



UP VOICE

The Official Newsletter of the University of Puthisastra (UP)

CONGRATULATIONS TO PROF. CHEA SIN ON HIS ELECTION AS PRESIDENT-ELECT OF AASMT



We extend our heartfelt congratulations to Professor Chea Sin on his election as President-Elect of the Association of Schools of Medical Technology Laboratory (AASMT) by the Board of Directors during their meeting held in Manila, Philippines, on May 23, 2025.

This prestigious recognition follows seven years of Professor Chea Sin's active and dedicated service to the development and growth of AASMT. His unwavering commitment and visionary leadership have been pivotal in advancing the association's mission and impact across the region.

Professor Chea Sin's election not only honors his personal achievements but also brings regional recognition to the University of Puthisastra (UP), reaffirming its leadership in health sciences and medical technology education.

This milestone paves the way for expanded collaboration, academic exchange, and influence in shaping regional educational standards.

This accomplishment will significantly benefit both the Faculty of Health Sciences and Biotechnology and the Faculty of Pharmacy, while also serving as a powerful source of inspiration for UP's students and staff.

It reinforces the university's enduring commitment to excellence, innovation, and regional leadership in education and healthcare.

UNIVERSITY OF PUTHISAISTRA AND NISTI DISCUSS STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP TO ADVANCE STEM AND INNOVATION



On Friday, May 30, 2025, Professor Ian Rouse, President of the University of Puthisastra, led the university's senior management team to participate in a discussion on cooperation between the University of Puthisastra and the National Institute of Science, Technology and Innovation. The meeting was held with a delegation from the Ministry of Industry, Science, Technology and Innovation, led by H.E. Hong Rada, Under Secretary of State of the Ministry of Industry, Science, Technology and Innovation.

The discussion focused on areas such as joint research, student internships at the National Institute of Science, Technology and Innovation, collaborative efforts to promote STEM education campaigns, joint training for students and entrepreneurs, and other cooperative initiatives to enhance science, technology, and innovation in Cambodia.

UP FACULTY OF MEDICINE VISITING TECO SEN KOH THOM HOSPITAL

The delegation from Faculty of Medicine, led by Dean of Medicine, held a meeting with officers at Techo Sen Koh Thom Hospital in Kandal Province on May 29th, 2025.

Techo Sen Koh Thom Hospital, located in Koh Thom District, Kandal Province, Cambodia. It has been open to the public for around 1 year and 3 months. We have been touring all departments of the hospital. Many beds are currently occupied, indicating active patient care. The staff are friendly and welcoming. Additionally, some specialized doctors from main hospitals in Phnom Penh are providing technical support on a temporary basis.

The aims of the visit were to strengthen the relationship between the faculty of medicine and hospital, to discuss the workflow in arranging the internship for the clinical rotation, to discuss the assessment after the clinical rotation and to ensure the quality of clinical training, to gain insights into medical procedures and technology, and to discuss about the preceptor.

Collectively, these objectives aim to foster an environment of continuous improvement in medical education, ensuring that students receive comprehensive, up-to-date, and practical training during their clinical rotations.

TWO PHARMACY STUDENTS SELECTED TO REPRESENT UNIVERSITY OF PUTHISAISTRA AT REGEN ASIA SUMMIT 2025 IN SINGAPORE



The Faculty of Pharmacy is proud to extend heartfelt congratulations to Mr. Loun Channra (Year 5) and Ms. Khon Lyheang (Year 2), who have been selected to participate in the prestigious Regen Asia Summit (RAS) in Singapore, taking place from July 4–5, 2025.

The Regen Asia Summit is a leading regional event dedicated to promoting sustainability and regenerative practices across the Asia-Pacific. It convenes industry leaders, innovators, and policymakers to explore effective strategies for environmental resilience, climate action, and sustainable development.

Attendees will engage in impactful keynote speeches, panel discussions, and networking opportunities, gaining exposure to diverse topics such as renewable energy, sustainable agriculture, and circular economy initiatives. This platform offers an incredible opportunity for our students to broaden their perspectives, gain valuable knowledge, and contribute meaningfully to discussions shaping a more sustainable future.

The Faculty of Pharmacy wishes Mr. Channra and Ms. Lyheang a fruitful and inspiring experience as they represent the University of Puthisastra on this international stage.

MOU SIGNING CEREMONIES BETWEEN THE FACULTY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, UNIVERSITY OF PUTHISAstra, WITH THE FACULTY OF PHARMACY, TON DUC THANG UNIVERSITY



Faculty of Pharmacy



UNIVERSITY OF PUTHISAstra

Faculty of Science and Technology



On May 22, 2025, there was a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) signing ceremony between the University of Puthisastra (UP) and Ton Duc Thang University via Google Meet. Assoc. Prof. Nguyen Trong Huy, Dean of the Faculty of Pharmacy, Ton Duc Thang University and Prof. Ian Rouse, President and Vice-Chancellor of UP, agreed to sign the MOU and work hand in hand in terms of technical training and exchange experiences through this MOU. The purpose of this MOU is to ensure the quality of training at the standard level by collaborating, providing knowledge, and experience on laboratory techniques, and sharing specific visions for future cooperation between the University of Puthisastra and Ton Duc Thang University.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE UP'S SCIENCE RESEARCH STUDENT IS SELECTED TO ATTENDED AT THE REGEN ASIA SUMMIT (RAS 2025) IN SINGAPORE



The Department of Research Sciences of the Faculty of Science and Technology of the University of Puthisastra (UP) would like to congratulate two senior student majoring in Bachelor of Science Research, batch 2, Miss SIM Nita and Mr. Chao Tha Chea Buthra, who has been selected to attend in the Regen Asia Summit (RAS 2025). This event will be held from 4 to 5 July 2025 at the National University of Singapore, Singapore.

Regen Asia Summit (RAS 2025) is one of the premier regional gatherings for advancing regenerative and sustainable practices in the Asia-Pacific area is the. It brings together politicians, innovators, and leaders in the industry to discuss practical approaches to climate action, environmental resilience, and sustainable development. It is a fantastic opportunity to widen students' horizons, learn important things, and actively participate in conversations that will help shape a more sustainable future thanks to this platform.

As Miss Nita and Mr. Buthra will represent the University of Puthisastra on this global platform, the Faculty of Science and Technology wishes them a successful and motivating experience.

FOSTERING ACADEMIC COOPERATION BETWEEN UNIVERSITY OF PUTHISAstra AND CURTIN UNIVERSITY



On Tuesday, May 27, 2025, Professor Ian Rouse, President of the University of Puthisastra, led the university's senior management team to participate in a discussion on cooperation between the University of Puthisastra and the Curtin University. The meeting was held with a delegation from the Curtin University, led by Assoc. Prof. Thor Kerr, Dean Global, ASEAN.

The discussion focused on areas such as joint research, student internships at the both universities and joint programs.

PRE-DEPARTURE MEETING HELD FOR UP PHARMACY STUDENTS ATTENDING INTERNATIONAL SUMMER COURSE AT SILPAKORN UNIVERSITY IN THAILAND



Phnom Penh: Friday May 16, 2025, a pre-departure meeting was conducted for pharmacy students from the University of Puthisastra who have been selected to join the international summer course at Silpakorn University, Thailand. The meeting was held under the chairmanship of Prof. Chea Sin, Vice President of the University of Puthisastra, Asst. Prof. Chhea Sophearom, Dean of the Faculty of Pharmacy, along with faculty members.

During the meeting, Asst. Prof. Chhea Sophearom reported that from January 2025 to May 2025, the Faculty of Pharmacy has sent a total of 42 pharmacy students to participate in international exchange programs and internships.

On this occasion, Prof. Chea Sin provided key recommendations and words of encouragement, urging the students to study diligently, absorb new knowledge, and make the most of this international learning opportunity. He emphasized that students who return from international programs often come back with increased maturity and valuable personal and professional growth.

This program represents a significant opportunity for both academic and cultural exchange—allowing students to broaden their pharmaceutical knowledge, gain international exposure, and foster their professional development through global collaboration.

