



THE ADL STUDENTS PARTICIPATED

IN VARIOUS ACTIVITIES DURING THE SECOND WEEK OF THEIR INTERNATIONAL ELECTIVE EXCHANGE 2025 AT UNIVERSITI PUTRA MALAYSIA



The 12th-generation Medical Laboratory Technology students participated in various activities during the second week of their International Elective Exchange 2025 at Universiti Putra Malaysia.

During the visit, they engaged in laboratory tests, tours, and educational activities across several health facilities in Serdang, Malaysia, ranging from health centers to public hospitals, including university-affiliated hospitals.

These activities provided valuable insights into the Malaysian healthcare system. The students received a warm welcome and visited the following institutions:

- Ministry of Health: National Public Health Laboratory, Ministry of Health Malaysia
- Bandar Seri Putra Health Clinic: Klinik Kesihatan Bandar Seri Putra
- Public Hospital: Hospital Cyberjaya

It is noted that the International Elective Exchange Program 2025 at Universiti Putra Malaysia is scheduled to run from November 10 to December 6, 2025.

TOP SCORERS SHINE IN NATIONAL ENTRANCE EXAM (NEE) PREPARATION COURSE



Three students have distinguished themselves through outstanding performance in the mock tests of the National Entrance Exam Preparation Course.

Their dedication and consistent effort have made them role models for their peers.

Sokhom Chamroeun Reaksa achieved the highest overall score across all subjects, demonstrating exceptional understanding and consistent performance in Biology, Chemistry, and Mathematics.

Pov Seangei led in Mathematics with an impressive score while also performing very well in Biology and Chemistry. Kosal Sokvisal secured the third-highest overall position, showing strong skills and dedication across all subjects.

Their achievements reflect not only individual talent and perseverance but also the guidance and support of our experienced teachers. These students' well-rounded excellence inspires their peers to strive for high performance in securing a place in health science studies.

CONGRATULATIONS TO YEAR 5 STUDENT COMPLETING INTERNSHIP AT MEGA



Ms. Sean Thida, a year 5 student who completed internship at Mega for 3 months as a Regulatory Affairs Team. During the internship at Mega Lifesciences, our student gained valuable hands-on experience in the Regulatory Affairs Department.

The placement provided opportunities to support product registration activities, verify technical documents, review labeling for compliance, and assist in coordinating regulatory submissions.

Through this role, the student developed strong attention to detail, a clearer understanding of regulatory processes, and an appreciation for the importance of ensuring medicine quality and patient safety. This experience has further strengthened the student's professional skills and interest in the pharmaceutical regulatory field.

We would like to express our sincere appreciation to Mega Lifesciences for providing valuable support and learning opportunities to our student during the internship. Your guidance and commitment to nurturing future pharmaceutical professionals are truly appreciated.

SCIENCE RESEARCH INTERN JOINED YOUTH FOR MANGROVE SUMMIT 2025



Ms. Chhun Elaine, a laboratory assistant intern in the Science Research Department of the Faculty of Science and Technology at the University of Puthisastra (UP), had the opportunity to join the Youth for Mangrove Summit 2025 at the Trapeang Sankae Community in Kampot Province from 13 to 16 November 2025.

During the program, the intern participated in mangrove planting and ecosystem learning activities and worked on a project aligned with the summit's theme of sustainability, regeneration, and outreach. On the final day, our intern showcased her project “Mangrove Sparks”, a one-day educational field program for students to explore mangrove ecosystems, where her team won the Future Leaders Award.

LAUNCH OF THE FIRST CLINICAL PHARMACY CHALLENGE 2025 IN CAMBODIA

Phnom Penh, November 15, 2025 — The Faculty of Pharmacy of the University of Puthisastra successfully organized the 1st Clinical Pharmacy Challenge 2025, a landmark academic event designed to strengthen clinical competence among pharmacy students. The event was held under the distinguished chairmanship of Prof. Ian Rouse, President and Vice-Chancellor of the University of Puthisastra; Prof. Chea Sin, Vice-President of the University of Puthisastra; and Asst. Prof. Chhea Sophearom, Dean of the Faculty of Pharmacy. The ceremony was also attended by the evaluation committee, university leaders, faculty staff, candidates, and more than 100 pharmacy students.

Prof. Ian Rouse delivered an inspiring opening speech, expressing great pride and optimism as he marked the launch of the University's inaugural Clinical Pharmacy Challenge. He emphasized that the event was “more than a competition,” describing it as a powerful demonstration of the University of Puthisastra's commitment to advancing clinical practice and promoting excellence in patient-centered care.

He highlighted that the intensity of the final round reflected real-world pressures commonly faced in clinical environments. Whether students were presenting a case for the first time



or analyzing complex scenarios under tight time constraints, he noted that these conditions mirror the precision, speed, and critical thinking required in hospitals and clinics. His message to all participants was clear: embrace the challenge. He encouraged students to compete with integrity, support their teammates, and view the competition as an invaluable opportunity for accelerated learning. Regardless of the results, he affirmed that every competitor was already a winner for demonstrating readiness to perform at a high professional standard.

Additionally, Asst. Prof. Chhea Sophearom, Dean of the Faculty of Pharmacy, delivered the welcome speech, emphasizing the importance of this platform for students to showcase their clinical problem-solving abilities, teamwork, and patient-care skills through real-world case studies. She highlighted that the competition reflects the Faculty's ongoing commitment to fostering academic excellence and preparing the next generation of pharmacists for professional, patient-centered practice.

Moreover, representing the evaluation committees, Dr. Uy Sokchamroeun delivered warm and encouraging remarks. He underscored the significance of establishing a competitive academic environment that motivates students to pursue careers in clinical pharmacy. He reaffirmed the evaluation committee's dedication to ensuring accuracy, fairness, and integrity throughout the competition. By upholding these principles, he noted, the event provides students with meaningful opportunities to learn, grow, and confidently demonstrate their clinical competencies.

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SEVEN TEAMS ADVANCE TO FINALS OF THE 1ST CLINICAL PHARMACY CHALLENGE 2025

We are pleased to announce that seven exceptional teams from Puthisastra University and Norton University have successfully advanced to the Final Round of the 2025 Clinical

Pharmacology Competition, scheduled for November 15, 2025.

Finalist Teams and Case Study Topics:

- Team 1: Familial Hypercholesterolemia
- Team 3: Type 2 Diabetes
- Team 4: Insomnia
- Team 5: Migraine
- Team 6: Osteoarthritis
- Team 7: Dyslipidemia
- Team 8: Hepatitis B

Congratulations to all finalist teams for their commitment, effort, and impressive clinical knowledge! We wish you the best of luck in the final round.

WHITE COAT CEREMONY – FACULTY OF DENTISTRY, UNIVERSITY OF PUTHISASTRA



The Faculty of Dentistry at the University of Puthisastra organized its annual White Coat Ceremony on 21 November 2025 at Hall H to formally welcome new Year 4 dental students into their clinical phase of study. This milestone event marked the transition from pre-clinical coursework to hands-on patient care, emphasizing the ethical responsibilities, professional conduct, and compassionate service expected of future oral health practitioners. The ceremony reflected the faculty's commitment to fostering clinical excellence, patient-centered care, and professional development aligned with international standards in dental education.

The program commenced with welcoming remarks by Asst. Prof. Soeun Sopharith, who congratulated the students for reaching this significant stage in their academic journey. He reminded them that entering the clinical environment carries increased accountability and requires strict adherence to professionalism, discipline, and empathy when dealing with patients. His address emphasized the importance of integrity and responsible clinical practice as foundational elements of becoming competent dental professionals.

Following the welcome, Professor Anand Marya, Dean of the Faculty of Dentistry, delivered the opening speech. He highlighted the symbolic significance of the white coat as a representation of trust, responsibility, and service to society. Professor Anand discussed the transformative nature of clinical training and the essential role it plays in developing skilled and ethical dentists. He also underscored the faculty's expanding initiatives in research, digital dentistry, quality assurance, community service, and international collaboration, noting that these advancements enrich the student learning experience and elevate the standards of dental education at UP. He encouraged students to embody humility, professionalism, and lifelong learning as they begin their clinical responsibilities.

A special segment of the ceremony featured senior student Mr. Yorm Sileng, one of the top-performing students in the faculty, who delivered an inspirational reflection on his own transition from pre-clinical learning to clinical practice. He spoke about the challenges of adapting to real patient cases, managing clinical expectations, and balancing theoretical knowledge with hands-on procedures. His speech highlighted the importance of time management, teamwork, and communication, as well as the support provided by faculty mentors throughout his learning journey. His testimony served as valuable guidance and motivation for the new cohort entering clinical rotations.

The formal white coat presentation followed, marking the ceremonial induction of students into the clinical phase. Faculty members assisted in presenting the coats, symbolizing mentorship and shared commitment to ethical and professional practice. Students affirmed their dedication to patient care and responsible conduct through a professional pledge, reinforcing the values that will govern their clinical work.

In his closing remarks, Professor Anand reiterated the importance of maintaining professionalism, compassion, and academic rigor throughout clinical training. He acknowledged the role of faculty and institutional support systems in shaping competent future practitioners and encouraged students to uphold the values of service, integrity, and excellence in every patient interaction. The ceremony concluded with a welcome lunch for faculty members and students, providing an opportunity for informal engagement, mentorship discussions, and collegial interaction. The gathering strengthened the sense of community within the faculty and fostered meaningful dialogue between academic staff and emerging clinical students.

Overall, the White Coat Ceremony 2025 successfully celebrated a pivotal academic transition for Year 4 dental students at the University of Puthisastra. Through meaningful reflections, symbolic tradition, and collaborative fellowship, the event reinforced the faculty's commitment to producing ethical, skilled, and patient-centered dental professionals who are prepared to contribute to advancing oral healthcare in Cambodia and beyond.

DEPUTY DEAN OF FACULTY OF MEDICINE JOINED THE DUAL FORUMS ON ETHICS AND AI INNOVATION



Laying the Global Ethical Groundwork for Neurotech

Sreymom Pol, Deputy Dean for Research in the Faculty of Medicine, she has successfully represented the University of Puthisastra (UP) in two crucial national and international science and ethics forums this month, solidifying UP's commitment to being part of responsible innovation.

