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UP'S MEDICAL LABORATORY TECHNOLOGY STUDENTS START INTERNATIONAL ELECTIVE EXCHANGE PROGRAM AT THE UNIVERSITY OF PUTRA MALAYSIA, MALAYSIA

On Friday, 08 November 2024, Mr. Say Sinith, Laboratory Program Manager of Department of Laboratory Science met and provided advices to 4 students majoring in Medical Laboratory Technology, year 3, batch 11 at the University of Puthisastra (UP), who are going to start their International Elective Exchange Program at the University of Putra Malaysia (UPM), Malaysia.

The purpose of the international exchange is to strengthen and expand students' knowledge in both theory and practice and to develop communication skills and cultural exchanges between the two countries.

This International Elective Exchange Program will last for 1 month in UPM starting from 11 November to 06 December 2024.

WHAT'S UP ON CAMPUS

- 29 DECEMBER 2024 | PEACE DAY IN CAMBODIA

THE SENIOR CLUB OF THE FACULTY OF PHARMACY, UP,

ORGANIZED ORIENTATION FOR THE UPCOMING INTERNAL EXIT EXAM FOR THE 5TH YEAR PHARMACY STUDENTS

On October 21, 25, and 28, 2024, the Senior Club of the Faculty of Pharmacy at the University of Puthisastra organized orientation sessions under the two honorary speakers Ms. Khai Pechpisey and Ms. Kim MuyE, 8th generation alumni pharmacy students. This orientation was focused on stations 1 to 3 and was also attended by pharmacy staff and 90 fifth-year pharmacy students.

Station 1: Counseling and Communication

This station focused on evaluating students' ability to communicate effectively with customers, including counseling and overall communication skills. Additionally, it assessed their clinical and pharmaceutical knowledge.

Station 2: Review of prescribed medicines/Screening new prescriptions

This station aimed to test students' ability to identify drug therapy problems as well as evaluate the ethical and legal aspects of prescriptions.

Station 3: Patient consultation

This station aimed to assess the student's ability to effectively consult with patients seeking advice or medication and to gather essential information to identify potential diseases and danger signs before providing any recommendations or dispensing medication.

These sessions were designed to ensure that the students are well-prepared for the internal exit exams, with a strong emphasis on both practical and ethical aspects of pharmacy practice.

LET'S GET TO KNOW BIODERMA'S ATODERM RANGE WITH UP PHARMACY

On October 25, 2024, UP Pharmacy staff had the opportunity to explore the Atoderm product range with Ms. Suon Sonica, a Bioderma Trainer. BIODERMA's Atoderm product range is specifically formulated for dry, very dry, irritated to atopic skin in tropical or humid regions like Cambodia. These products are delicate to restoring the skin barrier and providing lasting soothing effects.

The Atoderm product range includes Atoderm Huile de ouche, Atoderm Intensive gel moussant, Atoderm Intensive baume, Atoderm Intensive gel-crème, and Atoderm Stick lèvres. Dermatologists often recommended these products for people experiencing pruritus, as seen in conditions like atopic dermatitis, psoriasis, urticaria, allergic contact eczema, and senile pruritus, usually in conjunction with medications.

If you have very dry skin, consider incorporating the Atoderm product range into your daily skincare routine to keep your skin moisturized and healthy, especially during Cambodia's dry season from October to April.

MEKONG MAJOR AND CAREER FESTIVAL

"Three staff members from Faculty of Pharmacy of the University of Puthisastra attended the Mekong Major and Career Festival at ChipMong Mega Mall 271.

"From October 26-28, 2024, three staff members from Faculty of Pharmacy of the University of Puthisastra attended the Mekong Major and Career Festival at ChipMong Mega Mall 271. The event aimed to inspire and guide young talent in exploring career paths within the Mekong region's thriving sectors. Our team connected with aspiring students and professionals, sharing insights into the pharmacy field and highlighting opportunities at the University of Puthisastra.

THE FIRST OSCE MOCK TESTING (OBJECTIVE STRUCTURED CLINICAL EXAMINATION)

On November 06, 2024, The Senior Club of the Faculty of Pharmacy organized the first OSCE mock testing for the 9th generation of pharmacy students to prepare for the upcoming internal exit exam at Hall B, Building B, 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.