FACULTY OF DENTISTRY ACHIEVES PUBLICATION IN PRESTIGIOUS JOURNAL

Oral Surgery

ORAL SURGERY

REVIEW

Efficacy of Aloe vera in Cancer-Related Oral Mucositis: An Umbrella Review

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In May 2025, we are excited to announce that Dr. Siddharthan Selvaraj, Deputy Dean (Research), has published an important review article in Oral Surgery Journal, a leading peer-reviewed journal under "Wiley Press" (UK), renowned for its scientific excellence.

Title: Efficacy of Aloe vera in Cancer-Related Oral Mucositis: An Umbrella Review. This review demonstrated that Aloe Vera (AV) or its derivatives in all forms have been shown to improve Oral Mucositis (OM) in cancer patients. It highlights important indicators based on which it can be concluded that AV makes a compelling case when it comes to the treatment of OM in the context of cancer.

About Oral Surgery Journal:

The Oral Surgery journal, published by Wiley in collaboration with the British Association of Oral Surgeons (BAOS), is a peer-reviewed, quarterly journal dedicated to advancing the field of oral and maxillofacial surgery. Established in 2008, it serves as a comprehensive platform for disseminating high-quality research that informs clinical practice and enhances patient care.

The journal holds a CiteScore of 0.7 and is ranked in the Q3 Quartile in both the "Dentistry - Oral Surgery" and "Medicine - Surgery" categories. Its impact factor has shown a steady increase over recent years, reflecting its growing influence in the field.

Dr. Siddharth's publication in this prestigious journal reflects his continued dedication to global health research and highlights our university's commitment to advancing impactful research.

SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF UCARE PHARMACY INTERNSHIP BY 34 UP BACHELOR OF PHARMACY STUDENTS



On Friday, May 23, 2025, 34 Bachelor of Pharmacy students from the University of Puthisastra (UP) were awarded Certificates of Completion for their internship at Ucare Pharmacy. The certificate granting ceremony, held at Ucare Pharmacy Head office center, was conducted under chairmanship of Asst. Prof. Chhea Sophearom, Dean of the Faculty of Pharmacy at UP, and Mr. Pascal Catry, CEO of Ucare Pharmacy.

During their internship, students gained practical experience in managing pharmacy stock, providing comprehensive drug information to patients, identifying essential drug details, counseling and consulting with patients, interpreting laboratory results, validating medical prescriptions, and building professional relationships with patients and other healthcare professionals. In their mission, Ms. Pich Kimlorng, Ms. Aing Kimleng, and Ms. Sok Teang shared reflections on the valuable knowledge and hands-on experience they gained throughout their internship. This marks the 10th batch of UP students to successfully complete their internship at Ucare Pharmacy.

The Faculty of Pharmacy at the University of Puthisastra extends its heartfelt gratitude to the management, preceptors, and staff of Ucare Pharmacy for their invaluable support, guidance, and dedication in training and mentoring UP students throughout their internship journey.

A HEART FOR HEALING: WHY I CHOOSE TO STUDY AN ASSOCIATE DEGREE IN NURSING



I chose to study an Associate Degree in Nursing because I have a deep passion for helping others, especially my family. Since I was young, I dreamed of becoming a healthcare professional and being part of a team that makes a real difference in people's lives. After finishing high school, I took the National Entrance Exam, but unfortunately, I didn't pass. Instead of giving up, I found motivation from within myself and encouragement from my family, teachers, and friends.

I decided to try again, hard work paid off, this time through the associate degree entrance exam, and I succeeded. Presently, I am studying sophomore year and also a senate member that represents nursing students from the Department of Nursing, University of Puthisastra.

Starting university was a big change. Everything felt different from high school including the study schedule, the teaching methods, and the overall environment. But those changes helped me grow. I've become more confident, more communicative, and more determined to work hard. Through my studies in nursing, I have come to understand how essential and meaningful it is to care for others. Nursing is not just about skills, it is about compassion, responsibility, and making a difference.

Ms. SOTH Socheata, Sophomore year nursing student, Associate Degree in Nursing, Promotion 13

I would like to share my personal journey and the reasons why I chose to pursue this major. Initially, I attempted to apply for a bachelor's degree program but was unsuccessful. Although disappointed, I didn't give up. Instead, I decided to apply for an Associate Degree in Nursing program, wanting to explore a new path.

At first, my decision was uncertain, I simply wanted to try something different. When I started my first academic year, I wasn't particularly excited; I was still thinking about retaking the entrance exam.

But over time, I began to feel genuinely happy and proud of the choice I made. I came to realize that an associate degree in nursing is not only valuable but also a vital part of the healthcare education system. This program has deepened my understanding of the nursing profession and its importance in society. Now, I strongly believe that this major will not only help me grow as a person who I am but also prepare me to reach my full potential in the future.

Mr. SOKHA Nisa, Sophomore year nursing student, Associate Degree in Nursing, Promotion 13

When I completed my secondary education, I began contemplating my life deeply. I have asked myself, "Which profession affords me the most happiness and instills a deformed sense of pride?" That answer was, and still is, nursing.

One major factor includes the willingness to take care of my parents during their old age. They have done so much for me over the years, and I hope, one day, I will be able to care for them with love, respect, and knowledge. Through nursing, I strongly believe, I and any other, would be able to look after not just the patients, but family members as well.

I figured I could begin my journey in nursing by pursuing an associate degree first. I believe this degree provides me with a solid foundation as a nursing student, which, in turn, helps to develop my skills and begin my career in healthcare. This programme offers lectures and practical as well, which means I will gradually, step by step, work towards achieving my goals of becoming a nurse.

Ever since becoming a nursing student, I have come to the realization that the nursing process is not an approach reserved solely for hospitals. It is very ingrained in my way of thinking. So, it has become a solving mechanism that I incorporate into my everyday life. It contributes to keeping me calm, organized, and contemplative when I am confronted with challenges or want to assist people.

The more I study nursing, the more I feel that I made the right choice. I learned many new things, not only about health and taking care of people, but also about how to be kindness, patience, and strength. Being a nurse is not just the title of a job; it is a way to help others and make their lives better. That's why I am proud to be on this journey to become a potential nurse in the future.

Mr. PHOU Kokhay, Sophomore year nursing student, Associate Degree in Nursing, Promotion 13

UP PHARMACY STUDENTS JOIN PROJECT SA'BAI TO ADVANCE COMMUNITY HEALTH IN CAMBODIA



Four dedicated students from the Faculty of Pharmacy, University of Puthisastra will represent the university in Project Sa'Bai—a meaningful and impactful initiative offering a platform for growth, learning, and valuable contributions to public health in Cambodia.

About Project Sa'Bai: Project Sa'Bai is a student-led Medical Overseas Community Involvement Project (OCIP) initiated in 2006 by medical students from the Yong Loo Lin School of Medicine, National University of Singapore (NUS).

The project aims to deliver basic healthcare services and health education to underserved communities in Cambodia, where access to such care remains limited.

Organized every December with smaller missions in May, Project Sa'Bai encourages participation from the Sa'Bai Cambodian Wing (SCW), a dedicated team of Cambodian students.

SCWs collaborate with Singaporean counterparts across four core committees: Pioneering Committee, Health Education Committee, Public Relations Committee, Pharm-Log (Pharmacy and Logistics) Committee.

Through this involvement, our pharmacy students will play a vital role in delivering sustainable health interventions and strengthening community outreach, while gaining invaluable experience in international collaboration and grassroots healthcare delivery.

PROFESSOR CHEA SIN, VICE PRESIDENT OF UP AND AASMT, TO DELIVER CLOSING REMARKS AT 2025 ASEAN BIOMEDICAL TECHNOLOGY SUMMIT AT PHILIPPINES



We are honored to share that Professor Chea Sin, Vice President of the University of Puthisastra (UP) and Vice President of the ASEAN Association of Schools of Medical Technology (AASMT), will represent Cambodia at the 2025 ASEAN Biomedical Technology Stakeholder Summit and Research Conference. The event will be held on 23–24 May 2025 at RISE Tower, Our Lady of Fatima University, under the theme: “The Future of Biomedical Laboratories from an ASEAN Perspective: A Biomedical Technology Vision.”