Ms. Sreymom attended the inaugural Responsible Innovation of Neurotechnology in the Global South (RINGS) workshop at Monash University, Malaysia. The workshop's core objective was to establish an international network to identify and address the essential ethical, social, and cultural factors unique to neurotechnology in low- and middle-income countries.

A key activity was the interactive “World Cafe,” where participants, including Sreymom Pol, collaborated to co-create and prioritize solutions for ethical and responsible innovation.

Ms. Sreymom Pol also connected with SEABION members, strengthening regional science and ethics ties. Deputy Dean Pol also utilized the opportunity to meet with SEABION members, further strengthening UP’s engagement in regional health and ethics networks. UP is proud to be at the forefront of this vital, equitable discussion.

This event set the stage: While the Global South may be far from widespread implementation of advanced neurotechnology, the discussion on how to govern it must start now to prevent future inequalities.

The event was a significant success and marks a promising beginning for sustained, critical discussion on Ethics in Neurotechnology.

National Research Forum and Higher Education STEM Fair 2025

Ms. Sreymom Pol also attended the National Research Forum and Higher Education STEM Fair 2025 (November 19-20) at the Institute of Technology of Cambodia, themed: “Research for Development in the Age of Artificial Intelligence”, organized by the Ministry of Education, Youth and Sport (MoEYS).

As a private university invited by the Ministry of Education, Youth and Sport (MoEYS), UP witnessed the exciting next era of Cambodian innovation. It was exciting to see that the agenda explicitly includes the objective to build awareness of ethical and inclusive approaches to AI and technological advancement.

The Deputy Dean also witnessed the vibrant exhibitions where young students and researchers from Cambodian universities showcased many excellent prototypes and applications developed in STEM and AI.

Crucially, the forum’s objectives explicitly included the need to build awareness of ethical and inclusive approaches to AI. This marks a significant step forward. Just as the RINGS workshop highlighted the urgent need for neuroethics, this national event confirms that Cambodia is beginning to embed the critical discussion about ethical technology governance into its core AI and STEM strategy. We are starting the conversation!

Both events highlight UP’s commitment to ensuring that as technology advances, ethical considerations remain at the forefront of our educational and research mission.

FACULTY OF DENTISTRY OF UP INTRODUCED PBL CLASS TO NEWCASTLE EXCHANGE STUDENTS

The Faculty of Dentistry of the University of Puthisastra (UP) recently welcomed 15 oral health therapy students from Newcastle University for a special 90-minute Problem-Based Learning (PBL) session.

Five UP dental students also joined the activity, creating a collaborative and engaging learning environment. The session was conducted by Assoc. Prof. Kong Kalyan, Assistant Dean of Dentistry.

The class began with warming-up activities that helped students get acquainted and prepare for group interaction. This was followed by guided discussions, a concise mini-lecture, and



hands-on practice with one clinical problem. Throughout the session, students worked together to analyze the case and identify key learning issues that they need to further study in order to explore possible solutions, allowing them to apply theoretical knowledge in a practical context.

For many of the exchange students, PBL was a new methodology, and they expressed strong interest in this interactive approach to learning. They appreciated how the format encouraged critical thinking, teamwork, and active participation. The activity not only introduced them to UP's student-centered teaching methods but also strengthened academic ties between the two institutions, fostering future opportunities for further collaboration and exchange programs.

WELCOMING THE UNIVERSITY OF NEWCASTLE TO UP!



The Faculty of Dentistry, University of Puthisastra (UP), is delighted to welcome 15 Oral Health Therapy students from the University of Newcastle, Australia, visiting under the prestigious New Colombo Exchange Program!

Their visit marks another milestone in UP's growing global engagement and strengthens our shared mission of advancing oral health education across the region.

*Faculty of Dentistry Highlights – 2025

This year has been one of exceptional growth and achievement for UP Dentistry, including:

- Strong representation at SEAADE 2025 in Taipei, with our faculty leading workshops, judging oral and poster competitions, and contributing to key discussions.
- Significant expansion in digital dentistry and AI-enhanced learning, strengthening UP's reputation as a regional leader in innovation.
- Continued growth in research output, community outreach, and student success.
- Strengthening of our UP Dental Hospital services with advanced digital workflows and improved patient-centered care.

*What's Planned for Our Newcastle Visitors?

Over the coming days, students will experience a rich academic and cultural immersion,

including:

- Visits to UP Dental Hospital & Clinics: A chance to observe our clinical training model and digital dentistry facilities.
- Visit to the Children's Surgical Center (CSC): Gaining insight into multidisciplinary care for underserved populations.
- Brainstorming Workshop: Exploring the Social and Structural Drivers of Chronic Diseases—an interactive session highlighting public health realities in Cambodia.
- PBL Lecture & Demonstration: Experiencing UP's problem-based learning approach that promotes critical thinking and real-world clinical reasoning.
- Engagement and Cultural Exchange Activities: Deepening understanding of Cambodian healthcare, culture, and community resilience.

We are excited for this week of learning, collaboration, and meaningful exchange. A warm Cambodian welcome to the University of Newcastle team—may your time at UP be inspiring, enriching, and unforgettable!

TOGETHER FOR BETTER COMMUNITIES: SOMA INITIATIVE'S JOURNEY WITH ASSIST. PROF. SO VISESSAKSETH TO KIRIVONG, TAKEO PROVINCE



On November 21, 2025, Assistant Professor Dr. SO Visessakseth joined the Soma Initiative team on a heartfelt outreach mission to Kirivong, Takeo Province—another important step in advancing the core pillars of Education, Health, and Environment, inspired by the leadership of our CEO, LCT Cham Krasna.

Highlights from the Visit

- Educational Session at Sok An Tanloab Kindergarten

Our day began at Sok An Tanloab Kindergarten in Kampong Village, where teachers and local authorities warmly welcomed the team.

Assist. Prof. Dr. Visessakseth, representing the University of Puthisastra, led an engaging educational session on non-communicable diseases, hygiene, and sanitation. Through lively

explanations, interactive demonstrations, and fun games, the children learned essential practices to support their long-term health.

- Follow-Up on Supported Sanitation Facilities

The team conducted a review of the sanitation facilities supported by Soma Group earlier this year. This follow-up ensures that the school continues to offer a safe, clean, and healthy learning environment for its young students.

- Visit to Kirivong Referral Hospital

The final stop was Kirivong Referral Hospital, where the team gained meaningful insights into the local community's healthcare needs and challenges. These observations will inform future planning to better support the region.

Moving Forward Together

Every step taken in Kirivong reinforces our shared commitment to creating positive, lasting impact in the communities we serve. We extend our heartfelt appreciation to our CEO and to all partners whose dedication made this mission possible.

Together, we continue to rise, grow, and build a healthier, brighter future for Cambodia.

STRENGTHENING ACADEMIC LEADERSHIP: NEW OPPORTUNITIES FOR UP THROUGH DIES-DAAD COLLABORATION



Prof. Chea Sin, Vice-President for Academic Affairs and an alumnus of the International Deans' Course Southeast Asia, had the opportunity from November 20 to 23, 2025, to participate in the DIES (Dialogues on Innovative Higher Education Strategies) workshop supported by the DAAD (German Academic Exchange Service).

The workshop, entitled "Rising Together: Leadership Skills for the Future of Higher Education in Vietnam and Southeast Asia," convened emerging higher-education leaders from across the region to exchange best practices, strengthen leadership competencies, and explore innovative strategies for institutional development.

Prof. Chea Sin's participation has not only expanded UP's international visibility but has also opened new avenues for collaboration with regional and European partners. The workshop created valuable networking opportunities with higher-education institutions, training centers, and scholarship providers. These connections hold significant potential for UP, particularly in advancing capacity-building initiatives for academic and administrative staff.

Upcoming prospects include access to scholarship programs, leadership and management training, and professional development opportunities that can contribute to strengthening UP's institutional leadership pipeline and enhancing its overall quality in higher education management.

SENIOR CLUB HOLDS FIRST MOCK TEST MCQ1&2 FOR YEAR 5 STUDENTS



Faculty of Pharmacy staff as well as coordinators in the Senior Club hold the first Mock Test MCQ1&2 for the 10 generation of year 5 pharmacy students on November 14, 2025, at University of Puthisastra, from 8:30am to 12:00pm.

This test is designed for the following purposes:

1. Get students better prepared for the upcoming internal exit exam at UP.
2. Let students know about the actual exam process and prepare the best for the real internal exit exams from UP.
3. Enable students to know their strengths and weaknesses to better adapt for future internal exit exams.

SUCCESSFUL DEFENSE OF TWO MD THESES AT THE FACULTY OF MEDICINE



For November 2025, University of Puthisastra proudly announces the successful defense of two team MD theses.

These two thesis defenses demonstrated UP's strong commitment to fostering high-quality research that addresses pressing public health and clinical issues in Cambodia.

The Faculty congratulates all student researchers, supervisors, and committee members for their outstanding efforts and contributions to advancing medical knowledge.

The University of Puthisastra proudly announces the successful defense of two MD theses in November 2025, reflecting the continued academic excellence and research commitment of our medical students.

Group One

The thesis defense took place on 13 November 2025 in Hall H, Building H, where students EAM Virak, KRUY Hakleang, and HAI Kanha from Batch 6G14 presented their research on the epidemiological and clinical features of Herpes Zoster in Cambodia. The group was supervised by Asst. Prof. Soeur Chanthan and Dr. Seng Mala, and the assessment session was chaired by Asst. Prof. Prom Vireak with Dr. TE Haypheng and Dr. YANNETH Oudamdaniel serving as TEC members.

Conducted in a hybrid format, the defense highlighted significant gaps in national data on shingles and addressed the epidemiological profile of patients diagnosed at the Dermatology and Venereology Department of the Khmer-Soviet Friendship Hospital (KSFH) in 2019. From a total of 13,292 patients, 64 cases (0.48%) were diagnosed with shingles, with the majority being older women. Pain and burning sensations were almost universally reported, thoracic dermatomes were the most affected, and complications occurred in 30% of cases.

The study emphasizes the importance of strengthening prevention and vaccination strategies—especially for the elderly—to reduce complications such as post-herpetic neuralgia.

Group Two

The thesis defense was successfully completed on 24 November 2025 by another Batch 6G14 team consisting of KONG Seyha, SIM Tap, and PACH Songly. Supervised by Dr. NOY Pisey, the group examined the management and prevalence of birth asphyxia among newborns admitted to the Pediatric Department of KSFH between January 2023 and April 2024.