ORIENTATION COURSE ON SEARCH AND EVALUATION OF DRUG INFORMATION IN STATION 5

Monday, November 8, 2024, which is November 4, 2024,
The Senior Students Club organized an orientation session under the honorary speaker, Mr. Heim Meng Khim, a full-time lecturer at the Faculty of Pharmacy on Search and Evaluation on Drug Information in Station 5, for more than 70 of the 5th-year students to be competent enough to prepare for the upcoming internal exams.
The station aims to assess students' ability to research, find, and evaluate information on medicines through the medicine books provided.
The ability of students to be assessed:
Knowing how to use medicine books to search for the following information about medicines:
Dosage forms

- Therapeutic class
- Pharmacodynamics
- Indications
- How to use (administration)
- Dosage and duration of treatment
- Side effects
- Contraindications
- Drug interactions
- Precautions
- Storage of medicines

UPOP TRAINING AT FACULTY OF PHARMACY FOR NEW SEMESTER.

The faculty of pharmacy, University of Puthisastra conduced UPOP Training for Upcoming Semester. This training session for lecturers was held on November 5, 2024 via Google Meet, this training was designed to strengthen lecturers' skills in utilizing the UPOP system for effective digital learning management in academic year. The session opened with remarks from Assistant Professor Chhea Sophearom, Assistant Dean of Pharmacy, emphasizing the significance of digital tools in enriching the academic experience. The training was led by ROEUNG Manith, a Digital Learning Facilitator, who introduced key UPOP functions such as Managing Question Banks, Arranging Questions into Quizzes, and Manual Grading. He also guided lecturers through advanced features, including creating Essays, Matching, and drag-drop image Questions, setting up assignments, grouping students, and using rubrics to streamline assessments.This initiative reflects UP's commitment to supporting its faculty and providing students with a robust and innovative educational environment. By empowering lecturers with practical digital tools, UP continues to lead in educational advancement and teaching excellence.

ENGLISH LECTURER ACHIEVES CERTIFICATION IN GENERATIVE AI FOR EDUCATION

Our lecturer, Ly Seyha, from the Faculty of English Excellence and Employability has successfully completed a two-hour Generative AI for Education online course.

Throughout the course, he discovered useful strategies for working with AI tools and practiced using those tools to plan and update lessons, prepare instructional materials and manage administrative tasks. The course begins with a definition of AI and numerous everyday examples. He learned how AI models provide the underlying capabilities of AI tools. He also discovered many ways in which AI can be a unique teaching assistant for educators- from generating lesson plans to tailoring learning materials to reading levels to adding engaging examples for teaching and learning activities.

During the course, he also learned about the art of prompting, including how to incorporate effective AI prompts and request chain-of-thought outputs. He then learned why evaluating outputs, fact-checking, and responsible practices are all crucial. By understanding the strengths and limitations of AI tools, he has become more well-prepared to use AI thoughtfully in his teaching practice.

THE CLERKSHIP PRESENTATION OF UP'S SCIENCE RESEARCH, ACADEMIC YEAR 2023-2024

On Friday, 8 November 2024, Science Research students Year 2, batch 3, and Year 3, batch 2, presented their "Clerkship's Activities" which were done in the private and public partners of the University of Puthisastra (UP). In semester 2, academic year 2023-2024, Science Research students completed their clerkship for 4 weeks at each institute including Cho Ray Phnom Penh Hospital, Prah Ketomealea Hospital, Khmer Soviet Friendship Hospital, National Pediatric Hospital, Institut Pasteur du Cambodge (IPC), Pharma Product Manufacturing (PPM) and Chea Chamnan Laboratoire Co., ltd. The event was held at the UP's KOSPO meeting room, with the participation of staff, and teachers of the Faculty of Health Sciences and Biotechnology.For more information about Science Research Program, join the Telegram Channel via link: https://t.me/+VYAjSYseT4A3ZjM1

TRAINING SESSION ON MYCOTOXINS

Mrs. Sokunvary is from the faculty of pharmacy, University of Puthisastra, recently conducted an informative training session on mycotoxins, held in an informal setting in the kitchen, to provide foundational knowledge about these harmful compounds. The session covered essential topics, beginning with an introduction to mycotoxins, which are toxic compounds produced by certain types of fungi that grow on food and agricultural products.