Professor Chea Sin will deliver the closing remarks of the summit, offering valuable insights and strategic recommendations to guide regional cooperation and innovation in biomedical technology. His presence underscores the vital role of regional leadership and collaboration in advancing the future of biomedical laboratories across ASEAN. Through his dual leadership roles at UP and AASMT, Professor Chea Sin brings a unique perspective that will enrich the summit's discussions and outcomes. Most importantly, his participation is a proud milestone for Cambodia and a

testament to the country's growing influence in the ASEAN biomedical technology community, as we collectively shape a creative, inclusive, and forward-looking vision for healthcare in the region.

2 PHARMACY STUDENTS SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED HIS ONE-MONTH INTERNSHIP AT UP PHARMACY, UP HEALTH CENTER



Mr. Yon Sarak and Ms. Rith Chansokunkanika, 5th-year Bachelor of Pharmacy students, successfully completed their one-month internship at UP Pharmacy, UP Health Center, starting from March 26, 2025.

During the internship, they gained hands-on experience in pharmaceutical care, stock management, drug recognition, prescription validation, and patient counseling. Mr. Sarak shared, “It was such a great opportunity for me to enhance my practical skills.”

Ms. Chansokunkanika added, “This internship helped me build more confidence in patient interaction and medicine dispensing.” The Faculty of Pharmacy, University of Puthisastra, congratulates both students on their achievement and sincerely thanks the management team and preceptors at UP Pharmacy, UP Health Center for their support and guidance.

ADVANCING ACADEMIC INTEGRITY IN THE ERA OF GENERATIVE AI: UNIVERSITY OF PUTHISAstra'S ENGAGEMENT AT THE 4TH BIENNIAL CESCAM CONFERENCE



On Friday, May 23, 2025—staff and undergraduate students from the Faculty of Pharmacy at the University of Puthisastra attended the 4th Cambodia Comparative Education Conference (CEScam).

The event was hosted by CamTech University in collaboration with the National Institute of Education, Phnom Penh Pedagogical Institute, Institute for Training and Research for the Development of Cambodia, University of Puthisastra, and Paragon International University.

Held under the theme “Academic Integrity in the Age of Generative AI,” the conference was chaired by Professor Dr. Khieng Sothy, Rector of CamTech University and President of CEScam, along with Prof.

Dr. CHHEM Kieth Rethy, Senior Minister in Charge of Special Missions, Chairman of the Economic, Social, and Cultural Council, and a member of the University of Puthisastra's Board of Trustees.

The conference featured two panel discussions. The first, titled “What is Knowledge in the Context of Generative AI”, was moderated by Professor Dr. Leng Phirom, Vice Chancellor of CamTech University. The second panel, “Redefining Integrity in Higher Education”, was led by Dr.

Chea Vathana, Director of Research and Innovation at CamTech University.

Distinguished speakers from the University of Puthisastra, including Professor Ian Rouse, President and Vice-Chancellor, was invited to speak at the conference.

Their contributions reflected the university's strong commitment to promoting the ethical and effective use of artificial intelligence in education, research, and institutional practices across Cambodia.

The conference also included research presentations from a wide range of stakeholders—government agencies, higher education institutions, research organizations, and the private sector, with particular attention to the role of SMEs in advancing innovation and education in Cambodia.

EMPOWERING CAMBODIAN PHARMACISTS: 10-POINT CPD TRAINING ON CLINICAL PHARMACY – ROUND 14 (SESSIONS 3 & 4)



The Faculty of Pharmacy at the University of Puthisastra, with approval from the Cambodian Pharmacy Council, continues its Continuing Professional Development (CPD) training program for Cambodian pharmacists via Zoom.

Round 14 – Sessions 3 & 4 focus on “The Role of Pharmacists in Clinical Pharmacy,” emphasizing:

1. Hospital pharmacy – improving treatment outcomes and disease prevention
2. Emergency care
3. Pharmaceutical information development
4. Basic Life Support (BLS) & Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS)
5. Infection control

5TH-YEAR PHARMACY STUDENTS FROM UP BEGIN CLERKSHIP AT THE NATIONAL HEALTH PRODUCTS QUALITY CONTROL CENTER (NHQC)



On the morning of Monday, May 19, 2025, a group of 5th-year Bachelor of Pharmacy students from the University of Puthisastra began their clerkship at the National Health Products Quality Control Center (NHQC). Through this clerkship, students will benefit in several key ways:

1. Hands-on experience in pharmaceutical quality control and laboratory analysis
2. Exposure to regulatory practices and national drug quality standards in Cambodia
3. Improved understanding of analytical techniques and equipment used in quality assurance
4. Stronger foundation in applying Good Laboratory Practices (GLP) and compliance protocols

The Faculty of Pharmacy at the University of Puthisastra would like to express its sincere gratitude to the management team and preceptors at NHQC for providing this valuable learning opportunity. We hope this experience will enhance their professional skills, deepen their pharmaceutical knowledge, and contribute to their success as future pharmacists.

UP PHARMACY STUDENTS BEGIN FINAL-YEAR CLERKSHIP AT TRADITIONAL MEDICINE CENTER



On the morning of Monday, May 19, 2025, a group of 5th-year Bachelor of Pharmacy students from the University of Puthisastra began their clerkship at the National Center of Traditional Medicine.

The Faculty of Pharmacy, University of Puthisastra sincerely thanks the management team and preceptors at the center for providing students with this valuable opportunity to apply their knowledge in a practical setting.

During the clerkship, students are expected to achieve the following learning outcomes:

1. Develop skills in plant taxonomy and the classification of medicinal plants
2. Understand the traditional uses and therapeutic applications of Cambodian medicinal plants

3. Gain hands-on experience in the preparation and formulation of traditional medicines
4. Observe research practices related to the development and evaluation of traditional remedies

UP YEAR 5 PHARMACY STUDENTS START CLERKSHIP AND TRAINING AT CENTRAL MEDICAL STORES (CMS)



On the morning of Wednesday, May 21, 2025, a group of 5th-year Bachelor of Pharmacy students from the University of Puthisastra began their clerkship at Central Medical Stores (CMS).

During their clerkship at CMS, students will benefit from:

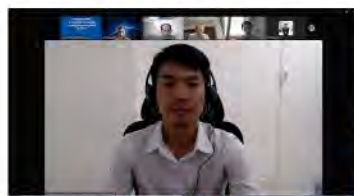
1. Hands-on experience in pharmaceutical inventory and supply chain management
2. Understanding the logistics of procurement, storage, and distribution of essential medicines
3. Learning about the management and distribution of antiretroviral drugs for HIV, HBV, and HCV treatment
4. Exposure to proper vaccine storage, cold chain management, and

distribution practices

5. Developing skills in quality assurance and compliance with national drug regulations

The Faculty of Pharmacy, University of Puthisastra expresses sincere gratitude to the management team and preceptors at CMS for providing these students with valuable opportunities to develop their practical skills and professional knowledge.

ASST. PROF. CHHEA SOPHEAROM SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETES TRAINING ON “GENERATIVE AI FOR HEALTH PROFESSION EDUCATORS”



Phnom Penh, May 22, 2025 – Asst. Prof. Chhea Sophearom, Dean of the Faculty of Pharmacy at the University of Puthisastra, has successfully completed a comprehensive four-week training course titled "Generative AI for Health Profession Educators." The program was organized by GIZ Cambodia in partnership with the HSI-RCAF, the KSFH, and CCFKH.

This hybrid course was designed to introduce health education leaders to the principles and applications of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in academic settings. The training provided a foundational understanding of AI, including prompt engineering and the integration of AI models into teaching methodologies.

Key components of the course included:

- Designing learning outcomes aligned with AI capabilities
- Developing lesson plans and instructional content enhanced by AI tools
- Creating assessment frameworks suitable for AI-assisted education
- Exploring the ethical, legal, and responsible use of AI in educational contexts

The program featured a combination of theoretical knowledge and hands-on practice, enabling participants to apply AI tools effectively and ethically in their institutions.

Asst. Prof. Chhea Sophearom's successful completion of this program reflects his commitment to advancing digital innovation in health education and strengthening the quality and effectiveness of teaching and learning at the University of Puthisastra.

