambodia IDF workshop for Healthcare Professionals. The event was chaired by H.E. Dr. Hok Kim Cheng, Director General of Health, Ministry of Health, Cambodia, and Asst. Prof. TOUCH KHUN, Vice-President of the Cambodian Diabetes Association and Chief of the Cambodia-Korea Diabetes Center, Preah Kossamak Hospital. The workshop is organized in partnership with the Cambodian Diabetes Association and will be attended by 250 doctors, pharmacists, and nurses.

The objectives of the seminar are:

- 1.Enhance Knowledge on Diabetes Care
- 2.Promote Collaboration and Networking
- 3.Strengthen Local Healthcare Capacities

The workshop will be conducted by renowned diabetes specialists from Cambodia and is endorsed by the Ministry of Health, Cambodia.

Five Pharmacy Students Participate in the UP-SW Friendship and Cultural Exchange Program

## WORLD HEALTH DAY 2025 – SOMA INITIATIVES: “MY HEALTH, MY RIGHT.”



Observed annually on April 7, World Health Day is a global event led by the World Health Organization (WHO) and its partners to raise awareness about important health issues. The first World Health Convention was held in 1948, marking the beginning of this annual tradition.

To mark this important occasion, Soma Initiatives proudly launched its Hygiene Project in Takeo Province, Cambodia—a vital effort aimed at building healthier communities through education, preventive care, and essential health services.

The project's official launch included the inauguration of the Clean, Healthy Community Project, the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding between Soma Initiative and the Takeo Provincial Department of Health, and a screening and treatment program for residents of Kompong village, Preah Bat Chan Chum commune, Kirivong district. The event was held under the leadership of Honourable Cham Krasna, CEO of SOMA Group and President of Soma Initiative, alongside Prof. Chea Sin, Vice-President (Academic Affairs), University of Puthisastra.

As part of this initiative, free medical and dental check-ups were provided to approximately 250 community members, including children. Our dedicated team offered essential dental treatment and basic treatments to support the community's well-being.

This project reflects our ongoing commitment to compassionate service and improved oral hygiene practices because access to health is a right for everyone.



## FIVE PHARMACY STUDENTS FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF PUTHISAstra WERE SELECTED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE UP-SW FRIENDSHIP AND CULTURAL EXCHANGE PROGRAM, HELD IN PHNOM PENH AND SIEM REAP, CAMBODIA.



This enriching program, which aims to promote cross-cultural collaboration between Cambodia and Japan, centered on the healthcare and education systems of both countries.

During their time in Cambodia, the students engaged in a variety of activities, including city tours, workshops, and lectures. One of the highlights was their opportunity to teach children about hygiene at local schools, fostering important educational exchange and community engagement. In Siem Reap, the students explored the rich cultural heritage of Cambodia, visiting iconic landmarks such as Angkor Wat and Bayon Temple, which offered them a deeper understanding of the country's history and traditions.

The program concluded with a farewell ceremony, marking the end of a memorable journey for the students before they returned to Japan and Phnom Penh, carrying with them valuable insights and lasting memories from the experience.

## MD STUDENT PARTICIPATED IN THE FIRST AID AWARENESS TRAINING WITH ST. JONH PHNOM PENH



A year-6 medical student, together with a team from St. John Phnom Penh, conducted a First Aid Awareness Training in Poipet City, Banteay Meanchey Province. The training was attended by over 40 teachers from three different schools, aiming to equip them with essential first-aid skills.

The program covered key topics such as sports injury management, bleeding control and bandaging, choking response, and cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR). Participants engaged in hands-on practice to enhance their ability to respond effectively to medical emergencies in both school and community settings.

This initiative significantly improved the preparedness and confidence of teachers in Poipet City in handling emergencies. Their enthusiasm underscored the importance of first-aid training in schools. St. John Phnom Penh remains committed to reaching more communities and promoting first-aid awareness to strengthen public health and safety.



## UNIVERSITY OF PUTHISAISTRA PROVIDES FREE HEALTH CHECK-UPS AND VACCINATIONS FOR PHARMACY STUDENTS



In a bid to ensure the well-being of its pharmacy students, the University of Puthisastra organized free pre-medical examinations for 145 pharmacy students at the UP Health Center. This initiative aims to safeguard both students and their future patients by addressing potential health risks and ensuring physical fitness for medical practice.

The pre-medical exams included screenings for infectious diseases and the administration of necessary vaccinations, which are essential for meeting professional standards in the healthcare field. Additionally, all foundation-year students were offered free health check-ups and the hepatitis B vaccine as part of the University's ongoing commitment to student health and preparedness for their careers in pharmacy.

By prioritizing the health and safety of its students, the University of Puthisastra continues to foster an environment where future healthcare professionals can thrive both academically and physically.

## FACULTY OF MEDICINE VISITING TECO SANTEPHEAP NATIONAL HOSPITAL



On April 3, 2025, Dr. Thim Pichthida, the Deputy Dean for Clinical Affairs, led a team of clinical staff and nine medical students on a visit to Techo Santepheap National Hospital. The visit included a meeting with officers from the Technical Bureau and a tour of the hospital.

Techo Santepheap National Hospital is one of the major public hospitals located on the outskirts of Phnom Penh, Cambodia. The objectives of the visit were to strengthen the collaboration between the Faculty of Medicine and the hospital, to discuss the workflow for arranging clerkships and internships for clinical rotations, to review the assessment process following clinical rotations, and to ensure the quality of clinical training. The team also aimed to gain insights into current medical procedures and technologies, and to explore the role of clinical preceptors and the evaluation methods used during clinical rotations.