We discussed the factors that contribute to food contamination by mycotoxins, such as high humidity, poor storage conditions, and improper handling, which allow these fungi to thrive and produce toxins. Various types of mycotoxins were examined, including aflatoxins, ochratoxins, and fumonisins, each associated with different health risks.

She explained that specific fungi, like Aspergillus and Penicillium, are the primary producers of these toxins, contaminating foods like grains, nuts, and coffee. Additionally, we explored the adverse health effects associated with consuming mycotoxin-contaminated foods, which range from acute poisoning symptoms, such as nausea and vomiting, to long-term effects, including cancer, immune suppression, and organ damage.

The training aimed to raise awareness of mycotoxins and equip participants with knowledge on minimizing the risk of food contamination, ultimately contributing to healthier dietary choices and safer food handling practices.

MOCK INTERNAL EXIT EXAM OF ADL YEAR 3 BATCH 11

On 7th-November-2024 the Department of Laboratory Sciences, University of Puthisastra has conducted first Mock Internal Exit Exam of MCQs and OSCE for medical Laboratory technology student year 3 generation 11th by using Computer based system.

In the purpose of building up student's capacity and to measuring up their ability in order to get them to be readied for the Exit Exam and National Exit Exam coming up.
For more information about the program: Please contact us via telegram group ADL Information UP:
https://t.me/+ZCFgJCnpqQI1ZDFI

13 STUDENTS GRADUATION FOR DYSPHAGIA SHORT COURSE

The University of Puthisastra celebrated the graduation ceremony for the short course on dysphagia on June 2, 2024. This ceremony marks a significant achievement for healthcare professionals in Phnom Penh who have successfully completed this specialized program. Designed for nurses, doctors, physiotherapists, and other practitioners, the course focused on equipping students with essential knowledge and skills in assessing and managing oropharyngeal dysphagia. The graduation will serve as an opportunity to honor the hard work and dedication these professionals have shown, balancing rigorous study with their existing clinical commitments.

The ceremony will include a formal address from university faculty and program directors, who will recognize the importance of dysphagia management in improving patient quality of life. Graduates have learned about dysphagia's anatomy, physiology, and associated complications, gaining the confidence to apply evidence-based approaches in their practice. University leadership, along with peers and family members, will be present to applaud the graduates' accomplishments and to acknowledge the positive impact these new skills will have on healthcare in the Phnom Penh community.

Graduates are expected to leave the ceremony with a renewed sense of purpose, eager to apply their knowledge within a multidisciplinary setting to make a tangible difference for patients. Their training has prepared them to help reduce dysphagia complications, such as aspiration pneumonia, weight loss, and even mortality, within their workplaces. This graduation symbolizes not only their individual achievements but also the university's commitment to enhancing healthcare standards and patient outcomes in Cambodia.

EXCHANGE STAFF AT ALANYA UNIVERSITY

Dr. Tam Sakirin, Vice Dean of ICT recently completed a fruitful exchange at Alanya University, located in the coastal city of Alanya, Turkey. This exchange initiative was part of a broader academic collaboration designed to promote cross-cultural knowledge sharing, expand research opportunities, and foster international cooperation between institutions. The ICT representative engaged in various academic activities at Alanya University, including guest lectures, research discussions, and collaborative workshops. The exchange provided an enriching opportunity to explore Turkey's advancements in technology education, allowing both institutions to gain new perspectives on curriculum development, emerging technologies, and teaching methodologies in the ICT field. This exchange was mutually beneficial, providing valuable insights into different educational and cultural contexts. By building strong international ties, the Faculty of ICT continues to advance its mission of equipping students with global perspectives and cutting-edge knowledge, positioning them as future-ready professionals in the digital age. This partnership with Alanya University marks a significant step in fostering academic cooperation and innovation, contributing to the shared goal of preparing students for the demands of a globalized tech industry.

EXCHANGE STUDENT AT ALANYA UNIVERSITY

We are excited to share that HOURN Srey Em, our Year 3 Student is now in Turkey, participating in Erasmus+ Student Program 2024. She will spend 5 months at the top university in Turkey.

We are so proud of her bravery and courage. Her dedication and hard work paid off, giving her a chance to gain valuable international experience. Beyond academics, the experience also included cultural immersion activities, enabling the student to explore Turkey's rich history, traditions, and landscapes. By participating in local events, excursions, and cultural programs, the student gained a broader view of the world and a greater appreciation for diversity.