EMPOWERING COMMUNITIES: UP PHARMACY STUDENTS CONTRIBUTE TO PROJECT SOTHEA



A big congratulations to our two outstanding pharmacy students for being selected to attend Project Sothea in Cambodia

This is an incredible opportunity to broaden your knowledge, enhance your skills, and contribute meaningfully to the field of public health.

Project Sothea is dedicated to promoting healthy lifestyles and improving the overall well-being of underserved communities in Cambodia — particularly in areas like Battambang Province. The project achieves its mission through annual health screenings, health education programs, and strong partnerships with local schools and Village Health Support Groups (VHSGs).

We are so proud of your achievement and look forward to the positive impact you will make!

UP 5TH-YEAR PHARMACY STUDENTS BEGIN INDUSTRY CLERKSHIP AT PPM



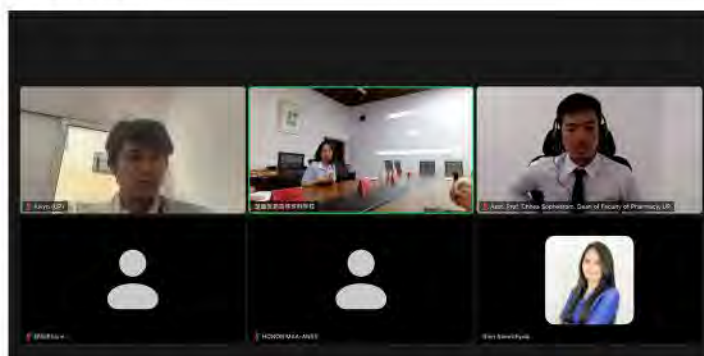
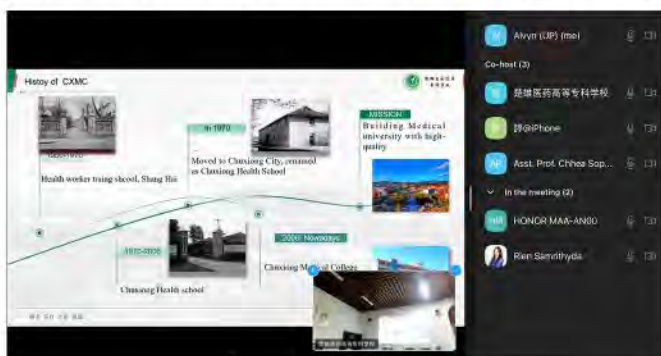
Phnom Penh: On the morning of Monday, May 19, 2025, a group of 5th-year Bachelor of Pharmacy students from the University of Puthisastra (UP) officially began their clerkship at Pharma Product Manufacturing (PPM).

The Faculty of Pharmacy at the University of Puthisastra extends its sincere gratitude to the management team and dedicated preceptors at PPM for welcoming our students and offering them this invaluable learning opportunity. Their support plays a vital role in bridging academic knowledge with real-world pharmaceutical industry experience.

Participating in this clerkship allows students to:

- Gain hands-on experience in pharmaceutical manufacturing processes
- Develop a deeper understanding of Good Manufacturing Practices (GMP)
- Learn about quality control and quality assurance systems in a real-world setting
- Improve technical competencies and professional conduct in an industrial environment
- Build networks with industry professionals and enhance future career prospects

FIRST MEETING BETWEEN THE UNIVERSITY OF PUTHISAstra, CAMBODIA AND CHUXIONG MEDICAL COLLEGE, CHINA



On May 13, 2025, the University of Puthisastra held its first official meeting with Chuxiong Medical College, Yunnan, China. The meeting was led by Ms. Rien Samrithyda, Director of Engagement and Partnerships, to explore opportunities for collaboration in Traditional Chinese Medicine, Acupuncture, Tuina Therapy, and Rehabilitation. It was also attended by Assistant Professor Chhea Sophearom, Dean of the Faculty of Pharmacy, and Mr. Yom Mengchhay, Relations and Partnerships Coordinator.

The discussion focused on potential joint education programs, student exchange initiatives, and faculty development activities—marking a promising step toward building a strong international partnership and fostering cross-cultural academic exchange between the two institutions. Both parties agreed to continue communication with the goal of establishing joint education and student exchange programs in the future.

12 UP PHARMACY STUDENTS TO REPRESENT IN COMMUNITY HEALTH MISSION: PROJECT LOKUN



The Faculty of Pharmacy at the University of Puthisastra is proud to announce that 12 pharmacy students have been selected to participate in Project Lokun—a humanitarian campaign dedicated to supporting underserved communities in Pursat Province, Cambodia. This initiative is carried out in collaboration with medical students from Singapore, aiming to raise health awareness and provide crucial medical counseling services to villagers in the region.

Why this participation matters for pharmacy students:

- Apply pharmacy knowledge in real-life settings
- Build meaningful connections with the community
- Strengthen healthcare and patient care skills for the future.

We are confident that this experience will be invaluable in the students' academic and professional growth. We wish all 12 students the best of luck as they embark on this impactful journey to make a meaningful difference in the lives of the people they serve!

3 UP PHARMACY STUDENTS RECOGNIZED WITH SUNRISE FOUNDATION AWARD FOR THEIR ROLE IN FREE HEALTH SCREENING PROGRAM



Through this program, our students went beyond classroom learning by taking part in health screenings, offering consultations to community members, and strengthening their professional and communication skills. They also gained valuable, hands-on experience in addressing real-life public health issues.

Currently, there are three pharmacy students who have received awards of appreciation from the Sunrise Foundation for their participation in pharmacy student community service.

This achievement highlights:

- Compassion and dedication to community service
- Active engagement in social and volunteer activities.

The University of Puthisastra sincerely thanks the Sunrise Foundation for providing this meaningful opportunity to our students. We are incredibly proud of their commitment, hard work, and contribution to improving community health.

MS. NENG MOUPLY REFLECTS ON HER AWARD AND INSPIRING EXPERIENCES AT SUNRISE CHARITY FOUNDATION'S HEALTH INITIATIVE



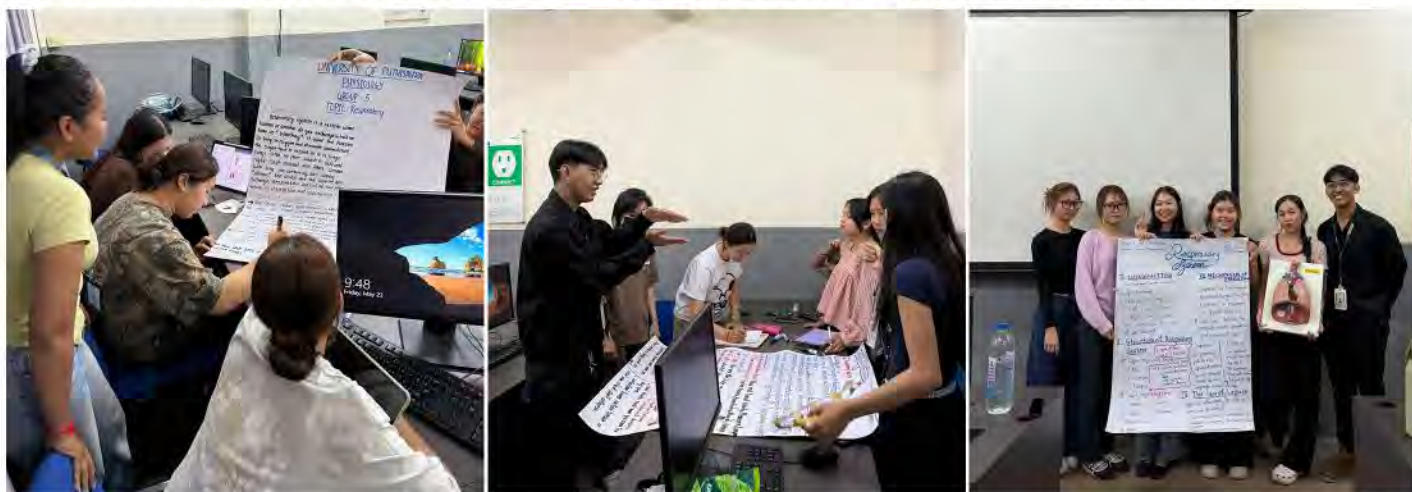
I am truly honored and excited to take part in the Sunrise Charity Foundation, where I have the opportunity to share knowledge and provide advice to patients on the proper use of medicines.