The assessment of the defends was Chaired by Asst. Prof. Prom Vireak alongside with Dr. Thim Pichthida and Dr. Phauk Chinith as the member of TEC.

Their retrospective study reviewed the cases of 82 newborns and found an incidence rate of 1.063 per 1,000 births. The mean maternal age was 30.36 years, and most mothers were housewives, with multigravida cases accounting for more than half of the sample.

Deliveries were nearly evenly split between Caesarean sections and vaginal births, and the majority of newborns presented in cephalic position. Over half of the newborns required resuscitation at birth, and common reasons for admission included absence of crying, hypotonia, and cyanosis. Despite the severity of some cases, the study reported encouraging outcomes, with 69 newborns recovering fully and 11 deaths.

The findings underscore the critical role of timely resuscitation and proper neonatal management in reducing mortality and long-term complications associated with birth asphyxia.

UP DENTISTRY SHINES AT WELLNESS EXPO 2025 WITH HANDS-ON LEARNING EXPERIENCES



The University of Puthisastra was honored to take part in the WELLNESS EXPO 2025, an event organized by the International Business Chamber (IBC) dedicated to promoting health and well-being in the community.

The expo brought together a diverse range of healthcare organizations and activity booths, offering visitors meaningful opportunities to explore various aspects of health, wellness, and

medical innovation.

UP proudly showcased its commitment to advancing healthcare education and community health through interactive exhibits and engagement with participants. The Faculty of Dentistry also made a strong impression by highlighting its academic programs and hands-on learning opportunities, further demonstrating UP's dedication to developing skilled, compassionate healthcare professionals.

WINNERS OF THE 1ST CLINICAL PHARMACY CHALLENGE 2025



The Faculty of Pharmacy is pleased to announce the winners of the 1st Clinical Pharmacy Challenge 2025:

1st Place Winner

- Topic: Osteoarthritis
- Team: University of Puthisastra & Norton University

2nd Place Winner

- Topic: Migraine
- Team: University of Puthisastra

3rd Place Winner

- Topic: Insomnia
- Team: University of Puthisastra

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CONGRATULATIONS TO 10 UP STUDENTS SELECTED FOR INTERNATIONAL SERVICE PROGRAM AT INDONESIA

This international community service program aims to promote community participation, cross-cultural learning, and public health awareness through meaningful engagement activities, including:

1. Aromatherapy Product Creation: students will collaborate with local communities to create simple aromatherapy products such as essential oils, scented balms, or herbal sachets. This activity introduces basic principles of aromatherapy, supports community wellness, and encourages the use of locally sourced natural ingredients.

2. Water Jogging Class for the Elderly: This activity provides a safe, low-impact exercise session designed specifically for older adults. By engaging in water jogging, participants



help promote physical fitness, mobility, and overall well-being among the elderly, while also fostering intergenerational interaction and support.

3. Direct Educational Session for People with Mental Disorders (ODGJ): Participants will conduct informative and compassionate educational sessions for individuals with mental health disorders. These sessions aim to raise awareness about mental health, provide practical guidance for daily living, promote emotional well-being, and reduce stigma.

OSCE SIMULATION & CLERKSHIP ORIENTATION FOR YEAR-4 MEDICAL STUDENTS



The Faculty of Medicine at the University of Puthisastra successfully conducted the OSCE Simulation and Clerkship Orientation for year-4 medicals students on 20 November 2025, held from 13:00 to 15:30 at Hall H. This important academic event prepared students for the transition into clinical training and ensured they are well equipped with the expectations, responsibilities, and essential clinical skills required for their upcoming clerkships.

The orientation began with a presentation by Dr. Thim Pichthida, Deputy Dean for Clinical Training and Postgraduate Education, who explained the Clerkship Orientation Policy, covering clinical schedules, responsibilities, evaluation components, and professional conduct during hospital placements.

This was followed by an important session on Logbook Completion, delivered by Dr. Hieng Kosalthya, Clinical Rotation and Simulation Supervisor, ensuring students clearly understood documentation requirements aligned with Ministry of Health standards.

The program then shifted into the orientation of OSCE Simulation Training on cardiovascular system, the training that students will join in semester 1. Students were oriented to the structure of OSCE on History Taking and Physical Examination of the Cardiovascular System, led by Dr. Thim Pichthida, where students received step-by-step guidance on approaching cardiovascular cases using standardized techniques.

To reinforce learning, Dr. Kosalthya facilitated a demonstration, giving students the opportunity to apply their knowledge to a realistic clinical scenario. A final Q&A session allowed further clarification on OSCE expectations and clinical skill development.

FACULTY OF ARTS, HUMANITIES AND LANGUAGES CONTRIBUTION TO THE 7TH CAMBODIAN ELT CONFERENCE



On 22-23 November, the Faculty of Arts, Humanities and Languages profoundly participated in the 7th Cambodian ELT Conference hosted by the Institute of Foreign Languages, Royal University of Phnom Penh, under the theme Innovative Teaching for Sustainable Development.

Representing our commitment to advancing English education in Cambodia, our team delivered impactful workshops and presentations that showcased practical innovation and classroom relevance.

Topics included “Designing Dynamic and Effective Presentations with Interactive Tools,” “Concept-Checking Questions in Content-Based Subjects: Benefits and Application,” “Assessment Development through Rigorous Validation Process,” “Approaches to Upholding Academic Integrity in Submission-Based Assessments,” and “Reimagining Outcome-Based English Curriculum with GenAI Support: Designing Course Syllabus with Cambodian Relevance.”

Their participation not only showcased FAHL’s growing leadership in curriculum design, assessment reform, and technology-enhanced learning but also reinforced our role in shaping meaningful educational change nationwide. Through their work, our team contributed to fostering innovation, strengthening professional networks, and inspiring fellow educators to embrace new approaches that support sustainable, high-quality English education in Cambodia.

Congratulations to our dedicated presenters—Mr. Chheng Chhaina, Mr. Chhour Sophanith, Mr. Khloeng Sophanith, Mr. Kao Dara, Mr. Cheam Kokhor, Ms. Norin Rathana, and Ms. Ry Rangsey—for representing FAHL with excellence and professionalism.

E&P'S YEAR-END HIGHLIGHT REPORT 2025

Department of Engagement and Partnerships

Year-End Highlight Report 2025

Theme: "Building Quality, Foster Compliance, and Strengthen Collaboration/Synergy for Sustained Competitive Advantage"

Overview

A year of progress— the Department of Engagement and Partnerships advanced the quality perspective at UP, structured the governance activities, built the compliance frameworks, initiated collaborations, fostered the community engagement, and further strengthened the university's institutional reputation and international visibility.

The Department has made significant progress across Internal Quality Assurance, Legal and Compliance, and Relations and Partnerships. Notable achievements include the IQA Framework, UP-QA standards, curriculum review, and course code policy. Excellent performance in international rankings (WURI, AppliedHE, THE Impact Rankings), completion of tracer studies, teaching assessments, and student satisfaction surveys. Developed a digital Master Document Folder for compliance and transparency. Consolidated and digitalized the internal and external policies, regulations, and prepared 98 document templates for the university to follow.

Renewed license of UP Dental Hospital, UP Medical Center, and UP Pharmacy. Supported the Registrar's Office by resolving some key issues with the Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports, and the Ministry of Health. In partnerships, a new policy and procedure were established, mobility data was gathered and documented, engaged and activated MoUs, including requiring partnership evaluation by the responsible faculties/departments, and followed up on the new MoUs' activities. E&P has gratefully established new partnerships that generated a total of about 183,000USD income and grants.

Moving forward, priorities on top of the regular activities, E&P's plan included applying for AUN-QA and QS World Rankings, training staff and implementing UP-QA, coordinating program accreditation, identifying compliance gaps and issuing recommendations, developing webpages of Partnership and IQA, strategically activating partnerships or signed MoUs, initiating more inbound student and staff exchanges, and exploring impactful partners.

E&P is striving for academic excellence, integrity, and transparency in administration & governance, and repositioning UP to a higher level in education, quality and global recognition.

Highlights at a glance (Feb–October 2025)

183,400\$ total income & grants | 1,550\$ sponsorship received for 4 events | 50+ MoUs reviewed | 31 new partnerships | 10 training programs conducted | Rankings: WURI, THE Impact Rankings, AppliedHE | 98 UP document templates created/updated | 151 policies/procedures digitalized/updated/established | 2 groups of inbound student exchanges were hosted | Joined 3 grant applications, authored 6 publications/papers | 13,948 documents were stamped

Innovation & Impact

Developed a digital Master Document Folder for compliance and transparency.

Established the UP-QA policies, procedures, frameworks, and standards.

Initiated and implemented teaching assessment-related tools with semesterly reports

Created relevant IQA reports (e.g., Tracer Study, Training Evaluations, UP Annual Report,...)

Hosted inbound student exchange from Showa University and University of New Castle, which generates income and establishes a long-term partnership.

Built strong relationships with the Cambodia Higher Education Department, Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports, and Accreditation Committee of Cambodia.

Initiated Graduation, Alumni, and Partners (Employers) event in order to focus on students' success, UP Alumni creation, and further improve the interaction/engagement with partners and alumni.

Financial and Strategic Partnering Contributions

Generated a USD183,400 income and a grant from new partnerships.

Received sponsorship for events equals to USD1,550.

Research Promotion

Authored 6 peer-reviewed publications/papers (two of them are in Scopus-indexed journals)

Reviewed/supported 6 research proposals

Won one joint research grant (US\$20k) from the Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports

E&P Priorities for 2026

1	IQA Systems & Internal audits implementation	7	Compliance awareness and training
2	Capacity development & QA literacy	8	Digital transformation of document sources and documentation
3	International benchmarking & rankings	9	Impactful partnerships activating
4	Research and innovation promotion	10	Industry links expansion
5	Policy & Regulation lifecycle management	11	Program accreditation readiness preparation
6	Gaps of Policies/SoPs: Identifying and Improvement	12	Alumni and partners engagement



To Faculties and Departments

1. Respective faculty and department designs individual Vision and Mission
2. Respective faculty and department assesses and establishes individual Risk Register
3. Design strategies on “How to work together” to promote synergy system theory, cross-faculty/department integration and collaboration (Learning and Teaching, Quality Assurance, Research & Innovation, Curriculum Implementation & Development, Learning Outcome enhancing (e.g., Medicine x technology; Pharmacy x AI, Dentistry x Public Health... etc.)