This exchange program highlights the Faculty of ICT's commitment to fostering global competence and preparing students for success in an interconnected world. With opportunities like these, students are better equipped to contribute to the development of Cambodia's tech sector with an enhanced understanding of global innovations and practices.

THE 2024 CHINA-CAMBODIA DIGITAL ECONOMY COOPERATION
FORUM AND THE UNVEILING CEREMONY OF THE DIGITAL ECONOMY PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION

A significant step towards strengthening digital cooperation between China and Cambodia took place at the 2024 China-Cambodia Digital Economy Cooperation Forum, held at the prestigious Grand Ballroom of the Sofitel Phnom Penh Phokeethra. This landmark event, organized by the Chinese Chamber of Commerce, brought together prominent figures from government, academia, and the private sector, aiming to boost digital economy ties and explore new opportunities for collaboration in technology, digital finance, and e-commerce.

This new association, supported by the Chinese Chamber of Commerce, aims to foster stronger connections between professionals in the digital sector, facilitate knowledge exchange, and offer training programs that support emerging digital abilities in Cambodia. With the support of the association, ICT professionals in Cambodia can look forward to expanded resources for skill-building, research collaborations, and industry networking opportunities.

LECTURERS AND STUDENTS' ORIENTATION SESSION

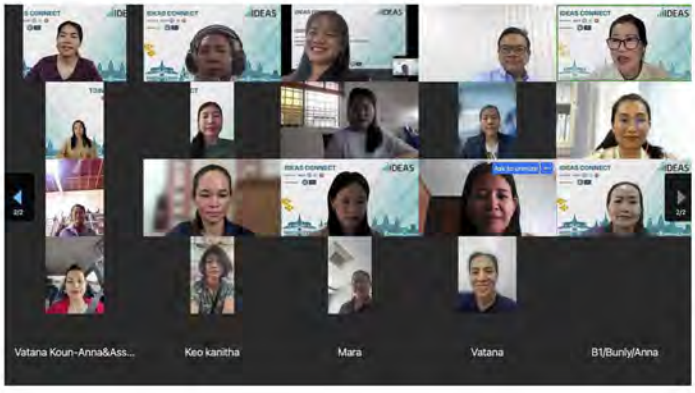
The Faculty of ICT recently organized a successful lecture and student orientation session, welcoming new and returning students to kick off the academic year. This event was made possible through the collaborative support of the university's IT team, Registrar's Office, and the University Public Outreach Program (UPOP) team, who all played essential parts in creating a consistent and engaging orientation involvement.The session aimed to provide lecturers and students with a comprehensive overview of the Faculty of ICT's programs, academic resources, and support services, setting a strong foundation for their studies.

Through this orientation, the Faculty of ICT effectively fostered a welcoming environment, with collaborative efforts across departments ensuring that lecturers and students felt well-prepared, informed, and supported as they embarked on their academic journeys. The event showcased the university's commitment to an all encompassing and student-centered approach to education, reflecting a strong, united dedication to student success and development.

BOOKBRIDE WORKSHOP

Recently, one of our esteemed faculty members participated in the innovative BOOKBRIDE workshop. This workshop is renowned for bringing together leading educators and industry experts to explore the intersection of technology and education through interactive sessions and collaborative projects. The workshop also provided the opportunity to network with other professionals in the field, fostering collaborations that could lead to exciting projects and joint initiatives in the future.

THE IDEAS PROJECT



The IDEAS Project Connect brings together institutions and industry experts to foster an environment of learning and development. Our participation will allow us to integrate new educational resources, share knowledge, and provide our students with valuable opportunities to engage with cutting-edge technology and ideas. Participating in this project is not only a pivotal step for our faculty but also guarantees to improve the academic experience for both students and faculty members as we work towards a collective vision of advancing ICT education.

UP STUDENTS PARTICIPATE IN TZU CHI MISSION IN BATTAMBANG PROVINCE

On Thursday afternoon Oct 31, 2024, 65 UP Dental students boarded buses bound for Battambang Province and the Tzu Chi Medical-Dental Mission. The three day mission effort took place at the Bavel Referral Hospital about one hour away from the city of Battambang. Participants traveled from Taiwan, Malaysia, Singapore, as well as many Cambodians came to volunteer.