This marks the fifth time I have participated in the free health check-up initiative with the Sunrise Charity Foundation. Beyond distributing medications, I have also had the chance to educate and counsel patients—an experience that continues to inspire me and fuels my passion for community service. These activities motivate me to contribute meaningfully to improving public health, especially in underserved communities.

I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude to the Sunrise Charity Foundation for its ongoing efforts to support the well-being of our people. I am also deeply honored to receive the Appreciation Award, which holds great meaning for me.

Lastly, I would like to sincerely thank the Faculty of Pharmacy at the University of Puthisastra, along with all the professors, lecturers, and staff, for their continued support in encouraging students to engage in social and community-based activities.

FACULTY OF PHARMACY ENHANCING LEARNING THROUGH SMALL GROUP DISCUSSIONS IN PHYSIOLOGY: ALIGNED WITH FACULTY VISION, GLOBAL STANDARDS, AND SDGS



Aligned with the Faculty of Pharmacy's vision of fostering holistic, forward-thinking education, these discussions not only address academic needs but also contribute to global standards of higher education.

Additionally, by encouraging critical thinking and collaboration, they support the achievement of Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), particularly those related to quality education, health, and well-being.

A discussion is an interactive process in which students—or students and instructors—exchange information, share ideas and opinions, or collaboratively solve problems.

It differs from a traditional question-answer format, often referred to as recitation, where the teacher asks a question, students respond, and the teacher continues with another question. The primary purpose of recitation is to assess students' knowledge, whereas true discussion promotes deeper engagement and understanding.

Small group discussions create a supportive environment that combines structure with the freedom to explore ideas. This approach encourages students to express their thoughts, ask questions, and develop critical thinking skills. Moreover, it fosters active participation and strengthens creativity, collaboration, and productivity.

In the context of Physiology, such discussions make complex concepts more accessible, engaging, and easier to

UP PHARMACY STUDENTS EMBARK ON INTERNATIONAL SUMMER COURSE AT SILPAKORN UNIVERSITY, THAILAND



Eight pharmacy students from the University of Puthisastra (UP) have officially departed from Phnom Penh International Airport, led by Asst. Prof. Chhea Sophearom, Dean of the Faculty of Pharmacy, to attend the International Summer Course at Silpakorn University in Thailand.

This exciting exchange program offers students a unique opportunity to:

- Broaden their global perspective on pharmacy education
- Engage in academic and cultural exchange with international peers
- Strengthen their practical skills through workshops, lab activities, and site visits
- Enhance their communication skills and confidence through English-based learning

- Gain insights into diverse healthcare systems and pharmaceutical practices

We wish our dean and students a successful and enriching journey ahead!!

SENIOR MEDICAL STUDENTS WELCOMING NEW BEGINNINGS: WELCOME PARTY JUNIOR 2025



To warmly embrace the newest members of our academic family, the seniors of the Faculty of Medicine at UP organized a heartfelt and lively Welcome Party Junior 2025. The event was filled with warm smiles, fun icebreakers, and inspiring speeches from seniors.

Juniors were introduced to UP's vibrant academic and extracurricular life, including a glimpse into the Podcast of Medicine Pathway, tips for study success, and hands-on CPR and choking workshops. It was a meaningful start to a new journey built on connection, support, and shared purpose.

MEDICAL STUDENT PARTICIPATED IN THE WORLD LEADER CONFERENCE



Khan Leangheng, a year-5 medical student, participated in the World Leader Conference 2025 organized by the International Youth Fellowship (IYF). This year, he joined this global initiative as part of a team that addressed the pressing issue of alcohol consumption among youth, under the broader theme of Good Health and Well-Being.

He was recruited during the official registration period, which ran from February to April 2025. As a university student passionate about public health, he applied individually and was later placed into a dynamic team of five, all committed to creating real social change. The conference promotes problem-solving and leadership through team-based projects, with participants engaged in both online missions and an in-person competition hosted at the Institute of Technology of Cambodia (ITC).

His team was recognized for their innovation and proudly received a Certificate of Achievement, along with membership recognition as a Youth Parliament delegate.

This achievement highlights the impact and potential of youth-led solutions. The experience not only enhanced his leadership, teamwork skills, and action-oriented mindset but also deepened his commitment to advancing public health in Cambodia. It was an incredible platform for learning, sharing, and growing alongside other passionate students from across the country.

TWO THESES SUCCESSFULLY DEFENDED IN THE FACULTY OF MEDICINE



Over the last two weeks of May, two theses were successfully defended:

1. On May 21, MD students from Batch 6, Group 8, which consisted of three members includes Mr. Ear Hakchheng, Ms. Sok Khemrin, and Ms. Vy Sra. They defended their thesis under titled:

"Clinical Characteristics and Management Aspects of Clavicle Fractures at the Cambodia-China Friendship Preah Kossamak Hospital in 2022".

Group were supervised by Asst. Prof. Tha Puthrattanak and Dr. Te Haypheng and the defends was Chaired by Asst. Prof. Prom Vireak alongside with Dr. Kea Sokleng and A.J. Clin. Asst. Prof. Mao Heng.

The study review on 50 clavicle fracture cases, and found that most were midshaft fractures in young adult males, primarily caused by traffic accidents. Surgical treatment was used in over 90% of cases, with full recovery in all patients. The research highlights the need for more localized orthopedic data to inform clinical care in Cambodia.

2. On May 22, MD students from Batch 1, Group 31 which consiste of three members such as Mr. Has Put, Ms. Mel Chakriya and Mr. Vann Oudomsophanarith. They presented their thesis:

"The Retrospective Study on Clinico-Epidemiology of Scabies at Khmer-Soviet Friendship Hospital (2015–2016)". Group were supervised by Asst. Prof. Soeur Chanthan and Dr. Seng Mala and the Chair of TEC was Asst. Prof. Prom Vireak alongside with Asst. Prof. Sim Kong and Dr. Aun Hemrin as members.

Their review of 1,967 dermatology cases showed a 4.8% prevalence of scabies, affecting mostly young adults and students from rural areas. Common symptoms included nighttime itching and papules, with lesions often found in the web spaces and genital area. The study calls for stronger public health efforts to combat scabies.

The University congratulates both groups on their valuable contributions to medical research in Cambodia.

FACULTY OF MEDICINE PARTICIPATING IN THE HEALTH SCREENING FOR CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS



On May 26, 2025, the Deputy Dean of Clinical Affairs from the Faculty of Medicine, accompanied by 11 medical students, volunteered to conduct health screenings for children with special needs, organized by Special Olympics.

This initiative aligns with the Special Olympics' Healthy Athletes program, which offers free health screenings and education to athletes with intellectual disabilities in a welcoming environment. Medical students and professionals participate in these events, gaining valuable experience while contributing to the well-being of the community. A total of 100 children underwent health screenings during the event.

The children received both general health assessments and dental check-ups.

We sincerely thank all the volunteers and organizers for making this event possible. Your efforts have made a meaningful contribution to our community.

UP AND SPEECH THERAPY CAMBODIA COLLABORATE CLOSELY TO TRAIN CAMBODIAN HEALTHCARE PRACTITIONERS IN MANAGING ADULT DYSPHAGIA



Speech Therapy Cambodia works closely with UP to provide training in adult dysphagia management to Cambodian health professionals. We are excited to welcome Maraneth Muth as Project Manager for the Rotary Global Grant, collaborating with Speech and Swallowing Therapy Cambodia (SSTC) and the University of Puthisastra (UP). With her extensive background in project coordination, stakeholder engagement, and program implementation, Maraneth is well-prepared to manage this project. She oversees grant requirements and budget, supports the delivery of the university course, and coordinates the work of the Rotary volunteers who provide clinical supervision to course trainees. Maraneth works closely with the Rotary Club of Phnom Penh.