Our students were highly engaged during the visit and expressed strong interest in pursuing internships at the hospital. We would like to express our sincere gratitude to the officers of the Technical Bureau at Techo Santepheap National Hospital for their time, effort, and excellent collaboration.



## FOUNDATION YEAR PHARMACY STUDENTS EXPLORE THE PHARMACOGNOSY LABORATORY AT PUTHISASTRA UNIVERSITY



On Thursday, March 27, 2025, Foundation Year Pharmacy students from Puthisastra University took part in an educational tour of the Pharmacognosy Laboratory (J11) within the Faculty of Pharmacy. During the visit, volunteer third-year students led an insightful introduction to the laboratory's objectives, which focus on the study of medicinal plants and their therapeutic potential.

The third-year students provided a detailed walkthrough of the key laboratory equipment used in practical classes and advanced research. The foundation-year students were particularly engaged by the natural product development projects and the poster presentations showcased by senior students. These research projects sparked great interest among the first-year students, who were excited about the future opportunities in pharmacognosy and related fields.

The tour not only gave the students a deeper understanding of the role of medicinal plants in pharmaceutical sciences but also inspired them to think about the diverse research avenues they may pursue during their studies.

## BACHELOR OF PHARMACY STUDENTS FROM THE FACULTY OF PHARMACY, UNIVERSITY OF PUTHISASTRA, WHO ARE CURRENTLY DOING INTERNSHIPS IN THAILAND, CELEBRATED THE KHMER NEW YEAR WITH THE CAMBODIAN STUDENTS ASSOCIATION OF KHON KAEN UNIVERSITY.



On Sunday, April 6, 2025, Bachelor of Pharmacy students from University of Puthisastra, who are currently doing internships at Khon Kaen University, Thailand, celebrated the Khmer New Year with the Cambodian Students Association of Khon Kaen University. Along with the celebration, the students also participated in organizing the event in the pre-event with national and international friends who were present at the event.

The Faculty of Pharmacy, University of Puthisastra, is pleased to acknowledge that the students were able to work with the group of Cambodian and international students studying at Khon Kaen University in organizing the event. The ability to work in a team is very important for all students in their academic year and after their graduation. The Faculty of Pharmacy, University of Puthisastra is grateful to the Cambodian Students Association of Khon Kaen University in inviting the students to participate in this meaningful cultural celebration. The Faculty of Pharmacy, University of Puthisastra wishes all students good luck and success in their internships in Thailand.



## CELEBRATING ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE: OUTSTANDING PHARMACY STUDENTS FROM YEAR 2 TO YEAR 5 (ACADEMIC YEAR 2023-2024)



We are delighted to recognize and congratulate the outstanding achievements of our pharmacy students from Year 2 to Year 5, who have earned the title of Outstanding Student for the academic year 2023–2025.

These exceptional individuals have consistently demonstrated excellence in their academic performance, active participation in university activities, strong leadership qualities, and a deep passion for the field of pharmacy.

Their dedication, perseverance, and commitment to learning set a shining example for their peers and reflect the core values of the University of Puthisastra.

List of Honorees:

- Year 2 Outstanding Student – SOY SOLIKA, SAO MARINA, SAN MENGROING, CHHAN PUTHEARA
- Year 3 Outstanding Student – SO VEACHA, OUM SOPECHLISHA, LY RATANA
- Year 4 Outstanding Student – SETTHY NIKI, SENG DARIKA, DUONG CHANLAKHENA
- Year 5 Outstanding Student – KITH UNGLILY, KEM SITHIKANIKI, RATNA SREYPOV

Your accomplishments serve as an inspiration to the entire student body and contribute to the advancement of the pharmacy profession in Cambodia. We are incredibly proud of your hard work and look forward to your continued success in both your academic journey and future professional endeavors.

Congratulations once again to all the awardees—keep striving, keep achieving!

## WE ARE PROUD TO ANNOUNCE AND WARMLY CONGRATULATE SIX EXCEPTIONAL PHARMACY STUDENTS WHO HAVE SUCCESSFULLY BEEN AWARDED SCHOLARSHIPS FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF PUTHISASTRA.



This remarkable achievement reflects their dedication, academic excellence, and unwavering commitment to the field of pharmacy.

These students have not only demonstrated outstanding performance in their studies but have also shown great potential to become future leaders in healthcare.

We wish them continued success in their academic journey and encourage them to keep striving for excellence, making meaningful contributions to the health and well-being of our communities.



## FACULTY OF PHARMACY JOINS SOMA INITIATIVE'S HEALTH OUTREACH MISSION IN TAKEO PROVINCE



On Monday, April 7, 2025, eight dedicated staff members and students from the Faculty of Pharmacy at the University of Puthisastra proudly participated in the SOMA INITIATIVE's health check-up and treatment mission, held in Kampong Village, Preah Bat Choan Chum Commune, Kiri Vong District, Takeo Province.

This impactful community outreach was conducted under the distinguished leadership of H.E. Cham Krasna, Chief Executive Officer of SOMA Group and President of the SOMA INITIATIVE.

The mission brought together a multidisciplinary team of healthcare professionals—including doctors, dentists, and pharmacists—to deliver high-quality medical services to local residents. Our pharmacy team played a vital role in ensuring the safe and effective dispensing of medications, strictly following the “5 Rights” of medication administration:

- 1.Right patient
- 2.Right medicine
- 3.Right dosage
- 4.Right route
- 5.Right time

The Faculty of Pharmacy remains committed to empowering students with real-world experience while actively contributing to community health and well-being. We are proud of our students and staff for their professionalism, compassion, and dedication to making a positive impact.