The Tzu Chi organization was founded in 1966 by the Buddhist Nun Cheng Yen in Taiwan. Her stated philosophy is as follows: "Instead of just seeing medical practice as a job, today's doctors must all the more safeguard people's health and lives with love".

Our dedicated students worked as translators and assistants in several areas of the mission, including surgical, nursing, acupuncture, registration, and dental. This gave dental students opportunities to learn much outside of their own field, including working with many elderly; translating medical terminology and describing pain in many new ways. Their reactions were very positive, despite being challenged to work hard in difficult conditions. This was the first opportunity for a number of our students to experience a huge mission effort such as this, and the experience will be remembered for a lifetime!
Mr Mapha Kang wore many hats as he helped our students blend in the effort, and Dr Magnus from the US volunteered in the dental operation.

Each day began with a ceremonial opening to help the many volunteers focus on the day's task ahead. Great camaraderie and friendship was experienced by all.
Thousands of patients were seen over the three days, with the longest queue occurring on Sunday, the final day of the mission. Our team returned to UP on Monday afternoon tired, but satisfied in their accomplishments.

APPLY FLUORIDE VARNISH TO CHILDREN AT THE NATIONAL BOREY FOR INFANTS AND CHILDREN.

On November 7th, the Collaborating Centre for Innovation in Population Oral Health (CIPO) at the University of Puthisastra, together with six fourth-year dental students and four members of the CIPO team, conducted a Fluoride Varnish application session for children with special needs at the National Borey for Infants and Children. This initiative is part of a routine program carried out every three months to prevent dental caries.

During this mission, the team successfully treated 119 children. Fluoride is beneficial for both children and adults. When children are introduced to fluoride early on, it helps reduce the likelihood of developing cavities in the future.

UP STAFF ATTEND PDAA CONFERENCE IN BANGKOK

On 31 October and 1 November Dr. Chhe Phearom (lecturer in Pediatric Dentistry) and Dr. Im Puthisa (clinical tutor) attended the 13th Pediatric Dentistry Association of Asia (PDAA) Biennial Congress in Thailand. The purpose of the conference was to update dentists in the region about advances in pediatric dentistry, including new technologies, new clinical techniques and new ways of providing high quality dental services to children. The conference included keynote addresses from world leaders in pediatric dentistry, research presentations and hands-on workshops. It was also a great opportunity to make contact with general and pediatric dentists from around the region, and to share knowledge and experiences.

Dr.Im Puthisa made on oral presentation in the conference with data from his undergraduate thesis. His presentation was well received. He commented that "it was a new experience and a good opportunity to bring his research topic to share with the other participants ". The trade display was also a highlight of the meeting with many products on display which are used in pediatric dentistry.

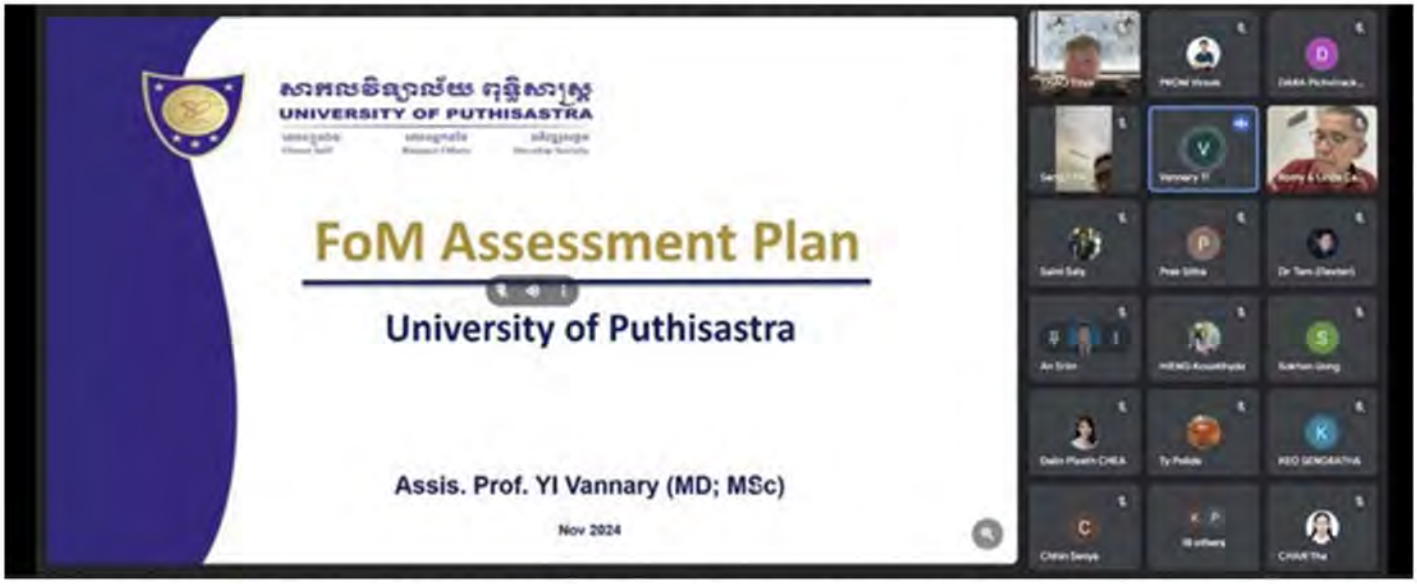
Dr Phearom and Dr Puthisa believe that keeping up-to-date with new knowledge is like opening the door to the modern world to unlock your potential and enable you to be a professional resource within our Cambodian community. Dr Puthisa is hoping to undertake postgraduate studies in pediatric dentistry in the future – to become Cambodia's third specialist in this important branch of dentistry.