Appreciation

The Department of Engagement and Partnerships extends heartfelt thanks to UP leadership, faculties, students, and external partners for their dedication and continued collaboration. Together, we uphold our shared commitment and core values: Respect Self • Respect Others • Develop Society.

E&P Team's Voices :

New initiatives are always our IQAU's strategic priority—keep improving existing works, and continue to take further initiatives despite facing critical challenges. __SOK Sarin.

Compliance is important; the L&C team proactively ensures UP's compliance by understanding, developing, implementing, leveraging, and controlling key processes. We move together with the same vision. _PENH Soknan
Give your full attention to your work, commit to compliance and doing what is right, welcome improvement, and prosper together. _SUN Sinan.

IQAU thrives when we commit to integrity, quality, and growth—every improvement we make today strengthens our university tomorrow. _VY Rawit

The hard work of compliance is the unseen shield that protects a company's reputation and future. _ HENG Layhong

Fear doesn't help us grow. In IQA, facing new challenges is how we improve. With patience and focus, success will come. _MATH Theary

Everything is the progress in partnerships from the moment of the greeting. There are a thousand behind the signing. We TRUST, WANT, RESPECT, SHARE and we succeed in Partnerships. _MENGCHHAY YOM Allyn

The moment we can unleash our fullest potential is when we decide to widen our horizon without fearing the obstacles that may undermine our efforts. R&P says YES to every opportunity! _ SAMRETH Sokhaknikun

Quality of work matters. _KOL Rotha

We build the future of UP TOGETHER. UP's future is OUR future. The nation's future is our next generation's future. I am grateful to have this opportunity to be part of this. _RIEN Samrithyda

MEETING BETWEEN THE FACULTY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND HUAWEI REPRESENTATIVE

The Faculty of Science and Technology recently held a fruitful meeting with a representative from Huawei to discuss ongoing collaboration and explore opportunities to further strengthen



the existing Memorandum of Understanding (MoU).

During the meeting, both parties reviewed the progress of current initiatives under the MoU, including capacity-building programs, industry-driven training, and student development opportunities. The discussion focused on identifying new areas of cooperation that align with emerging technological trends and the faculty's academic

priorities.

Huawei expressed strong commitment to supporting the faculty through enhanced technical training, certification pathways, resource sharing, and potential joint projects aimed at bridging the gap between industry and education. The Faculty of Science and Technology reaffirmed its dedication to advancing student competencies and academic excellence through meaningful partnerships.

The meeting concluded with a shared vision to deepen collaboration, expand practical learning opportunities for students, and strengthen the overall impact of the MoU. Both sides look forward to continued cooperation that contributes to innovation and human capital development.

FIRST OSCE MOCK TESTING FOR PHARMACY BATCH 10 CONDUCTED



On November 19, 2025, The Senior Club of the Faculty of Pharmacy organized the first OSCE mock testing for the 10th generation of pharmacy students to prepare for the upcoming internal exit exam at Room L41, Building L, at the University of Puthisastra from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

The aim of Mock Testing OSCE

1. The students are better prepared for the upcoming internal exit exams.
2. The students know about the actual exam process and prepare the best.
3. The students will know their strengths and weaknesses so that they can adapt well for future exams.

LABORATORY INVESTMENTS BY THE FACULTY OF PHARMACY IN 2025

The Faculty of Pharmacy, University of Puthisastra, is proud to share the significant investments made throughout 2025 to enhance our laboratory capacity and further develop our academic programs.

These upgrades are designed to elevate the practice, support advanced research, and provide students with hands-on experience using modern, industry-standard equipment.

This year, our laboratory has been equipped with new machines and facilities, including:



- Water Distillation Apparatus: 1 unit
- High-Temperature Drying Oven (LHDO-A22): 1 unit
- Biological Microscopes: 20 units
- Ex-Pharm Software
- Ex-Physio Software
- Spin down Machine: 1 unit
- Hot Plates: 2 units
- Dual-Wavelength UV Lamp (254/366 nm) with Stand: 1 unit
- HbA1c Analyzer: 1 unit
- Canon Camera: 1 unit
- High-Speed Centrifuge with Rotor: 1 unit
- Ethos X Microwave Green Extraction System: 1 unit
- Mini Horizontal Gel Electrophoresis System (DNA/RNA): 1 unit
- UV/Blue Gel Electrophoresis & Transilluminator System: 1 unit
- Multi-Type Freeze Drying System (-110°C) with Rotary Vane Pump and Chamber: 1 unit

These investments reflect our commitment to delivering high-quality practice, ensuring accurate experimentation, and supporting innovative student and faculty research.

We look forward to continuing to strengthen our programs and empower our learners with the tools they need to succeed.

HAND-ON SIMULATION TRAINING OF SHORT COURSE IN EMERGENCY MEDICINE

From 17 to 19th November 2025, the Faculty of Medicine at the University of Puthisastra successfully conducted a three-day Emergency Medicine Simulation Training and Examination, in collaboration with the Department of Emergency Medicine at Harbor-UCLA Medical Center, USA.

The course was led by a distinguished team of international trainers: Dr. David Tanen, Professor of Clinical Emergency Medicine; Dr. Mahfuz Majumdar, Assistant Clinical Professor; and Chief Residents in Emergency Medicine Dr. Aislinn McMillan, Dr. Mai Riquier, and Dr. Lisa Bell.



Throughout the program, our medical students participated in high-fidelity, hands-on simulation stations that covered a wide range of lifesaving emergency skills, including CPR with bag-valve-mask ventilation, airway management with laryngoscopy, nasal cannula and facemask, tension pneumothorax decompression with needles, chest tube insertion on manikins using chest tubes, knives, and clamps, defibrillator use, EKG interpretation on paper strips, intraosseous needle insertion, and ultrasound-guided procedures with monitor and jelly.

Students also practiced thoracentesis and pericardiocentesis using simulation models with needles, knives, and syringes, as well as childbirth simulation with clamps and vacuum suction.

The atmosphere was highly interactive and encouraging, with students expressing that they not only learned a great deal but also truly enjoyed the experience, having fun “saving lives” in simulation. Following the training, students completed both a written examination and an OSCE assessment to evaluate their knowledge, technical skills, and readiness to manage critical emergency situations.

The combination of simulation-based practice and formal examination ensured a comprehensive and impactful learning experience. The Faculty of Medicine in University of Puthisastra extends its sincere appreciation to the Harbor-UCLA Emergency Medicine team for their generous contribution to medical education in Cambodia and to all faculty members, staff, and student volunteers who supported this meaningful and impactful program.

FACULTY OF PHARMACY WELCOMES DELEGATION FROM TONGREN UNIVERSITY, CHINA

The meeting was held under the chairmanship of Prof. Ian Rouse, President and Vice-Chancellor of the University of Puthisastra, together with Prof. Chea Sin, Vice-President for Academic Affairs; Asst. Prof. Chhea Sophearom, Dean of the Faculty of Pharmacy; and Mrs.



Rien Samriththyda, Director of the Department of Engagement and Partnership.

The visit marks an exciting opportunity to strengthen academic collaboration between University of Puthisastra and Tongren University in Pharmacy Education.

During this meeting, both institutions will discuss potential areas of cooperation, including the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU), joint research initiatives, and the development of student and faculty exchange programs.

This visit represents an important step toward promoting international academic partnerships, advancing pharmaceutical education and research, fostering global learning experiences for our students and staff, and strengthening the bond between University of Puthisastra and Tongren University toward mutual academic excellence and innovation.

STUDENTS' REFLECTIONS ON THE 1ST CLINICAL PHARMACY CHALLENGE 2025



Ms. You Y: I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Faculty of Pharmacy, University of Puthisastra for organizing this program. I would like to thank Professor Sophearom Chhea, Dean of the Faculty of Pharmacy, who always helps, supports and encourages all students.

I would like to thank Professor Meng Khim for organizing this first clinical pharmacy competition, giving us the opportunity to learn more and develop our clinical pharmacy skills, and helping to guide our team to achieve this good result.

In particular, I would like to thank ZUELLIG PHARMA CAMBODIA and World Health Pharmaceutical Co., LTD. for sponsoring this competition.

Ms. Chang Sueng: Finally, it comes to the end. I win myself that brave to speak on the stage of the 1st Clinical Pharmacy Challenge 2025.

Ms. Ear Lysrong: Grateful to receive this award. Huge thanks to project manager, Asst. Prof. Sophearom Chhea and our advisor Meng Khim for guiding us every step of the way. Leaving this here as a little memorial.

FACULTY OF PHARMACY MEMBERS ATTEND PBL WORKSHOP AT UP



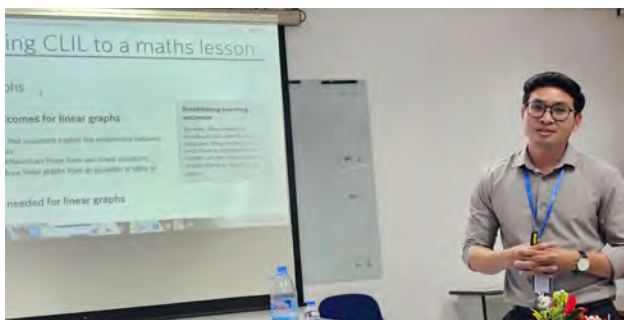
Faculty members from the Faculty of Pharmacy participated in a comprehensive workshop on Problem-Based Learning (PBL) held on 12 November 2025, organized by the Faculty of Dentistry, Puthisastra University.

The workshop was led by Professor Lakshman Samaranayake, the World Bank's Technical Advisor on PBL, with facilitation and academic support from Dr. Jeap Sampath. Throughout the session, faculty members engaged in interactive discussions, hands-on activities, and practical demonstrations illustrating how PBL strategies can be effectively integrated into health science education.

Participants explored key elements of PBL, including:

- Designing meaningful, real-world problems to stimulate critical thinking
- Facilitating student-centered learning environments
- Encouraging teamwork, self-directed learning, and reflective practice
- Assessing student performance in PBL settings

BRIDGING CONTENT AND LANGUAGE: A TRAINING BY MR. BUNNARITH



Introduction to Content and Language Integrated Learning

Mr. Ay Bunnarith, Foundation Year

Through HR monthly training, Mr. Bunnarith introduced Content and Language Integrated Learning (CLIL) as an effective approach that supports students in learning subject content while strengthening their English language skills.