## DAY 1: A NEW BEGINNING FOR FOUNDATION YEAR PHARMACY STUDENTS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF PUTHISAstra



Welcome to Day 1 of your journey toward becoming a skilled, knowledgeable, and compassionate pharmacist! Today marks the start of your academic adventure as a Foundation Year student at the University of Puthisastra, where you will embark on a transformative educational experience designed to shape you into a future leader in the healthcare industry. As you step into the world of pharmacy education, it's essential to recognize that this is not just a traditional learning experience. The Faculty of Pharmacy, in alignment with the Ministry of Health's new Bachelor of Pharmacy curriculum, offers a dynamic blend of lectures, small group discussions, skill practice, community engagement, and self-directed learning. This innovative approach will help you develop not only technical expertise but also critical thinking, communication, and interpersonal skills.

Our new curriculum, in line with the Ministry of Health's guidelines, blends lectures, group discussions, skill practice, community clerkships, and self-directed learning to ensure a well-rounded education.

- Lectures (39.57%): You'll gain foundational knowledge in key pharmaceutical sciences.
- Small Group Discussions (27.70%): Engage in collaborative problem-solving and critical thinking.
- Skill Practice (29.68%): Hands-on sessions to develop practical pharmacy skills.
- Community Clerkship (3.03%): Start applying your learning in real-world pharmacy settings.
- Self-Directed Learning: Take charge of your education and explore topics of interest.



Your time at the University of Puthisastra will be challenging, but it will also be rewarding. The Foundation Year curriculum is carefully designed to provide you with the knowledge and skills you need to succeed, not only in the classroom but also in the clinical and community settings where you will eventually serve as a pharmacist. Your time here will challenge and reward you as you develop the skills to make a meaningful impact in healthcare. Remember to stay engaged, be curious, form connections, and balance your studies with self-care.

## THE 4TH “NATURAL PRODUCTS CONTEST 2025” FOR STUDENTS FROM ACROSS UNIVERSITIES IN CAMBODIA WHICH WILL TAKE PLACE ON AUGUST 22, 2025.

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**The 4th Natural Product Contest 2025**

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The Faculty of Pharmacy at the University of Puthisastra is pleased to invite students who have innovative ideas in developing new plant-based products to join the 4th “Natural Products Contest 2025” to promote sustainable and scientific research on natural products for benefit consumer health.

Students from all academic years and universities are encouraged to participate. Scan the QR code to register!  
<https://forms.gle/8uC97EsHmfKsQdWY6>

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## 4TH AND 5TH YEAR PHARMACY STUDENTS FROM PHARMACY SCHOOLS ACROSS CAMBODIA CAN PARTICIPATE IN THE 1ST UP CLINICAL PHARMACY CHALLENGE 2025

Join the 1st Clinical Pharmacy Skills Competition 2025 and compete with top students in Cambodia!

1. Registration

2. Preliminary Round:

- Participants must submit a case study for the initial selection process.

- The best-case studies will be selected for the final round.

3. Final Round:

- Presentation: Candidates present their case studies

- Case Study Assignment: A new case study is randomly assigned to candidates for immediate review and feedback Benefits

- Win exciting prizes and gain industry recognition

- Connect with experts and expand your network

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**1st UP Clinical Pharmacy Challenge 2025**

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## UP FACULTY OF PHARMACY, UP STUDENT SERVICE AND UYFC-UP CELEBRATE KHMER NEW YEAR AT PUTHISAstra UNIVERSITY



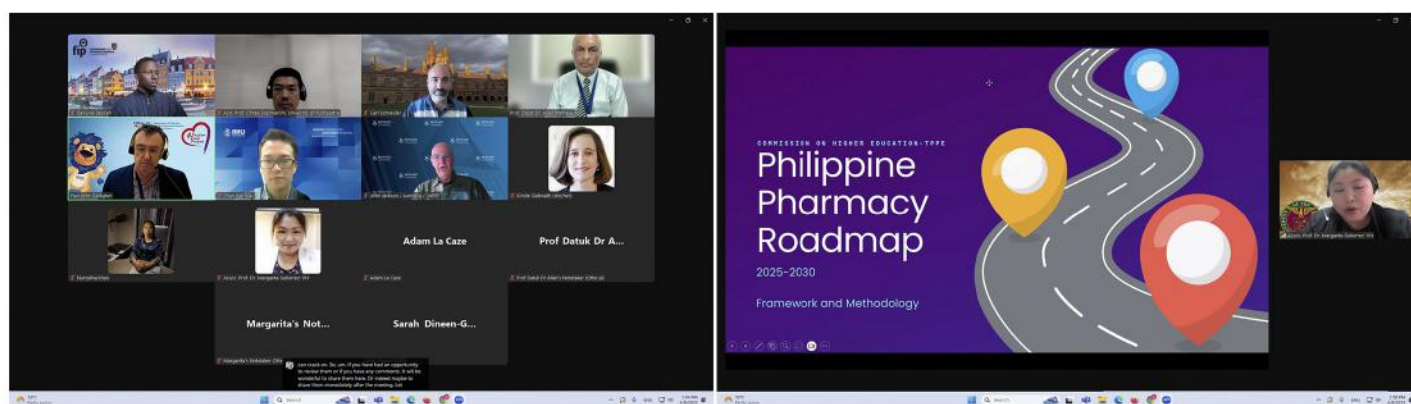
On April 3, 2025, the Faculty of Pharmacy (FoP), in collaboration with student service, UYFC-UP, hosted a vibrant celebration for the upcoming Khmer New Year. The event was a beautiful showcase of Cambodian culture, featuring traditional Khmer games, art performances, and much more.