Maraneth will be taking over from Sreynoch Yous, who, as Project

Manager, oversaw the first 16 months of the UP-dysphagia program. Much of the program's success can be attributed to the excellent support and leadership provided by Sreynoch. In addition to managing Rotary grant funds and requirements, Sreynoch played a key role in the development, translation, and delivery of UP lecture and workshop materials. With her warm personality and excellent organizational skills, Sreynoch ensured that course participants and volunteer SLPs received the support they needed.

Sreynoch (center) worked closely with SSTC Administrative Officer Veasna Leng (left) and SSTC Clinical Lead Annie Johnson (right) in the implementation and delivery of the course.

We wish Sreynoch all the best and deeply appreciate all her contributions to STC and SSTC.

The mission at Speech Therapy Cambodia is to provide world-class training and clinical supervision in speech-language pathology, with a focus on dysphagia evaluation and treatment, so that Cambodians experiencing swallowing disorders receive the care they need to live healthy, fulfilling lives. Working in collaboration with SSTC and the University of Puthisastra, their programs provide:

- High-quality education and training for healthcare professionals to assess and treat dysphagia.
- Supervision of trainees by experienced speech-language pathologists to ensure they are properly applying their skills at their hospital or clinic.
- Continuing education opportunities for clinicians to expand their dysphagia knowledge and skills.
- Advocacy to provide dysphagia services throughout Cambodia.

CAOMS JOINS IAOMS IN SINGAPORE



UP, Faculty of Dentistry lecturers in OMF Surgery, A/Prof Phan Sandeth and Dr Cheang Pongleang, recently attended the International Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery (IAOMS) conference in Singapore along with other Cambodian OMF surgeons and postgraduate students. During the conference, the application of the Cambodian Association of Oral Maxillofacial Surgeons (CAOMS) to officially become a member of IAOMS was confirmed by the IAOMS Council.

This is a significant achievement and milestone for the Cambodian Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons (CAOMS), reflecting the collective dedication and tireless efforts of all those involved, especially the Board Members.

BATCH 4 GROUP 49 DENTISTRY THESIS DEFENSE



The Faculty of Dentistry hosted a thesis defense for batch 4 dental students on the 8th of May 2025. The topic of the thesis was "Perceptions of Tutors, Dental Students and Patients Regarding Chairside Health Screening in UPDH". The students were BORANN Voleak Jemmy, KEAN Sereypanhaneath, and NGOV Chekngy. The thesis was supervised by Adj. Prof. HAK Sithan and Dr. SOM Sochenda. The thesis examiner committee was chaired by Dr. Siddharthan Selvaraj, Dr. KONG Kalyan, and Dr. KONG Sophannary. The result was PASS.

The Faculty of Dentistry congratulates the graduates for their achievement.

UP DENTISTRY FACULTY RECOGNIZED WITH AWARD FROM RENOWNED JOURNAL



In the month of May, Professor Anand Marya, the Dean of the Faculty of Dentistry, was honoured by Springer Nature publishers with the Editor of Distinction award for 2025 for his editorial contributions towards the journal BMC Oral Health. Springer Nature or the Springer Nature Group is a world-famous German-British academic publishing company created by the May 2015 merger of Springer Science & Business Media and Holtzbrinck Publishing Group's Nature Publishing Group, Palgrave Macmillan, and Macmillan Education. Springer Nature has tracked 185 million monthly downloads, 24 million monthly readers, and more than 3 million manuscript submissions annually across all its journals.

Professor Anand was recognized for his work with BMC Oral Health, a Q1 ranked journal. BMC Oral Health is an open access, peer-reviewed journal that considers articles on all aspects of the prevention, diagnosis, and management of disorders of the mouth, teeth, and gums, as well as related molecular genetics, pathophysiology, and epidemiology.

The journal BMC Oral Health has a 2023 impact factor of 2.6, according to OIR. Web of Science also reports an impact factor of 2.6 and a 5-year impact factor of 3.2. The journal is ranked in the Q1 category for Dentistry, Oral Surgery & Medicine with a percentage rank of 75.2%. The journal BMC Oral Health is published by BioMed Central Ltd and has an ISSN of 1472-6831.

RESEARCH HIGHLIGHT FROM THE INTERNAL QUALITY ASSURANCE UNIT, ENGAGEMENT AND PARTNERSHIPS DEPARTMENT, UNIVERSITY OF PUTHISAISTRA

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This chapter aimed at discussing the impact of generative artificial intelligence (GenAI) on assessment practices, exploring opportunities for innovative assessment methods, and providing future directions with regard to redesigning assessment in higher education.

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IT MASTER’S BATCH 8 ON PASSING THE STATE EXAM



Congratulations to our IT Master’s Batch 8 on passing the state exam! We sincerely thank all the students for their dedication and perseverance, and our lecturers for their invaluable guidance. Wishing them continued success in your future endeavors!

YOUTH 21 PROGRAM UNDER THE THEME TECHNOPRENEURSHIP: INNOVATION FOR SUSTAINABILITY.

A group of students from the Faculty of Science and Technology proudly participated in the Youth 21 program under the theme Technopreneurship: Innovation for Sustainability. Although our students did not advance to the final stage, the experience proved to be highly valuable. They gained new insights into sustainable innovation, sharpened their entrepreneurial thinking, and learned firsthand how to pitch and refine innovative ideas in a competitive environment. This experience has strengthened their confidence, inspired them to pursue further opportunities, and provided meaningful lessons they can carry forward into future projects and initiatives.



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MASTER STUDENTS' RESEARCH PUBLICATION

Workflow Optimization Using Hybrid Methodologies for Mitigating Overtasking

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Abstract—Overtasking, characterized by excessive workload and task accumulation, is a significant challenge that impacts productivity, diminishes work quality, and contributes to employee burnout. In today's dynamic and fast-paced work environments, addressing overtasking requires a strategic and systematic approach to workflow optimization. This paper explores key strategies, including conducting comprehensive workflow audits, prioritizing tasks, leveraging automation tools, improving communication, ensuring equitable resource allocation, and fostering a culture of feedback. It emphasizes the importance of continuous evaluation and adaptive workflow practices to maintain long-term efficiency and employee well-being. By implementing these approaches, organizations can streamline processes, enhance operational efficiency, and create a sustainable work environment that balances productivity with employee satisfaction. The findings highlight that a proactive and holistic approach to workflow optimization is essential for mitigating overtasking and achieving long-term organizational success.

clear roles. Without a structured approach to workflow design, employees navigate inefficient systems that exacerbate stress and hinder performance. Moreover, the absence of regular workflow audits and adaptive practices prevents organizations from addressing evolving demands and workload imbalances. While many organizations currently follow Agile methodology, it often lacks effectiveness without proper implementation and adaptation.

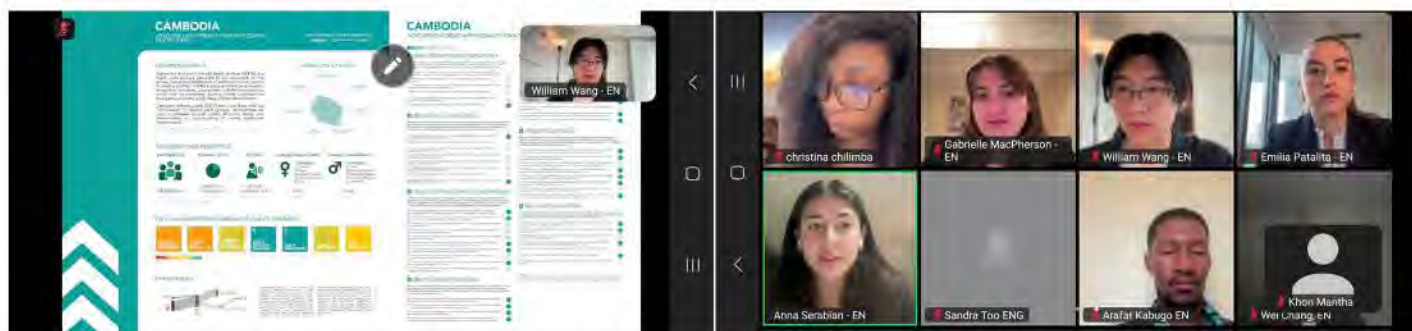
Agile methods adopt an iterative style of workflow management, characterized by planning sprints, conducting daily stand-up meetings, and holding retrospectives to assess progress [5] [12]. Recent studies reveal that Kanban boards are especially useful for visualizing tasks and limiting work in progress, which helps prevent overloading team members. Research on the Kaizen philosophy underscores the impor-

Big Congratulations to Sovnnareach Darom!