As a lecturer and course coordinator, he emphasized that CLIL helps first-year students build confidence, understand technical vocabulary, and communicate more clearly.

By integrating language objectives such as key terms, sentence structures, and academic expressions into regular lessons, he highlighted how learning becomes more accessible and engaging.

According to Mr. Bunnarith, this approach enhances both content mastery and language proficiency, preparing students for future academic and professional success.

UP STAFF INVITED AS SPEAKER AT MICROBIOLOGY SYMPOSIUM 2025 AT INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY



A staff from Faculty of Pharmacy, University of Puthisastra has great honor to serve as a guest speaker at the 4th Annual Symposium on “Microbiology and Life” 2025, hosted by the Faculty of Science and Technology, International University, Phnom Penh.

The event provided an excellent platform to share knowledge, exchange experiences, and explore new perspectives in microbiology.

My sincere thanks to the organizing committee and all participants for their engagement and dedication. This meaningful experience truly reinforces the importance of continuous scientific growth and collaboration.

FACULTY OF DENTISTRY HOSTS SEMINAR ON ADVANCED ENDODONTICS



On 14 November 2025, the Faculty of Dentistry at the University of Puthisastra, under the guidance of Professor Anand Marya, successfully hosted a seminar on Endodontics, and Asst. Prof. Techly San attended the seminar, bringing together dentists and dental students from universities across Cambodia.

The seminar featured three distinguished speakers:

- Dr. Sambath Boty – CBCT Use in Endodontics
- Dr. Hy Hongthien – Disinfection in Complex Root Canal Systems
- Dr. Lim Ratanak – Endodontic Management of Difficult Cases

Their presentations offered practical insights, the latest clinical updates, evidence-based strategies, and real case demonstrations. This enriching seminar provided valuable knowledge that will benefit both current students and future dental practitioners.

ENHANCING TEACHING THROUGH PROBLEM-BASED LEARNING



Three of Faculty staff from FHSB joined the Problem-Based Learning (PBL) Skill Development Workshop on 12 November 2025, organized by the Faculty of Dentistry, UP.

This workshop was led by Professor Lakshman Samaranayake, World Bank Technical Consultant on PBL, the workshop inspired participants to explore and practice innovative, student-centered learning approaches.

APPRECIATION TO EVALUATION COMMITTEE OF THE 1ST CLINICAL PHARMACY CHALLENGE 2025



On behalf of the Faculty of Pharmacy, we sincerely thank our Evaluation Committee Dr. Uy Sokchamroeun, Head of Technical Bureau, National Health Products Quality Control Center, Ms. Choun Naren, Assistant Pharmacist Manager at Ucare Pharmacy, and Mrs. Vann Kimruon, Sub-Chief of the Clinical Technologist Department at Sunrise Japan Hospital in the 1st Clinical Pharmacy Challenge 2025.

Your valuable time, expertise, and unwavering dedication have been the foundation of this year's success. Through your fair judgment, constructive feedback, and professional guidance, you have not only selected the outstanding winners but also inspired all participating students' problem-solving and pharmaceutical care skills in real-world clinical case scenarios.

Your commitment has elevated this contest into a platform of learning, growth, and innovation motivating the next generation of pharmacists and researchers to contribute meaningfully to the clinical pharmacy field.

From all of us at UP Faculty of Pharmacy, thank you for your remarkable contributions to the success of CPC 2025!

FACULTY OF MEDICINE HOSTS LECTURER ORIENTATION FOR THE 2025-2026 ACADEMIC YEAR



The Faculty of Medicine welcomed both new and senior lecturers to a series of orientation and training programs held from 18–21 November 2025. These sessions were designed to strengthen teaching readiness, enhance digital competency, and ensure that all faculty members, both full-time and part-time, are fully aligned with UP's academic, administrative, and professional standards.

18 November 2025 – Lecturer Orientation: Strengthening Foundations for Teaching

The orientation program for all MD lecturers took place on 18 November. The afternoon began with a warm welcome from Asst. Prof. Dr. Prom Vireak, Dean of the Faculty of Medicine, who emphasized the vital role of medical educators in shaping the next generation of healthcare professionals. His message highlighted professionalism, accountability, and academic integrity as pillars of UP's medical education mission.

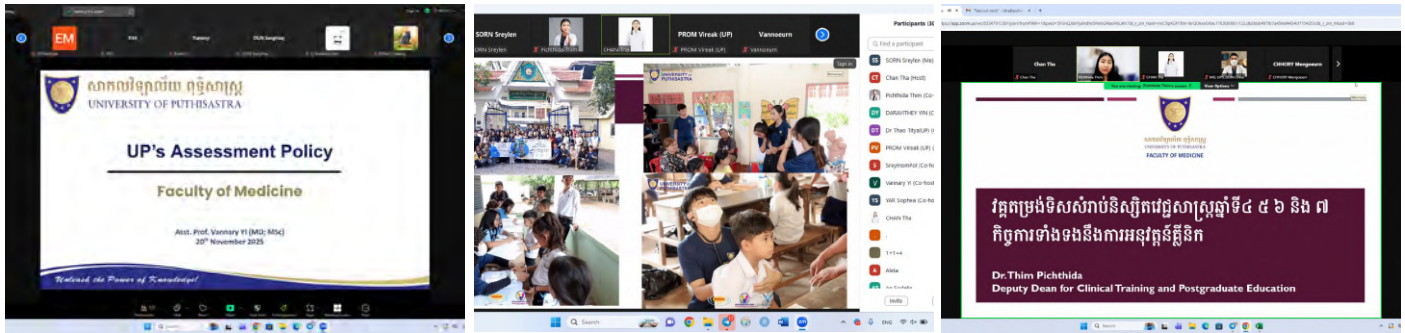
The orientation brought lecturers together to better understand the key components of teaching at UP:

1. Faculty Assessment Plan: Presented by Asst. Prof. Dr. Yi Vannary, Assistant Dean for Education, this session clarified how UP's competency-based assessment system is structured, how learning outcomes drive assessment, and how faculty can ensure fairness and transparency in evaluating student performance.
2. Thesis-Related Guidelines: Ms. Pol Sreymom, Deputy Dean for Research, walked lecturers through the MD thesis structure, supervision expectations, and research advising roles, ensuring faculty can guide students effectively through the capstone requirement.
3. HR Policy Orientation: Ms. Chhuon Samean, HR Supervisor, outlined key HR policies, lecturer responsibilities, leave and evaluation processes, and administrative expectations.
4. Academic Integrity at UP: Asst. Prof. Dr. Prom Vireak, as Chair of Academic Integrity Committee, delivered an engaging presentation on UP's Academic Integrity Policy, emphasizing its importance in maintaining professionalism and trust within the medical community.

The orientation created a space for both new and experienced lecturers to reconnect, exchange perspectives, and align themselves with UP's renewed commitment to academic excellence.

FACULTY OF MEDICINE WELCOMES MD YEAR 4-7 STUDENTS FOR ORIENTATION AND UPERP TRAINING

On November 20–21, 2025, the Faculty of Medicine at the University of Puthisastra proudly welcomed MD Year 4 to Year 7 students back to campus for a meaningful orientation. For many, this event marked the transition into a deeper and more demanding phase of their medical journey, one that brings them closer to becoming Cambodia's future physicians.



The opened speech with warm remarks from Asst. Prof. Dr. Prom Vireak, Dean of the Faculty of Medicine. His message set the tone for the day: a reminder of the professionalism, integrity, and compassion expected of every medical student, especially as they progress into advanced clinical years.

The orientation walked students through the essential pillars that will guide their academic success:

1. Understanding Policies and Expectations

- Mr. Yar Sophea, Registrar and Admissions Coordinator, explained UP's payment policies, along with key Ministry of Health regulations.

2. UP Assessment and Academic Integrity Policy

- Asst. Prof. Dr. Yi Vannary, Assistant Dean for Education, laid out UP's learning policy, FoM semester examination processes in the new academic year.
- Academic integrity policy was emphasized once again by Asst. Prof. Dr. Prom Vireak, as Chair of Academic Integrity Committee, the who reminded students that honesty in their work is the foundation of trust in the medical profession.

3. Student and Clinical Affairs

- Asst. Prof. Dr. Thao Titya, Assistant Dean for Student Affairs, provided important guidance on requesting leave and appealing examination results, ensuring transparency and student support.
- Dr. Thim Pichthida, Deputy Dean for Clinical Affairs, offered a practical overview of clinical duties, on-site protocols, and the professionalism required in hospitals.

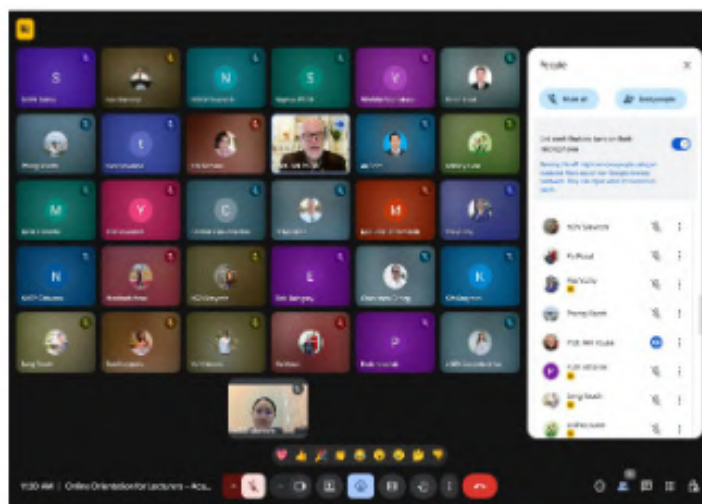
4. Thesis Workflow

- Ms. Pol Sreymom, Deputy Dean for Research, introduced the structure and expectations of the MD thesis, an important milestone marking each student's academic maturity.

This year's orientation was more than a schedule of presentations, it was a collective reminder of the support, structure, and guidance UP provides to its medical students. As MD Year 4 to Year 7 students step into a more challenging stage of their training, the Faculty of Medicine stands firmly behind them, offering not only knowledge but also mentorship, values, the tools necessary for success and strengthened by preparation, the next generation of UP medical students is ready to take on the journey ahead.