The celebration included a variety of Khmer songs, the dance, and several contemporary performances, all highlighting the rich diversity of Cambodia's artistic heritage. Students and faculty gathered together to enjoy these lively performances, creating a joyful and festive atmosphere as they celebrated this important cultural occasion.

The event not only offered a fun and engaging way to connect with Cambodian traditions but also fostered a sense of unity and pride within the university community. It was a day full of joy, laughter, and cultural appreciation, marking a memorable start to the Khmer New Year celebrations.

Happy Khmer New Year to all.

## FIP-UNESCO UNITWIN CFE IN WPR DISCUSSION



Asst. Prof. Chhea Sophearom attended the meeting discussed the FIP-UNESCO UNITWIN CFE agenda in the Western Pacific Region (WPR), focusing on patient safety work packages, the development of Patient Information Documents (PIDs), and the Philippine Pharmacy Education Roadmap.

Key points included the need for baseline data on the pharmacy patient safety curriculum, as well as the identification of barriers and enablers to its implementation. A budget was allocated for open-access publication.

The Philippine roadmap aims to produce globally competent pharmacists by 2030 and is outlined in a 300-page document accessible to all Filipinos. It includes 10 action plans, emphasizing faculty development, strategic partnerships, and global recognition.

The team also discussed the need for translation services and budget allocation for translation and logistics.



## MEDICAL STUDENT PARTICIPATING IN THE SMILE CAMBODIA MISSION



Mr. Nov Mengfong, a year-4 medical student took part in the Smile Cambodia Mission held at Siem Reap Provincial Referral Hospital from 12th to 16th march 2025. Over the course of this impactful five-day mission, he served as an Operating Room Assistant, contributing to 44 life-changing surgeries for children with cleft lips and cleft palates.

Led by the head surgeon and supported by the China Council of Lions Club a top surgeon from Shanghai, the team worked tirelessly to ensure each child received the best possible care. Thanks to their efforts, all surgical procedures were carried out successfully, bringing new hope and beautiful smiles to dozens of young faces.

The mission prioritized children with congenital birth defects and other plastic surgery needs, aiming to enhance their quality of life. In total, approximately 60 patients received consultations, with 44 undergoing surgeries. The remaining patients have been scheduled for the next mission, set to take place in June in Kampot Province, where they will receive priority treatment.

## FACULTY OF MEDICINE JOINING HYGIENE PROJECT LAUNCH BY SOMA INITIATIVE IN TAKEO PROVINCE



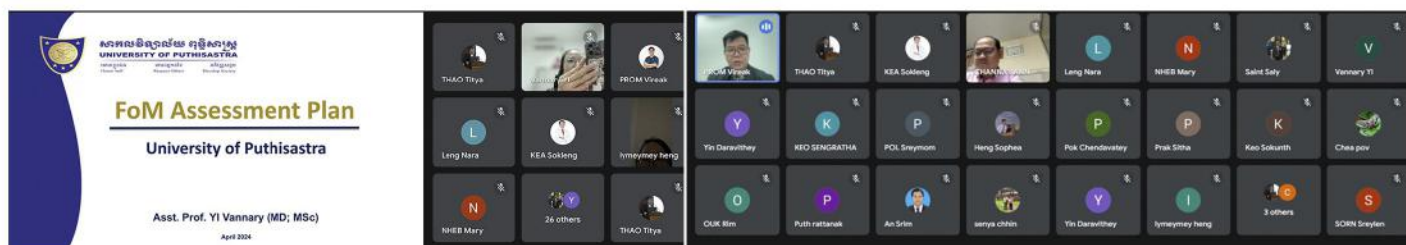
Two faculty members, who are certified medical doctors, along with three medical students from the Faculty of Medicine at the University of Puthisastra, participated in the 'Hygiene Project Launch in Takeo', organized by the SOMA Initiative on April 7th, 2025. The event was held in celebration of World Health Day. This one-day mission took place in Phum Kompong, Preah Bat Choan Chum Commune, Kiri Vong District, Takeo Province, Cambodia.

This health project is scheduled to span five consecutive years. The scope of the project includes health education, health screenings and check-ups, medical treatment, and dental examinations. During this mission, the medical team provided general health screenings and treatments to 180 villagers. Commonly identified conditions included hypertension, diabetes mellitus, arthritis, gastritis, dyspepsia, and insomnia, among others.

The medical team was pleased to have had the opportunity to participate in this volunteer project, which allowed them to make a meaningful contribution to the community. Being part of this initiative was not only a rewarding experience but also a powerful reminder of the importance of collective efforts in fostering positive change. They demonstrated a strong commitment to continuing their involvement and expressed enthusiasm for participating in future projects.



# FACULTY OF MEDICINE: LECTURERS' ORIENTATION FOR THE SEMESTER II ACADEMIC YEAR 2024-2025



On April 7th, 2025, the Faculty of Medicine at the University of Puthisastra (UP) successfully conducted its Online Lecturer Orientation, welcoming lecturers for the semester 2 of academic year 2024-2025.

The session began with a welcome speech by Assistant Professor Prom Vireak, Dean of the Faculty medicine, who expressed appreciation for the lecturers' commitment to shaping the future of healthcare education. He emphasized UP's mission to maintain high academic and professional standards. He reminds lecturers about the competency-based medical education.