A proud moment for the University of Puthisastra — one of our Master of IT students, Sovnnareach Darom, has had his research paper titled "Workflow Optimization Using Hybrid Methodology for Mitigating Overtasking" accepted for publication at the prestigious 16th International IEEE Conference on Software, Knowledge, Information Management and Applications (SKIMA 2024).

This is a great achievement for both Sovnnareach and UP's research excellence!

WEBINAR SERIES ON “CONNECTING RESEARCH AND POLICY”



The Faculty of Science and Technology participated in the Webinar Series on “Connecting Research and Policy”, where participants were introduced to the concept of Implementation Research and explored the vision and mission of the AdLAB (Adaptive Learning and Action for Breakthroughs).

The session also featured inspiring Cambodian Youth Leaders, who shared their own research experiences, challenges, and learnings. This provided valuable insights into how young researchers are contributing to bridging the gap between research and policy in Cambodia.

Overall, the webinar offered us exposure to the world of applied research and highlighted the importance of youth engagement in driving positive change.

“2025 BAG TO SCHOOL” PROJECT



A member of the Faculty of Science and Technology proudly engaged in the “2025 Bag to School” project, organized by JCI Phnom Penh. Through this initiative, 450 students from Tropeang Krobav Primary School and Rako Ta Prom Primary School received school bags, lunch boxes, tumblers, study materials, and snacks — bringing joy, encouragement, and essential support as they continue their education.

The faculty's participation reflects its ongoing commitment to social responsibility, community engagement, and helping nurture the next generation of learners.

ORIENTATION FOR FOUNDATION-YEAR STUDENTS OF THE ASSOCIATE DEGREE OF MEDICAL LABORATORY TECHNOLOGY, FACULTY OF HEALTH SCIENCES AND BIOTECHNOLOGY TO OPEN THE FIRST SEMESTER OF THE NEW ACADEMIC YEAR 2024-2025



On May 23, 2025, the Faculty of Health Sciences and Biotechnology of University of Puthisastra organized an orientation event for the 14th batch of the first-semester associate degree students in the 2024-2025 academic year at University of Puthisastra. This orientation aimed to provide students with an understanding of the use of IT systems at University of Puthisastra, an introduction to the UPOP system, a study tour of the UP laboratories, sharing experiences from senior students, an explanation of laboratory rules, a presentation of the laboratory technology curriculum, including the study schedule, examination rules, attendance management system, payment, and an internship/dormitory program.

The event was organized with the participation of the UP's president, Dean of the Faculty of Health Sciences and Biotechnology, Dean of the Faculty of Midwifery and Nursing, Supervisor of Database and Programming, Digital Learning Facilitator, as well as Laboratory Science staff and students.

Welcome everyone to our faculty

CONGRATULATIONS TO 3 MEDICAL LABORATORY TECHNOLOGY STUDENTS BATCH 14 WHO RECEIVED SCHOLARSHIP FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF PUTHISASTRA!

The Laboratory Sciences Department of the Faculty of Health Science and Biotechnology of University of Puthisastra is proud and congratulate 3 Medical Laboratory technology students' batch 14:

1. Mr. HORN Senghak Received scholarships 100%
2. Ms. LAV Choura Received scholarships 50%
3. Ms. YEM Bopha Received scholarships 50%

Who have received scholarships from the University of Puthisastra. The scholarship offers sponsorship on the tuition fee for the full 3 years and many opportunities with the Laboratory Sciences Department.

We are proud and congratulate all of you for studying hard!

For more information about the ADL program: Please contact us via telegram group "ADL Information UP":

https://t.me/+LZSd4jG_kdo2YTk1



"STAFF AND MEDICAL LABORATORY TECHNOLOGY STUDENTS HAVE ATTENDED THE WORKSHOP: ADVANCED IMMUNOASSAY SOLUTIONS IN CLINICAL LAB TESTING"



On May 24, 2025, staff and Medical Laboratory Technology Students of the Laboratory Department of the University of Puthisastra attended the Workshop "Advanced Immunoassay Solutions in Clinical Lab Testing" focused on topics "PSA and Free PSA" and "Autoimmune disease". The workshop was organized and hosted by SNIIBE Cambodia at Sokha Hotel Phnom Penh, and the participants were from the medical field and from the medical laboratory field as well.

THE FACULTY OF ARTS, HUMANITIES, AND LANGUAGES: STRENGTHENING ACADEMIC INTEGRITY IN THE AGE OF GENERATIVE AI



Addressing concerns related to academic integrity is an ongoing and collective effort of the Faculty of Arts, Humanities, and Languages (AHL). The teams have been actively collaborating within and across faculties and departments to ensure fair validation of the authenticity of students' and staff members' works. These ongoing commitments have led to multiple initiatives being implemented across the courses and programs to minimize and address unethical and unauthorized use of generative AI tools for assessment submissions.

Despite various implementations, the teams occasionally encounter new cases in grey areas, prompting continuous research and innovation in our practices. A significant boost to our progress in maintaining academic integrity was the faculty's participation in the Comparative Education Society of Cambodia's (CESCam) 4th Biennial Conference, held under the theme "Academic Integrity in the Age of Generative AI." On Friday, 23rd May 2025, five representatives from the faculty actively engaged in critical discussions with local and regional experts with extensive experience in the role of digital tools in education, including generative AI.

Throughout the discussions, we exchanged valuable insights from our faculties and institutions, which offered fresh perspectives on the matters and enabled us to explore new possibilities for ensuring quality assessment and education in the era of AI. With knowledge gained from the conference, the faculty is now more prepared than ever to initiate further analysis and implement new initiatives for the betterment of the faculty, the university, and the wider academic community.

FACULTY OF ARTS, HUMANITIES AND LANGUAGES: STRONG ON TEAMBUILDING!



The Faculty of Arts, Humanities and Languages is making great strides in building a truly strong and collaborative team! With our growing team, we're dedicated to fostering excellent team spirit and boosting cooperation both within and between our different groups.

Recently, we held a highly successful staff meeting and team-building event. The meeting wrapped up with an engaging sharing session called "Common Ground - Work Edition." During this session, our teams successfully explored shared challenges, discussed their favorite work tools, and highlighted the exciting projects they're currently working on.

This session left everyone feeling very positive. It reinforced the idea that even as our team expands, challenges become much easier to tackle when we work together. Plus, sharing our knowledge helps all our projects run more smoothly and efficiently. We're excited for a future of continued collaboration and shared success!

THE FACULTY HOPES THIS SMALL EXPERIENCE HELPED PROMOTE AN APPRECIATION FOR CULTURAL PRACTICES THAT ENRICH OUR COMMUNITY AND ENCOURAGE CURIOSITY BEYOND THE CLASSROOM.



Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery: Lecturer Orientation for New Academic Year – Year 1

On Saturday, 23rd May 2025, the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery successfully conducted an online Lecturer Orientation for the new academic year, from 7:45 AM to 12:00 PM.

We are deeply grateful to our University President for delivering an inspiring opening speech and warmly welcoming our guest lecturers. We also extend our sincere thanks to Mrs. Tun Sreypoeu, Dean of the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery, for sharing the faculty's expectations for the upcoming academic year.