LECTURER ORIENTATION FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2025-2026

The University of Puthisastra hosted the online lecturer orientation for the academic year 2025-2026 on Saturday, 22 November 2025. The event brought together lecturers from the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery as well as other academic programs to prepare for the new academic year.



The session opened with a warm and encouraging welcome from UP President, Prof. Ian Rose, who expressed his deep appreciation for the dedication and contributions of all lecturers. He highlighted the essential role of faculty in strengthening teaching quality and reaffirmed the university's commitment to supporting educators as they guide students toward academic and professional excellence.

Following the president's remarks, Mrs. Tun Sreypeov, Dean of the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery, delivered an important message outlining expectations for the new academic cycle.

She emphasized the importance of consistent adherence to academic standards, active student engagement, timely course preparation, and effective coordination across departments. She also encouraged lecturers to model professionalism, uphold UP's values, and continually contribute to improving the learning environment.

Throughout the orientation, lecturers received comprehensive updates on academic policies, teaching procedures, curriculum implementation, and institutional expectations. These updates ensure that all faculty members are fully informed, aligned, and prepared to deliver high-quality, student-centered education in the upcoming academic year.

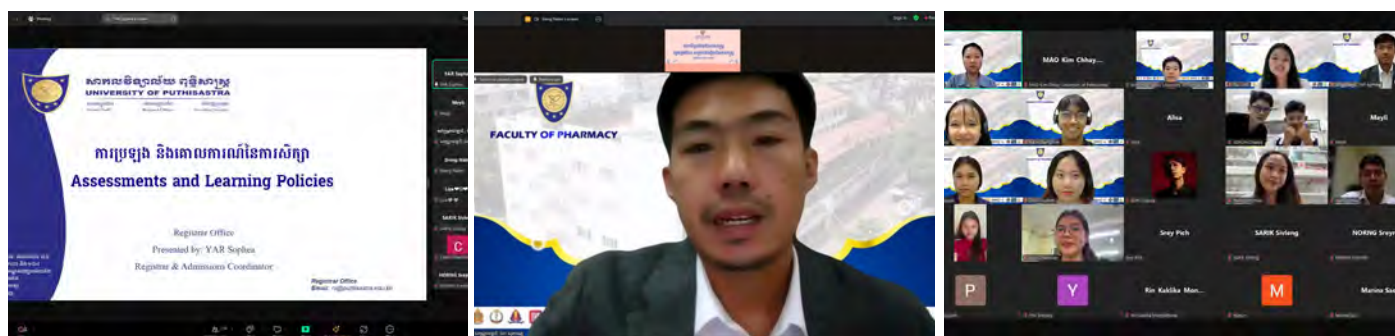
The University of Puthisastra extends its sincere gratitude to all lecturers for their active participation and ongoing commitment to strengthening teaching and learning across the institution.

Hashtags: #UniversityOfPuthisastra #MidwiferyEducation #TeachingExcellence
#LecturerOrientation #UPCommunity

ORIENTATION COURSE FOR PHARMACY STUDENTS AND MASTER'S STUDENTS OF THE FACULTY OF PHARMACY, AY 2026

On Thursday, 13th November 2025, the Faculty of Pharmacy, University of Puthisastra (UP), conducted an online orientation session for Bachelor and Master of Pharmacy students through Zoom.

The session began and concluded with opening and closing remarks by Asst. Prof. Chhea Sophearom, Dean of the Faculty of Pharmacy, with the participation of faculty professors and staff. The program included presentations on assessment policies, study fees and thesis process, leave and resit exam procedures, community outreach and internships, research and innovation activities, and student clubs and volunteering opportunities.



A video presentation also showcased the Faculty's laboratories and new facilities.

The Faculty of Pharmacy warmly welcomes all our students to the Academic Year 2025–2026 and congratulates them on taking the next step in their academic journey. Choose UP and Be Ready for Your Success!!!

CPD TRAINING ON HEALTH PROFESSIONAL LAW AND PHARMACIST ETHICS



Phnom Penh, Sunday, October 11, 2016, corresponding to November 16, 2025 — The Faculty of Pharmacy of Puthisastra University received permission from the Council of the National Pharmacists' Association to organize a Continuing Professional Development (CPD) and Promotion Training Course via the Zoom virtual platform.

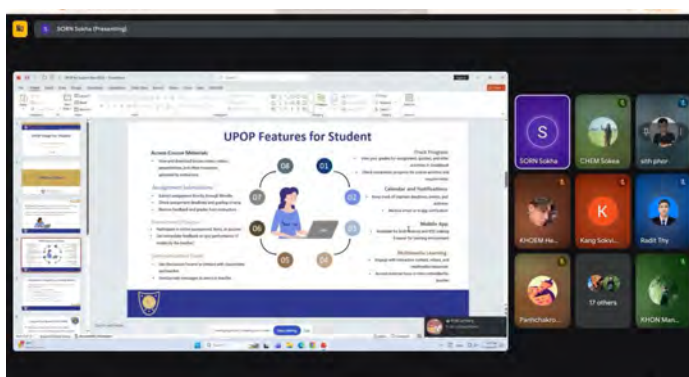
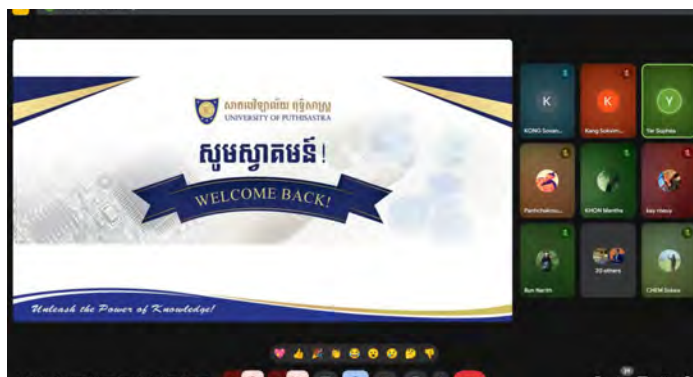
This session was conducted under the theme “Law on the Management of Health Professionals and the Sub-Decree on the Code of Ethics for Pharmacists.” The program was honored by the presence of Asst. Prof. Va Sokkea, Vice-Chairman of the Pharmacy Council of Cambodia, representing H.E. Ban Butta, Undersecretary of State of Ministry of Health and President of the Pharmacy Council of Cambodia.

Also in attendance were Asst. Prof. Chhea Sophearom, Dean of the Faculty of Pharmacy, University of Puthisastra; Ph. Mao Daret, President of the Council of the Pharmacists Association of Region 1 and President of the Health Regulatory Office, Department of Health of the Phnom Penh Administration; along with a total of 326 pharmacists from the capital and provinces.

The CPD and Promotion Training Course aims to strengthen the knowledge and professional competence of all members of the Cambodian Pharmacists Association. Specifically, it seeks to enhance understanding of the Law on the Management of Health Professionals and the Code of Ethics for Pharmacists, while promoting active engagement in improving the pharmaceutical sector to ensure high-quality services, patient trust, and patient safety.

ICT STUDENTS ORIENTATION

The Faculty of Science and Technology successfully organized an orientation session for Information Technology (IT) students on 21st November 2025. The event aimed to prepare students for the upcoming academic term, ensure a smooth transition into their studies,



and provide essential information regarding academic requirements, support services, and learning resources.

The orientation concluded with an open Q&A session, allowing students to seek clarification and gain a clearer understanding of their academic journey ahead. The Faculty of Science and Technology is committed to supporting IT students and ensuring they begin the new semester with confidence and readiness.

LECTURER ORIENTATION FOR THE NEW ACADEMIC YEAR 2025-2026 FROM FACULTY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY



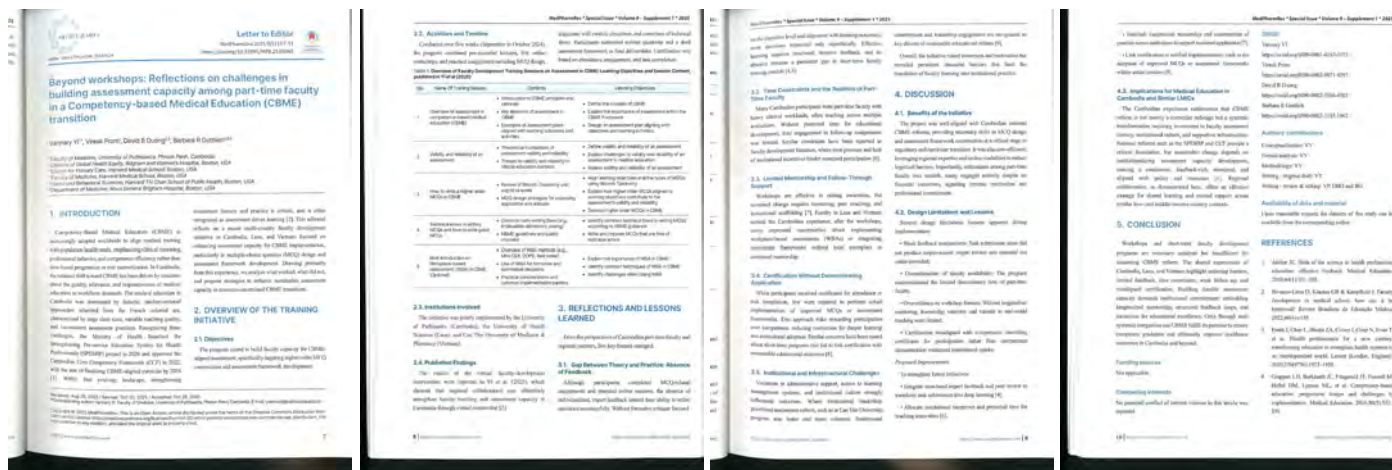
On 22 November 2025, The Faculty of Science and Technology, University of Puthisastra, has conducted an online Lecturer Orientation session focusing on UP assessment learning policies, individual and group assignment setting up, rubric and manual grading setting up, and new academic plan to ensure all lecturers are ready to provide effective teaching to our students.

The orientation was participated by our lecturers, Faculty of Science and Technology's staff, HR representative, IT representative, and QLTS representatives.

We would like to thank you for everyone's participation in taking part in this orientation; it improves a lot regarding the teaching quality in the University of Puthisastra.