Next, Assistant Professor Yi Vannary, Assistant Dean for education, presented the Faculty of Medicine's Assessment Plan, providing clarity on the evaluation structure, grading policies, and strategies to ensure fair and consistent student assessment.

Assistant Professor Thao Titya, Assistant Dean for academic affairs, followed with a detailed overview of UP's Academic Integrity Policy, highlighting the importance of honesty, ethics, and responsibility in academic work.

Ms. Pol Sreymom, Deputy Dean of research, then addressed key thesis-related matters, including timelines, supervisor expectations, and the support systems available to both students and faculty.

Finally, Ms. Chhuon Samean from Human Resources provided an insightful orientation on HR policies, covering employment procedures, lecturer responsibilities, and available staff support.

The orientation marked a strong start to the academic year, reinforcing UP's dedication to quality education and a supportive teaching environment.

## EMPOWERING NEW EDUCATORS: CBME WORKSHOP STRENGTHENS TEACHING FOUNDATIONS IN FACUTLY OF MEDICINE



On April 8, 2025, the Faculty of Medicine at the University of Puthisastra successfully hosted a focused workshop titled "Foundations of Teaching in CBME: A Workshop for New Lecturers" at Room L41. With 12 part-time faculties in attendance, the session aimed to build a solid understanding of Competency-Based Medical Education (CBME) and equip participants with essential teaching strategies aligned with CBME principles.

The workshop began with an opening speech by Asst. Prof. Dr. Prom Vireak, Dean of the Faculty of Medicine, who emphasized the importance of transitioning from traditional teaching models to competency-driven approaches that prioritize learner outcomes and readiness for clinical practice.

The first core session, led by Asst. Prof. Dr. Yi Vannary, introduced participants to the foundational principles and current trends in CBME. This was followed by a practical overview of assessment in CBME—crucial for ensuring that teaching aligns with desired competencies.

Asst. Prof. Prom Vireak then facilitated an interactive session on constructing high-order thinking multiple-choice questions (MCQs) for CBME-aligned assessments. This hands-on segment offered lecturers a chance to refine their skills in designing assessment tools that support both formative and summative evaluations.



The final session, also led by Dr. YI Vannary, explored the use of active learning strategies in CBME—highlighting Case-Based Learning (CBL) as a powerful method to promote clinical reasoning and student engagement.

Participants appreciated the opportunity to connect theory with practical application, setting a strong foundation for their teaching careers at UP. The Faculty of Medicine continues to lead the way in modernizing medical education through targeted professional development initiatives like this workshop.

## CASE PRESENTATION BY YEAR 3 BACHELOR OF MIDWIFERY STUDENTS



The clerkship is a vital component of midwifery education. It offers hands-on training that allows students to transition from theory to practice. During this period, students work closely with experienced healthcare providers, engage directly with patients, and apply their academic knowledge in clinical settings. This invaluable experience plays a crucial role in strengthening clinical competencies, enhancing patient care skills, and preparing students for the realities and responsibilities of midwifery practice.

As part of this learning journey, on April 8, 2025, Year 3 Bachelor of Midwifery students held a case presentation session in Hall B after successfully completing their clinical clerkship at Cambodia–China Friendship Preah Kossamak Hospital and Samdech Euv–Samdech Mae Referral Hospital.

The students were organized into four groups, each consisting of four to five members. They presented a variety of case studies on topics including diabetes, acute pharyngitis, syphilis, and herpes simplex. The presentations were delivered in an engaging and informative manner, reflecting the students' ability to connect theoretical knowledge with practical clinical experience.

This case presentation activity not only enhanced the students' understanding of real-world healthcare scenarios but also deepened their comprehension of patient care. It provided a valuable platform for them to develop clinical reasoning skills. The session also included a Q&A segment, allowing students to engage in meaningful discussions with lecturers, clarify doubts, and receive further guidance. Experiences like these are essential in building students' confidence and preparing them to manage diverse and complex clinical situations in their future midwifery careers.

## THESIS PROPOSAL DEFENSE OF THE SCIENCE RESEARCH STUDENTS FROM BATCH 2, GROUP 3

**PROPOSAL DEFENSE**

Topic: Quantification and Health Risk Assessment of Heavy Metals in Whitening Body Lotions Available in Local Market, Phnom Penh, Cambodia

8:30 - 11:00 AM  
10 APRIL 2025  
KOSPO Room, UP

PEK LINHENG Bachelor Researcher Year 3, Batch 2	PHAL BUNRONG Bachelor Researcher Year 3, Batch 2	SORT SREYNITH Bachelor Researcher Year 3, Batch 2	MAKARA SEIHAIPANHA Bachelor Researcher Year 3, Batch 2	SOKKEA SEAKLEANG Bachelor Researcher Year 3, Batch 2

**PROPOSAL COMMITTEE**

Advisor: **MISS CHHUN Sreynith, MEd.**

Members: **Dr. CHHENG Lya, Ph.D.**  
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The Department of Science Research of the Faculty of Science and Technology at the University of Puthisastra organized a Thesis Proposal Defense presented by a group of students from the Bachelor of Science Research program.

This Thesis Proposal Defense was presented by a group of five students from Group 3, Batch 2 namely;

- 1.Mr. PEK Linheng
- 2.Mr. PHAL Bunrong
- 3.Ms. SORT Sreynith
- 4.Ms. MAKARA Seihaipanha
- 5.Ms. SOKKEA Seakleang

Their research study is entitled "Quantification and Health Risk Assessment of Heavy Metals in Whitening Body Lotions Available in Local Market, Phnom Penh, Cambodia".