DENTAL STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAM IN VAN LANG UNIVERSITY, VIETNAM

An exchange to Van Lang University (VLEP 2024) has been utterly wonderful experience for year 3, year 4, and year 5 UP dental students. We were welcome with great hospitality by VLU students upon arrival.The opening of the program was the invitation to VLU campus tour along with Asst. Prof Sopharith Soeun, Deputy Dean of Dentistry at University of Puthisastra and our lecturer in which we got to view their impressive dental clinic and labs. After the campus tour, students were encouraged to attend "The Power of Digital Dentistry" lecture delivered by Dr. Tran Hung Lam, Dean Associate of the Faculty of Dentistry at Van Lang University. The lecture is an eye opening as Dr. Tran discussed the impacts of digital on Dentistry. Another lecture about the "Temporomandibular Disorder" was introduced by Dr Tran Thi Nguyen Ny. She shared a lot of interesting cases about TMD. VLU understands that lectures were not enough for the exchange, therefore students were also able to attend hands-on about several topics such as Dental anatomy, Designing RPD framework using Inlab Sinora software, and Dental photography along with Intraoral scan.

To wrap up the exchange, VLU students and lecture took us on city tour in which we got to visit a lot of historical places in Ho Chi Minh City. We all come back to UP with new insights, memorable experiences, and wonderful friendships.
We are thankful to the Van Lang University for hosting our students from the Faculty of Dentistry, University of Puthisastra. Their generosity provided our students with invaluable exposure to a new learning environment.

FACULTY OF MEDICINE CONDUCTING LECTURER ORIENTATION FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2024-2025



The Faculty of Medicine successfully hosted d 3-day orientation for the lecturers from MD faculty November 11th to 13th November 2024.

Asst. Prof. Prom Vireak gave the remark on the new assessment policy and the introduction of the case-based learning or case study into the teaching as the competency-based medical education. He also paid the gratitude to our lecturers who work and cooperate closely with the Faculty in order to improve the quality of medical education at UP. The orientation covered several crucial topics, including:

- Assessment Policy: Presented by Assistant Professor Yi Vannary.
- Thesis Guidance: Led by Deputy Dean of Research, Ms. Pol Sreymom.
- Academic Integrity: Discussed by Mr. Sok Sarin.
- HR Policy: Explained by Ms. Ken Promhvibossny.
- UPOP Training: Conducted by Ms. Sorn Sokha and Mr. Roeung Manith.
- Classroom Management: Covered by Mr. Kol Ratha.
- UPERP System: Presented by Mr. Kham Sokheng.

We hope that our lecturers have gained a comprehensive understanding of these essential topics for the upcoming academic year. Their active participation and engagement were greatly appreciated, and we look forward to a successful semester ahead.