FACULTY OF MEDICINE CELEBRATES TWO NEW INTERNATIONAL PUBLICATIONS ON CBME REFORM

The University of Puthisastra (UP) is proud to announce that two new peer-reviewed research articles from the Faculty of Medicine have been officially published in the MedPharmRes Journal in October 2025. These publications represent another milestone in UP's ongoing national leadership in Competency-Based Medical Education (CBME) reform and faculty development.



Both articles were co-authored by Asst. Prof. Dr. Yi Vannary, Assistant Dean for Education, and Asst. Prof. Dr. Prom Vireak, Dean of the Faculty of Medicine, reflecting UP's commitment to strengthening medical education through research-driven innovation.

1. Integrating Case-Based Learning in a Cambodian Medical School: A Three-Cycle PDSA Study of Curriculum Reform

Published: October 28, 2025
DOI: 10.32895/MPR.25.00066

This paper documents UP's innovative use of the Plan-Do-Study-Act (PDSA) model to gradually implement Case-Based Learning (CBL) across the pre-clinical curriculum. Over three structured cycles, the Faculty of Medicine introduced CBL, evaluated its effectiveness, and refined implementation strategies.

Key achievements highlighted in the article include:

- Rising student engagement and improved clinical reasoning
- Increased faculty confidence in active learning facilitation
- Development of locally relevant clinical cases
- Sustainable integration of CBL into multiple courses

The study's findings demonstrate how a structured, evidence-based change model can successfully support curriculum reform in resource-limited settings.

2. Reflections on Challenges in Building Assessment Capacity Among Part-Time Faculty in CBME Transition

Published: October 26, 2025
DOI: 10.32895/MPR.25.00065

This article explores the real-world challenges faced by medical schools when transitioning from traditional content-based teaching to CBME, particularly the difficulties in strengthening assessment capacity among part-time clinical faculty.

Through reflective analysis and lessons learned from UP's CBME implementation journey, the authors highlight:

- Common barriers in MCQ development and competency-based assessment
- Time and workload constraints among part-time faculty
- The need for structured training, mentorship, and standardized assessment tools

- Strategies UP has used to build sustainable assessment practices

This study contributes important insights for medical schools in low- and middle-income countries (LMICs) seeking to strengthen assessment systems during CBME transformation.

Strengthening UP's Visibility in Global Medical Education Research

These two publications further elevate UP's presence on the international stage, showcasing the faculty's dedication to educational excellence, innovation, and scholarly contribution.

They reflect UP's long-term commitment to:

- Advancing CBME in Cambodia
- Building faculty capacity in assessment and teaching
- Improving the quality of medical education for future generations

The Faculty of Medicine congratulates Dr. Yi Vannary and Dr. Prom Vireak on their outstanding contributions and looks forward to continued advancements in research and educational innovation.

WELCOMING YEAR 2 DENTAL STUDENTS: ORIENTATION HIGHLIGHTS AND KEY UPDATES



The poster features a large red and white geometric design. On the left, the text 'Year 2 Dental Student Orientation Program' is prominently displayed. To the right is the Dentistry logo, which is a shield with a star and a caduceus. Below the title, a list of topics for the orientation program is provided. A central illustration shows a male student in a white shirt and blue vest, sitting cross-legged and pointing upwards while holding a laptop. At the bottom left, there is a QR code and a red button that says 'Call Us For Details'. At the bottom right, the location, date, and time of the event are listed, along with the university's website for more information.

**Year 2
Dental
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Join the Orientation Program and kickstart your university life with a bang. Discover everything you need to know about your new home.

- Introduction of Faculty & Staff
- Overview Dentistry Program
- Academic Integrity Policy
- UPOP Overview
- Examination, Assessment, Policies, and Payments

Call Us For Details

Location: **H Hall**
Date: November 25, 2025
Time: 1:30 PM – 5:00 PM
More Information at www.puthisastra.edu.kh

The Faculty of Dentistry hosted its Year 2 Dental Student Orientation Program on November 25, 2025, at H Hall, welcoming students back with a comprehensive introduction to their academic journey ahead. The session provided an engaging overview of the Dentistry Program, allowing students to meet faculty and staff while gaining clarity on essential academic policies and expectations.

Key topics included the Academic Integrity Policy, UPOP overview, and detailed explanations of examination, assessment, and payment procedures. Designed to equip students with the knowledge and confidence needed for success, the orientation served as an important foundation for a productive and enriching academic year.

CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS 2026 – FACULTY OF DENTISTRY, UNIVERSITY OF PUTHISAstra



The Faculty of Dentistry at the University of Puthisastra (UP) is pleased to announce the Call for Volunteers 2026. We are seeking dedicated and enthusiastic individuals to support our upcoming events and ongoing projects throughout the year. Your participation, time, and commitment will contribute meaningfully to community engagement and the success of faculty activities, creating a positive impact for both students and the broader community.

Volunteers will enjoy a wide range of benefits, including opportunities for community enhancement, personal growth, and skill development in organizing. Participation also provides valuable networking opportunities and access to engaging activities organized by the Faculty of Dentistry.

In addition, volunteers will receive a Certificate of Volunteerism recognizing their contribution. Active involvement in workshops and events allows participants to gain dental-related knowledge and expertise, and all volunteers will be invited to attend Volunteerism Day at the end of the year.

The volunteer program runs for a total duration of one year, with flexible scheduling to accommodate diverse student commitments. Volunteers may join various events, conferences, seminars, and faculty-led activities based on their availability. All hours of participation will be recorded and counted accordingly.

Interested individuals are encouraged to register before the deadline on 12 December 2025. For more information, please contact the Faculty of Dentistry at 087 808 416 or 017 808 416, or visit us at #55, Street 180–184, Sangkat Boeung Raing, Khan Daun Penh, Phnom Penh, Cambodia. Registration is also available via the QR code provided in the announcement.

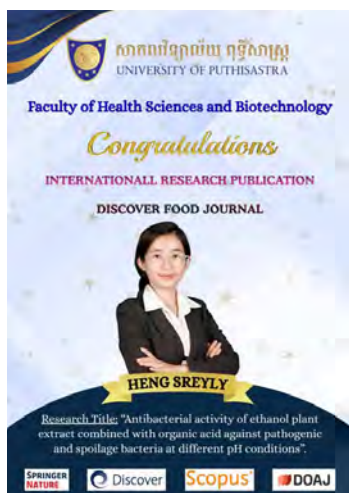
STUDY TOUR TO EXPLORE INDUSTRY PRACTICES AT KAKSEKAR COMPANY



The Faculty of Pharmacy is organizing a Tour Visit to Kaksekar, an opportunity for Year 3 and Year 4 students to explore real industry practices. The visit will take place on 18th December 2025, from 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm, at Kruos Village, Samrong District, Takeo Province, with free transportation provided.

Students will be able to see firsthand insights into production processes, quality assurance systems, and overall company operations, helping them connect classroom knowledge with real-world applications. This visit also aims to strengthen academic-industry collaboration and enhance students' practical understanding of agribusiness and product development. Students can register for free to join this Tour visit.

CELEBRATING RESEARCH SUCCESS OF OUR FHSB STAFF



We are proud to celebrate Mrs. Heng Sreyly's latest research publication in Discover Food journal, an international peer-reviewed Q2 journal, acknowledging the kind support of the University of Puthisastra (UP). Her work advances knowledge in food microbiology and public health research.

Join us in congratulating her on this achievement!

TOMORROW—WHO WILL WIN THE 1ST CLINICAL PHARMACY CHALLENGE 2025?



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MEETING BETWEEN THE FACULTY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND FIRST CAMBODIA CO., LTD

The Faculty of Science and Technology held a fruitful meeting with First Cambodia Co., Ltd to explore potential areas of collaboration aimed at enhancing academic quality, practical learning, and industry engagement for students.



During the discussion, both parties shared insights on current trends in the technology sector and identified opportunities where joint efforts could create meaningful impact. Key areas of interest included internship placements, industry-led training, guest lectures, collaborative projects, and future partnership initiatives that support skill development and career readiness for students.

The meeting concluded with a mutual commitment to continue discussions and formalize areas of cooperation that would contribute to strengthening the link between academia and industry.

This engagement marks an important step in expanding the Faculty's network with leading technology companies and creating more opportunities for students and staff.

UP STRENGTHENS ACADEMIC INNOVATION THROUGH RESEARCH CAPACITY-BUILDING PARTICIPATION



Mr. Techly San, Assistant Professor at the University of Puthisastra, proudly represented UP in a three-hour research capacity-building workshop titled “Understanding the Foundations of Interdisciplinary Research: Principles, Strategies, and Insights.”

Conducted by Dr. George Chigas on November 13, 2025, at the Extraordinary Chambers in the

Courts of Cambodia (ECCC) and via Zoom, the workshop brought together scholars committed to strengthening interdisciplinary research practices in Cambodia.

Organized by the Center for Khmer Studies and supported by the Australian Government through The Asia Foundation's Ponlok Chomnes II program, this initiative aims to advance data-driven dialogue and research excellence across the nation. Techly's participation reflects UP's ongoing commitment to fostering academic growth and research capability among its faculty.

FACULTY OF DENTISTRY AT THE UNIVERSITY OF PUTHISAstra RECEIVES GRANT FROM IAAHEH TO INITIATE INTERNATIONAL ACCREDITATION



The Faculty of Dentistry at the University of Puthisastra (UP) is proud to announce that it has been awarded a prestigious USD 16,000 grant from the Indonesian Accreditation Agency for Higher Education in Health (IAAHEH) to support the faculty's journey toward international accreditation. This competitive grant, awarded in early 2025, underscores UP's growing reputation as a regional leader in quality dental education,

research, and clinical excellence.

A Strategic Milestone for UP Dentistry:

The grant was secured through a comprehensive proposal submitted by Professor Anand Marya, Dean of the Faculty of Dentistry, whose leadership has been instrumental in advancing UP's global engagement and academic quality initiatives. Professor Marya's application highlighted the faculty's strong commitment to international benchmarks, its rapid academic development over the past decade, and its dedication to producing globally competent dental graduates.

Receiving the IAAHEH grant marks a significant milestone for UP, providing both recognition and financial support to initiate a structured accreditation process beginning in November 2025. The international accreditation will benchmark UP's curriculum, clinical training systems, quality assurance frameworks, and academic governance against world-class standards.