This project is under the supervision of Miss CHHUN Sreynich and evaluated by three committees, namely;

1. Dr. CHHEANG Lita, Part-time lecturer, University of Puthisastra
2. Mr. BE Sokkeang, Science Research Program Manager, University of Puthisastra
3. Mr. KONG Sela, Research Coordinator, University of Puthisastra

The Thesis Proposal Defense Program was happened on Thursday, April 10, 2025, from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. in the KOSPO Room of the University of Puthisastra.

## CONGRATULATIONS TO 2 SCIENCE RESEARCH STUDENTS, BATCH 5 WHO RECEIVED 100% SCHOLARSHIPS FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF PUTHISAstra

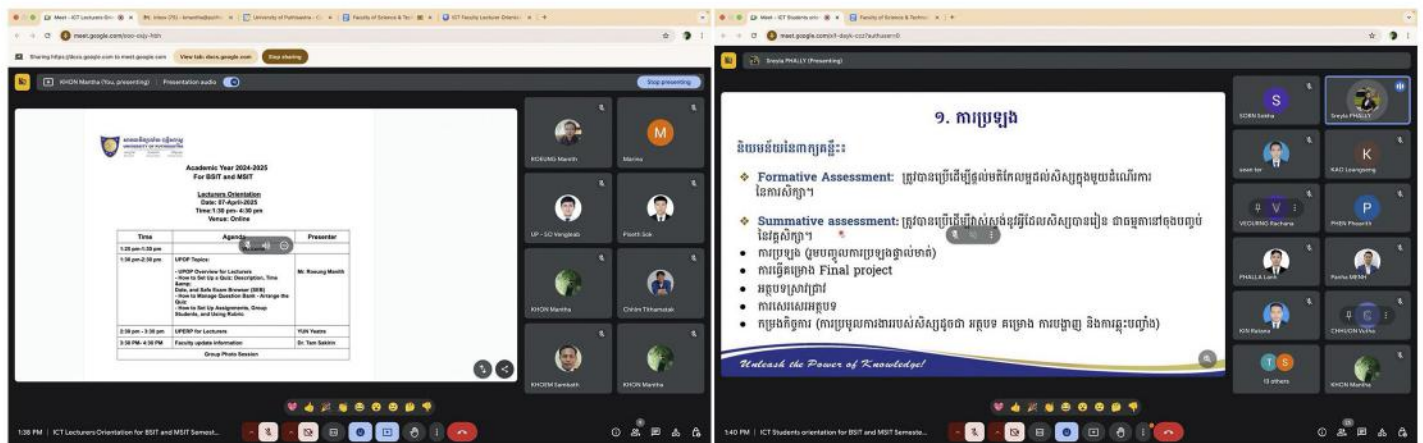


Department of Science Research of the Faculty of Science and Technology is proud to announce and congratulate 2 Science Research Students, batch 5 namely; Ms. Rin Rithiya and Ms. Ros Nataly, who have received scholarships from the University of Puthisastra.

The scholarship offers a 100% sponsorship on the tuition fee for the full 4 years and many opportunities with the Department of Science Research.

We wish them ongoing academic success and promote even greater efforts in the future!

## LECTURERS AND STUDENTS' ORIENTATION SESSION



The Faculty of Science and Technology at the University of Puthisastra (UP) successfully organized an orientation session aimed at updating both IT lecturers and students with the latest academic and administrative information ahead of the start of Semester 2.

The session was conducted with strong support from the Registrar's Office, UPOP team, and UPERP team. With Semester 2 set to begin shortly, the orientation session marks a positive start, ensuring that both lecturers and students are ready to engage in the new term with clarity and confidence.

## DISCUSSION MEETING WITH THE EMAAN FOUNDATION

The Faculty of Science and Technology at the University of Puthisastra (UP) held a productive meeting with representatives from the Emaan Foundation to explore potential collaboration opportunities aimed at enhancing education, training, and student support.

The discussion focused on key areas of mutual interest, including professional training programs, scholarship opportunities, and potential joint initiatives that align with both institutions' commitment to educational excellence and social impact. This engagement reflects UP's continuous efforts to strengthen ties with external partners in support of its vision to build a more advantageous and more brilliant Cambodia through quality education and impactful partnerships.



## STUDENT'S ORIENTATION FOR SCIENCE RESEARCH YEAR 2, 3, AND 4 IN SEMESTER II (2024-2025)



On 11 April 2025, the Department of Science Research of the University of Puthisastra conducted an orientation session for the students of Science Research years 2, 3, and 4 with the participation of Assoc. Prof. Dr. Tam Sakirin, Dean of the Faculty of Science and Technology, Mr. Be Sokkeang, Science Research program manager and staff of the faculty, as well as all students. This orientation aims to demonstrate readiness for a new semester, curriculum, internships, study tours, research activities, and UP's policy and student regulations. Through this orientation, the Faculty of Science and Technology strongly believes that the teaching and learning activities in the second semester will run smoothly.

## CONGRATULATIONS TO THE OUTSTANDING STUDENTS OF SCIENCE RESEARCH IN THE 2ND, 3RD AND 4TH YEARS OF ACADEMIC YEAR (2023-2024)



The Department of Science Research of the Faculty of Science and Technology of the University of Puthisastra would like to congratulate the outstanding students of Bachelor of Science in Research in the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th years of the academic year (2023-2024) who are listed as follows:

Outstanding Students' Year 4, Batch 1:

1. Miss ORN Sreyneath
2. Miss MEN Kalyansethyroat
3. Miss LENG Sreylin

Outstanding Students' Year 3, Batch 2:

1. Miss HAK Meyhuoy
2. Mr. PEK Linheng
3. Mr. PENG Keangseng

Outstanding Students' Year 2, Batch 3:

1. Miss LIM Chanboramey
2. Miss PHALLY Seavmean
3. Miss SOCH Channary

The above 9 students have worked hard in their studies and had the opportunity to be the outstanding students of the Academic Year 2023-2024.