MEDICAL STUDENTS SUCCESSFULLY DEFENDED THEIR THESIS

(Left to right): Dr. Chhit Monyvon, Dr. Men Panha, Asst. Prof. Saint Saly, Prof. Chin Senya, Dr. Svay Somana, Asst. Prof. Sor Team, Dr. Ky Keosopheak and Dr. Chhay Putheavy

On the 12th November 2024, a group of MD students successfully defended their theses.

The group presented a study titled "Prevalence study of co-morbidity of Tuberculosis and Diabetes Mellitus in Cheung Prey Referral Hospital, Kampong Cham Province,in 2018".

The group consist of Group is consisted of Dr. Chhit Monyvon, Dr. Ky Keosopheak and Dr. Chhay Putheavy. They passed with credit. Their thesis was supervised by Asst. Prof. Saint Saly. The Thesis Examination Committee, chaired by Prof. Chin Senya, included Dr. Svay Somana, Asst. Prof. Sor Team and Dr. Men Panha
Background: The growing number of diabetes mellitus (DM) patients is a global public health challenge that is projected to increase from 415 million in 2015 to 642 million in 2040, with most (80%) of the patients living in low- and middle-income countries where TB is endemic.

In 2012, over a million adults with TB were estimated to be affected by DM. The World Health Organization identified DM as a re-emerged risk factor for TB disease.

Aim of the study: To describe the prevalence of TB among DM patients and the prevalence of DM among TB patients in Cheung Prey Hospital, Kampong Cham Province, in 2018.

The study aimed to examine the prevalence of tuberculosis (TB) among diabetes mellitus (DM) patients and vice versa at Cheung Prey Hospital in 2018.

This retrospective cross-sectional study has classified patients into two clusters: those diagnosed with TB and later screened for DM (TB-DM cluster) and those diagnosed with DM and later screened for TB (DM-TB cluster). Out of 398 patients, 223 were from the DM-TB cluster and 176 were from the TB-DM cluster.

they found that there 18% of TB-DM cluster patients had pre-diabetes, and 6% had DM. of those only 2% of DM-TB cluster patients had TB.

FACULTY OF MEDICINE IS READY FOR THE UPCOMING ACADEMIC YEAR 2024-20T25

On November 4th and 5th, 2024, the Faculty of Medicine proudly hosted the orientation for MD students from 2nd to 7th year. The event was a resounding success, with a total of more than 300 students in attendance.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to the Acting Dean of the Faculty of Medicine, Assistant Professor Prom Vireak, and the entire support team for their dedication and hard work. Special thanks to Mr. Khan Sokheng, the IT Manager, and Mr. Sok Sarin, the Education Quality Manager, for their invaluable contributions. The orientation mainly focused on the new assessment policy, academic and clinical affairs, research and thesis.

Thanks to Prof. Ian Rouse who also provided the welcome speech to our medical students.
We hope that the students have gained a comprehensive understanding of the essential information for the upcoming academic year. Their enthusiasm and engagement set a positive tone for a successful year ahead.

MORE THAN TWO HUNDRED UP STUDENTS BRAVE IN THE RAIN AT THE 4TH NATIONAL GAMES AND 2ND PARA GAME

October 30, 2024, in a remarkable show of spirit and resilience, more than two students from the University of Puthisastra participated in the 4th National Games and the 2nd Para Games, held at the Olympic Stadium. Despite the rain, the UPers showcased their enthusiasm during the Opening Ceremony on October 30, 2024, which was organized by the Directorate General of Sports and honored by the presence of Samdech Thipadei Hun Manet, Prime Minister of Cambodia.

The Opening Ceremony started with a vibrant display of performances, featuring traditional dances, and included performances from the most popular rapper in Cambodia that captivated the audience. The rain did little to dampen the spirits of the participants and spectators alike, as they cheered for the athletes and celebrated the spirit of unity and competition that defines these national games. The UPers proudly as they represented their university bravely in the rain. The Closing Ceremony, held on November 8, 2024, celebrated the achievements of all participants with a grand finale filled with performances and awards. The National Games and Para Games provide a vital platform for athletes of all abilities to shine, and the UPers were excited to participate in these enjoyable events.
The successful hosting of the 4th National Games and 2nd Para Games commitment to fostering athletic talent and promoting a culture of health and wellness among its youth, even in the face of adversity such as weather challenges.

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