*Strengthening Quality Assurance and Global Recognition

The international accreditation process is a crucial step in UP's long-term vision of becoming a leading dental education hub in Southeast Asia. The grant will directly support:

Comprehensive curriculum review and alignment with ASEAN and international dental education standards

Capacity building for academic and clinical staff through training on accreditation standards
Quality assurance framework enhancement, including documentation, internal audits, and evaluation systems
Clinical and simulation facility upgrading to meet international requirements

Support for external reviewers' visits and preparatory workshops

These activities will ensure that UP Dentistry not only meets but exceeds globally recognized benchmarks for undergraduate dental education.

*UP's Rising Regional Profile

Over recent years, the Faculty of Dentistry has achieved unprecedented growth and global visibility—marked by exponential increases in Scopus-indexed research outputs, new international partnerships, digital transformation in teaching and clinical practice, and consistent student success in academic and community initiatives. The IAAHEH grant further validates UP's dedication to continuous improvement and innovation in dental education.

*Professor Anand Marya expressed his gratitude and vision, noting:

"This grant from IAAHEH is a testament to UP's commitment to excellence, global competitiveness, and responsible healthcare education. It will strengthen our position as a regional leader and ensure that our students receive an education aligned with the highest international standards."

*Looking Ahead: Accreditation Kick-Off in November 2025

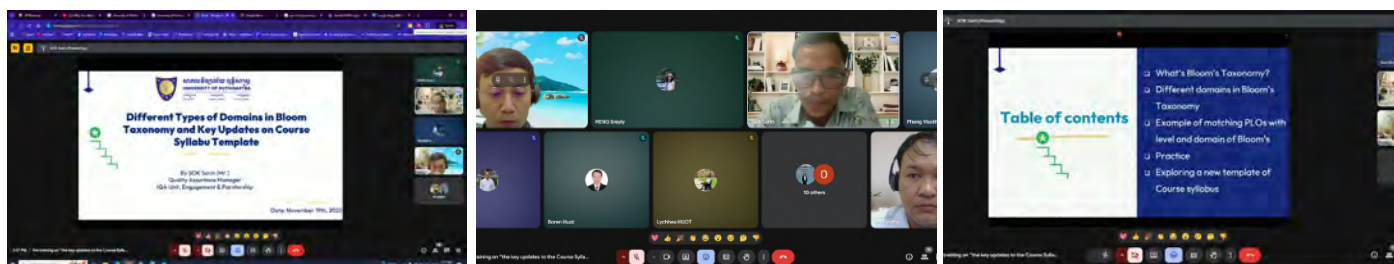
The faculty will commence the formal accreditation preparation phase in November 2025, which will involve strategic planning sessions, stakeholder engagement, workshops with international consultants, and comprehensive assessments across academic and clinical departments.

The accreditation process will serve as a catalyst for innovation, modernization, and institutional strengthening across the entire faculty.

*A Commitment to Excellence:

The Faculty of Dentistry extends its appreciation to IAAHEH for this meaningful support and looks forward to a productive accreditation journey that will elevate the quality, accountability, and global standing of dental education in Cambodia.

TRAINING ON KEY UPDATES OF THE COURSE SYLLABUS (AY 2025-2026)



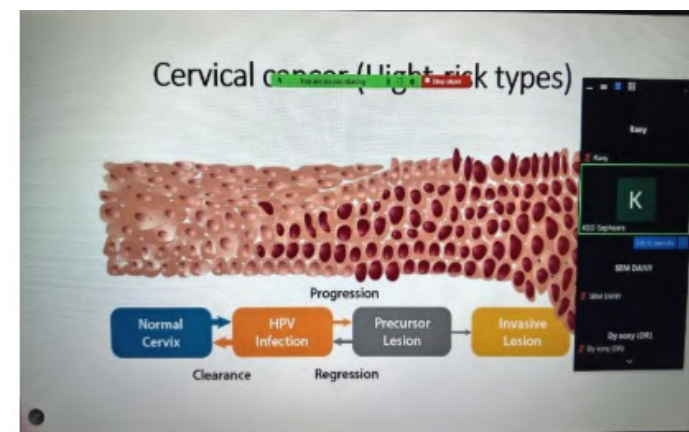
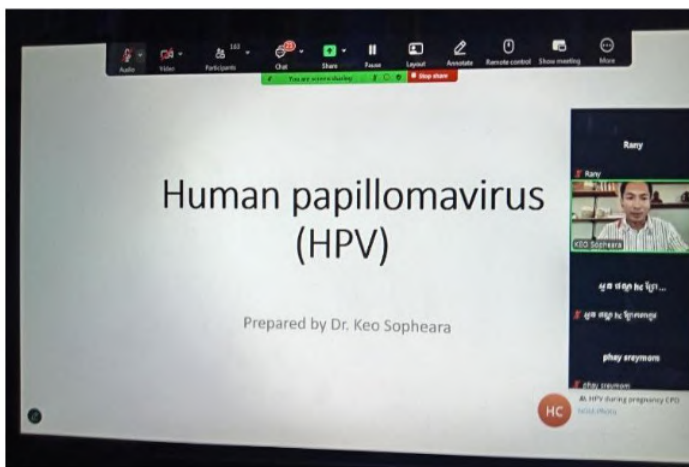
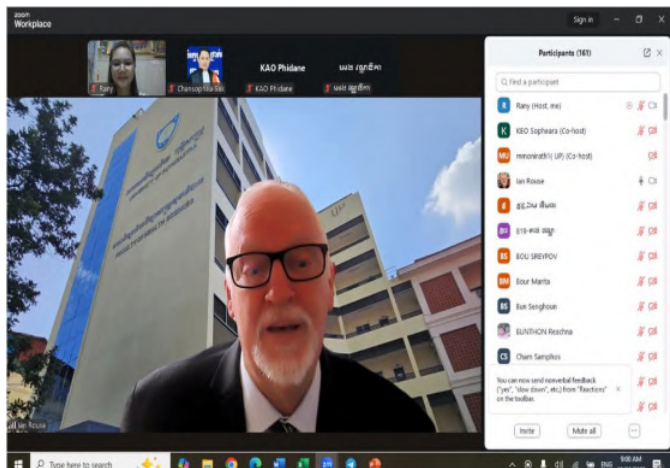
On 19 November 2025 afternoon (2:00–4:00 PM), the faculty lecturers from ADL and BBL Programs have attended the online training on “key updates to the course syllabus” via Google Meet.

The session highlighted important improvements to support effective teaching and learning to our students, including:

- Integration of domain-skill levels for each program learning outcome (PLO)

- Addition of lesson learning outcomes (llos) for all lessons
 - Inclusion of formative assessment methods in every session
 - Guidance on the use of the updated course syllabus
- We extend our appreciation to Mr. SOK Sarin, Quality Assurance Manager, for an informative and practical presentation.

MIDWIFERY CPD: STRENGTHENING KNOWLEDGE ON HPV PREVENTION AND CARE



The Midwifery Department of the University of Puthisastra conducted a Continuing Professional Development session on Human Papillomavirus (HPV) on 25 October 2025 in Phnom Penh.

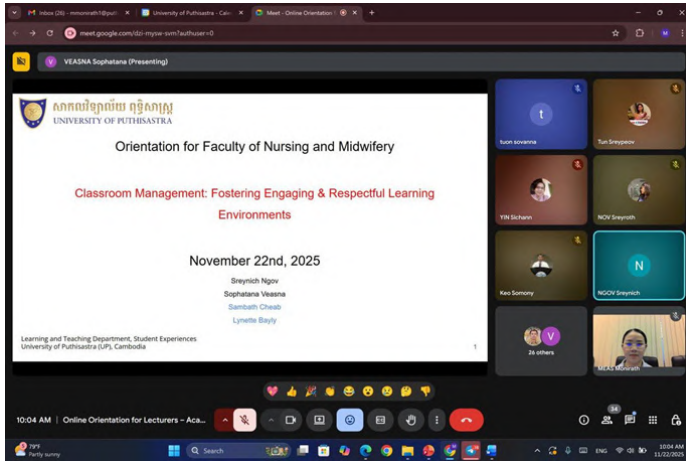
The session aimed to strengthen the knowledge and skills of midwifery and nursing professionals on HPV infection, including its prevention, screening, vaccination, and its impact on women's reproductive health, particularly during pregnancy.

This CPD event provided an important opportunity for participants to update their clinical understanding of HPV and discuss practical approaches to improving cervical cancer prevention in Cambodia.

It also created a space for midwives and nurses to exchange experiences, share best practices, and reflect on their essential role in promoting health education and awareness in the community.

The Midwifery Department extends its appreciation to Professor Ian Rouse, President of the University of Puthisastra and Vice Chancellor, for delivering inspiring opening remarks. Special thanks are also extended to guest speaker Dr. Keo Sopheara and to all participants for their active engagement and their commitment to advancing women's health through continuous learning and professional development.

ONLINE LECTURER ORIENTATION FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2025–2026



The University of Puthisastra (UP) successfully conducted its Online Lecturer Orientation for the Academic Year 2025–2026 on Saturday, 22 November 2025.

The event brought together lecturers from the Faculty of Nursing & Midwifery along with colleagues from other faculties/departments, reinforcing a unified preparation for the upcoming academic year.

The orientation opened with an inspiring welcome from UP President, Prof. Ian Rose, President and Vice-Chancellor of UP, who expressed his deep appreciation for lecturers' dedication and hard work throughout the past year.

He highlighted the crucial role of educators in enhancing academic quality and reaffirmed UP's strong commitment to supporting faculty as they lead students toward academic success and professional excellence.

Following the President's address, Asst. Prof. Tun Sreypeov, Dean of the Faculty of Nursing & Midwifery, delivered key messages outlining expectations for the new academic cycle.

She emphasized the importance of maintaining high academic standards, ensuring active student engagement, preparing courses in a timely manner, and strengthening collaboration across departments.

She also encouraged lecturers to consistently model professionalism, uphold UP's core values, and contribute to a positive and effective learning environment.

Throughout the session, lecturers received important updates on academic policies, teaching procedures, curriculum implementation, and institutional expectations.

These updates ensure that all faculty members are aligned, informed, and ready to deliver high-quality, student-centered education in the year ahead.

The University of Puthisastra extends its sincere gratitude to all lecturers for their active participation and for their continued commitment to strengthening teaching and learning across the institution. Together, we look forward to a productive, impactful, and successful Academic Year 2025–2026.