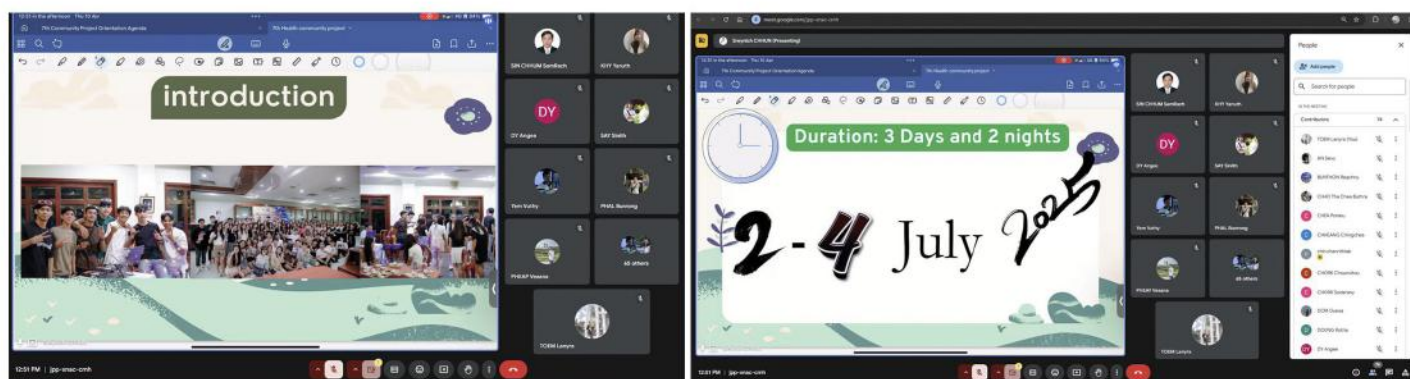
# CONGRATULATIONS TO THE STUDENTS OF THE LABORATORY SCIENCES DEPARTMENT, WHO HAVE SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED THEIR 3RD YEAR CLERKSHIP!!!



Congratulations to the 3rd year ADL students, batch 12th (2024-2025) of the Department of Laboratory Sciences of the University of Puthisastra, who have successfully completed their 4-week clerkships in the medical laboratories of national hospitals in Phnom Penh. The students have been assigned into groups and sent to the medical laboratories and the national hospitals including Kantha Bopha Hospital Phnom Penh, Preah Kossamak Hospital, Cho Ray Phnom Penh Hospital, and the National Center for Maternal and Child Health. The clerkship mainly focused on basic skills in Biochemistry, Parasitology, and Immuno-Serology. The students have been very well taking care and trained from the clinical receptors at the hospitals with excellent results.

For more information about the ADL program: Please contact us via telegram group "ADL Information UP":  
[https://t.me/+LZSd4jG\\_kdo2YTk1](https://t.me/+LZSd4jG_kdo2YTk1)

## ORIENTATION EVENT TO THE "7TH COMMUNITY HEALTH" PROJECT



On April 10, 2025, the Laboratory Science Department, in collaboration with the Science Research Department of the University of Puthisastra organized an orientation event on the topic "Identification of anemia in women and determination of heavy metals in drinking water in Kratie province" located in Thom village, Sandan commune, Sambor district, Kratie province from July 2-4, 2025. The "7th Community Health" project includes the following activities:

- Hospital Study Tour
- Public Health Screening
- Research on Anemia among women and heavy metals in water
- Charity event for primary school students
- Community dinner programs and fun activities for faculty, staff, and students of both departments
- Tour programs as well as many other activities.

We would like to inform and respectfully request that His Excellency, Professors, Teachers, Students, and the public who wish to contribute to the charity event through providing financial support or educational materials such as books, pens, pencils, rulers, as well as other materials to students at Bunnary Hun Sen Phum Thom Primary School via the team's telegram number: 017410077/012 523 122.

For more information about study programs:

- Bachelor of Medical Laboratory Technology, continuing degree from the Associate Degree, please inquire via the BBL Information UP Telegram group <https://t.me/+YeTt4dLginM3ZTFI>
- Associate Degree in Medical Laboratory Technology, please inquire via the ADL Information UP Telegram group: [https://t.me/+LZSd4jG\\_kdo2YTk1](https://t.me/+LZSd4jG_kdo2YTk1)



## BIOGRAPHY - DR SIDDHARTH



Dr. Siddharthan Selvaraj, born on 7th November in Tamil Nadu, India, is a distinguished dental professional and researcher currently serving as the Deputy Dean for Dentistry (Research) - University of Puthisastra. He completed his Bachelor's Degree in Dental Surgery from the Tamil Nadu Dr. MGR Medical University - India, followed by a Master's Degree in Dental Public Health from Universiti Sains Malaysia and a PhD in Periodontal Epidemiology from Universiti Sultan Zainal Abidin - Malaysia. Dr. Selvaraj is a Fellow in the Pierre Fauchard Academy (USA) and the Royal Society for Public Health (UK). He holds memberships in the Faculty of Dental Trainers at the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh (UK) and the Epidemiology Foundation of India. He also serves as an adjunct professor at Dr. DY Patil Vidyapeeth University and Saveetha University in India. Before shifting to Cambodia, he has also taught and worked as a dental specialist in University of Malaya and AIMST University in Malaysia. With over 80 research articles published in prestigious journals, he contributes to editorial and reviewing teams for various prestigious journals.

Dr. Selvaraj's expertise spans periodontal epidemiology, dental public health, and oral disease prevention, making him a leading figure in advancing dental care and education worldwide. Outside of his professional life, Dr. Selvaraj enjoys playing football and spending time at animal shelters, reflecting his compassionate nature and commitment to both physical activity and community service.

## UP STAFF, RECENT GRADUATES, AND STUDENTS PUBLISH RESEARCH IN THE CAMBODIAN DENTAL JOURNAL

Six research studies conducted by staff, recent graduates, and students of the University of Puthisastra Faculty of Dentistry were recently published in the Cambodia Dental Journal.

There were no research papers from other universities.

The titles and authors were:

1. "Acceptability of Silver Diamine Fluoride by Children and Parents in Cambodia" – authored by Khy Daravuth, Koung Bunly, Chea Senghuy, Tak Ranuch, Callum Durward

2. "Advertising of Sugary Foods and Drinks Around Primary Schools in Phnom Penh" – authored by Heng Rithi, Sary Saney, Yem Sorphea, Callum Durward

3. "Dental Students Perceptions and Experiences in the University of Puthisastra Dental Hospital"

-authored by Than Vuthy, Dy Sovanrith, Chin Lyhok, Kong Kalyan, Callum Durward

4. "Fate of the First Permanent Molar in Cambodian People Aged 6 to 20 Years Old: An Observational Study on 300 Digital Panoramic Radiographs"

- authored by Pouy Sreyleak, Pally Raksmei, Cheang Kagna, Kong Sophannary

5. "History of Dentistry in Cambodia Before and During the Khmer Rouge"

-authored by Choun Lina, Lao Ryna, Nam Virak, Callum Durward, Kong Kalyan

6. "Risk Factors and Treatment Modalities for Biological Complications, Including Peri-Implant Infection and Soft Tissue Recession"

-authored by Ping Busahara, Sieng Sambath, Chum Chenda

These publications highlight the significant research contributions from UP's faculty and students in advancing dental knowledge in Cambodia.

Congratulations to all the authors.





## UP DENTAL STUDENT PLACED AND RESTORED AN IMPLANT



We are pleased to share the recent clinical success of Mak Sangdor, a dental student at the University of Puthisastra, who successfully replaced a missing tooth with a dental implant for a patient at the University's Dental Hospital. This achievement was made possible through careful planning and close supervision by Dr. Horn Rithvitou, a full-time lecturer at the University of Puthisastra.

Mak Sangdor expressed his heartfelt gratitude to the University for incorporating dental implantology into the clinical training curriculum. He shared that this case offered him valuable hands-on experience and greatly enriched his learning journey.

The University of Puthisastra Dental Clinic is proud to provide a full range of high-quality dental treatments—from preventive care and restorative dentistry to advanced procedures like dental implants—delivered by a team of dedicated professionals, including experienced faculty and well-trained students under close supervision.

## THESIS DEFENSE FOR GROUP B5G61 SUCCESSFULLY DONE



We are proud to announce the successful Thesis Defense of Group B5G61, titled "Restoration of Occlusal Caries Using the Stamp Technique – A Case Series," which took place on April 3rd, 2025. Presented by Sambath Boty, Y Sopharith, Chhuer Heng Chan Pupler Leap, under the supervision of Dr. Horn Rithvitou, A Full-time Lecturer at the University of Puthisastra, this case series explores various methods of applying the Stamp Technique in restorative dentistry.

Stamp Technique has gained recognition for being a faster and more efficient method to replicate occlusal anatomy in posterior composite restorations. This study highlights different approaches within the technique, offering insights into its practical advantages and clinical outcomes.

We are sincerely thankful to our TEC Examiners – Prof. Anand Marya (Chairman), Dr. Tort Borany, and Dr. Chao Siev Kay – for their constructive feedback and unwavering support. The defense was held in Hall H from 3:00 PM to 4:00 PM, and marked an important academic milestone as the group successfully passed with Credit.



# THE FACULTY OF DENTISTRY MEMBERS ATTENDED THE UP/HR - KHMER NEW YEAR 2025 AT SEVEN BRIGHT KING TK



The Faculty of Dentistry members came together to celebrate the vibrant and culturally rich UP/HR - Khmer New Year 2025 at Seven Bright King TK. The event was filled with the following agenda as Welcome UP's Staff, Chinese Set Menu, VP Academic Affairs Speech, Games, Lucky Draw, UP Staff Photo, and Entertainment. This joyful occasion allowed faculty members, staff to embrace Cambodia's traditions and welcome the new year with enthusiasm.

On the other hand, the event also provided an opportunity for faculty members and other staff to strengthen their connections, fostering a sense of community and teamwork beyond the academic setting. Beyond the festivities, the event served as a meaningful gathering that strengthened relationships across the faculty members with faculty members, Professors to Professors, Lecturers to Lecturers, and staff to staff enjoyed the opportunity to engage in cultural traditions while fostering a sense of unity and collaboration outside of the academic setting.

The Faculty of Dentistry representatives expressed their appreciation for the event, emphasizing the importance of celebrating Cambodia's heritage and creating lasting memories together. As the new year begins, the Faculty of Dentistry looks forward to more opportunities to honor traditions and build a stronger, more connected academic community.