We would like to express our appreciation to the presenters who made valuable contributions during the session:

- Mr. YUN Yeatra, IT Department
- Dr. Prom Virak, Chair of AIB
- Mr. Roeung Manith, QLTs
- Mr. Cheab Sambath, Teaching and Learning Manager
- Nursing and Midwifery Faculty Staff

Purpose of the Lecturer Orientation

The Lecturer Orientation for New Academics is designed to ensure that newly appointed lecturers are well-prepared, informed, and supported as they begin their teaching journey. The orientation aims to:

1. Facilitate Smooth Transition: Help new lecturers adjust to the institution's culture, policies, and expectations.
2. Provide Clarity on Roles and Responsibilities: Clearly outline academic, administrative, and professional duties.
3. Enhance Teaching Effectiveness: Familiarize lecturers with curriculum, teaching resources, and best practices.
4. Promote Understanding of Policies: Raise awareness of academic integrity, grading systems and institutional regulations.
5. Current System Use: Let lecturers know about our system used to support teaching and learning in the university of Puthisastra.
6. Assessment Policies: Ensure lecturers understand the university's assessment policies and their responsibilities in implementation.

Overall, the orientation is intended to help new lecturers feel confident, informed, and connected, enabling them to thrive in both their teaching and scholarly responsibilities.

UNIVERSITY OF PUTHISAstra CONTRIBUTES TO THE REVIEW ON THE DRAFT COURSE SYLLABI DEVELOPMENT FOR THE NATIONAL CURRICULUM BACHELOR SCIENCE IN MIDWIFERY PROGRAM



Ms. Nov Sreyroth, Deputy Dean of Midwifery at the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery, University of Puthisastra, participated in a national workshop organized by the Ministry of Health from May 19–21, 2025, at the University of Kampong Cham.

The purpose of the workshop was to review and improve the draft detailed course syllabi for the Bachelor of Midwifery program. A total of 72 course syllabi were planned for review, of which 16 had already been reviewed in 2024. Specifically, during this three-day workshop, an additional 22 syllabi were reviewed. These included:

- English & French Medical Terminology
- Physiology in Postpartum
- Midwifery Care During Postpartum
- Physiology of the Newborn
- Clinical Management of Maternity Emergency
- Diagnosis & Treatment
- Integrated Management of Childhood Illness (IMCI)
- Diagnosis & Treatment of the Newborn
- Midwifery Care for Small and Sick Babies
- Principles of Pharmacology
- Ethics, Ethical Theories, and Principles
- Legislation and Regulation of the Profession
- Signs and Symptoms, Diagnosis, Treatment, and/or Referral in Pregnancy
- Adolescent Sexual and Reproductive Health
- Healthcare for Women Experiencing Gender-Based Violence (GBV) and Violence Against Women (VAW)
- Basic Knowledge of Nutrition
- Malnutrition
- Nutrition Promotion
- Basic Microbiology and Parasitology
- Human Ecology
- Anatomy and Physiology in Childbearing
- Respectful Midwifery Care During Labour and Delivery.

These syllabi were reviewed to ensure alignment with national standards and to improve the quality of education.

This participation reflects the strong commitment of the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery, as well as the University of Puthisastra, in strengthening midwifery education and contributing to the improvement of maternal and newborn health in Cambodia.

UP-UYFC CO-HOSTS 7TH DISCOVERY FESTIVAL AT THE UNIVERSITY OF PUTHISASTRA



Phnom Penh: On Tuesday May 20, 2025, Prof. Chea Sin, the leadership committee of the Youth Volunteer of the Union of Youth Federations of Cambodia (UYFC) at the University of Puthisastra leads the member of the UP-UYFC in participating in the 7th Discovery Festival held at the University of Puthisastra. The event spanned three days, from May 20 to 22, 2025.

The Skills Fair was organized to provide opportunities for high school students—particularly those in grade 12—to explore university-level skills and career paths. Activities at the fair included:

- Information on a variety of skills such as pharmacy, dentistry, medicine, nursing, midwifery, laboratory technology, information science, research science, and English.
- Scholarship information
- University-level professional counseling
- Extracurricular activities and professional development opportunities

The participation of the Union of Youth Federations of Cambodia (UYFC) at the University of Puthisastra played a significant role in supporting and enhancing the education sector in the Kingdom of Cambodia.

FACULTY OF PHARMACY'S EXHIBITION BOOTH SHINES BRIGHTEST AT THE 7TH DISCOVERY FESTIVAL



The Faculty of Pharmacy Booth at the 7th Discovery Festival (May 20-22, 2025) stood out as one of the most impressive exhibitions, showcasing the remarkable achievements and innovations of the Faculty of Pharmacy at the University of Puthisastra. On the first day of the event, after delivering the opening remarks, Professor Ian Rouse, President and Vice-Chancellor of the University of Puthisastra, visited various booths, including the Faculty of Pharmacy's exhibition booth. During his visit, Professor Rouse expressed great interest and appreciation for the faculty's achievements and research presentations. The innovative and engaging displays by both staff and students highlighted the faculty's commitment to academic excellence and creativity in pharmaceutical sciences.

The booth featured live demonstrations, including medicine production techniques, essential oil extraction, and engaging science experiments, providing visitors—especially Grade 12 high school students—with an interactive and educational experience. Students had the opportunity to engage in microscope demonstrations of blood cells and bacteria, while also receiving career counseling and insights into pharmacy programs. The interactive activities allowed students to explore various aspects of the pharmaceutical sciences, highlighting the faculty's commitment to academic excellence and fostering community engagement. Over the course of 3 consecutive days, your passion, teamwork, and commitment brought our faculty's exhibition to life — sharing knowledge, creativity, and the spirit of pharmacy with more than 5,000 Grade 12 students from various high schools across Phnom Penh.

Thank you to the inspiring Faculty of Pharmacy's leader, member and our dedicated volunteer students for your incredible effort and hard work during the 7th Discovery Festival at the University of Puthisastra! You truly made an impact and represented the Faculty of Pharmacy with pride and excellence!

THE FACULTY OF HEALTH SCIENCES AND BIOTECHNOLOGY SUCCESSFULLY PARTICIPATED IN THE DISCOVERY FESTIVAL 2025 ORGANIZED BY UNIVERSITY OF PUTHISAstra



On May 20-22, 2025, the Faculty of Health Sciences and Biotechnology participated in the Discovery Festival, providing learning about academic skills and scholarship information on medical laboratory technology to an enormous number of high school students. This event has provided opportunities for all students with many activities such as:

- Free blood group testing
- Learn about the Medical Laboratory Technology curriculum
- Learn about the shape of blood cells, bacteria, and virus cultivation
- Entertainment activities with a chance to get the souvenirs.

Participation is free of charge!

For more information about the curriculum, please inquire via the ADL Information UP Telegram group:

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FY'S BOOST DURING THE 7TH DISCOVERY FESTIVAL 2025



The Foundation Year Department took part in the 7th Discovery Festival, which was held at the University of Puthisastra over three full days in May 20–22, 2025.

During this event, FY provided information about UP's bachelor's degrees in Health Science, IT, English, and Research to potential students from several high schools in Phnom Penh city.

Additionally, students had fun participating in general knowledge trivia Kahoot quizzes, an organ identification game, and an eye-hand coordination challenge for small prizes and a memento of their time at UP's Discovery Festival 2025.

Every year, the Discovery Festival is a significant gathering for high school students, offering them information and advice on selecting their college majors and future preparation.

Foundation Year was honored to participate in and encourage this wonderful chance to help our community and establish connections with potential students!

FACULTY OF DENTISTRY SHINES AT UP DISCOVERY FESTIVAL 2025



The Faculty of Dentistry gladly participated in the UP-Discovery Festival 2025, highlighting the importance of oral health to overall well-being. Visitors had the opportunity to learn more about dentistry through interactive exhibits, hands-on dental demonstrations, and engaging educational activities.

From tooth anatomy and preventive care to digital dental technologies, our students and staff inspired future health professionals and educated the public on the importance of a healthy smile.

The event was a great success, reflecting the faculty's commitment to excellence, innovation, and community engagement.

HENNA CLASS PREPARES STUDENTS FOR DISCOVERY FESTIVAL

In preparation for the Discovery Festival, the Faculty of Arts, Humanities and Languages hosted a henna class, facilitated by Ms. RY Rangsey to help student volunteers learn the art of henna design. The goal was to offer henna tattoos as prizes at the faculty booth for students who participated in games and activities. The henna booth quickly became a highlight of the festival, drawing students eager to try something new. As volunteers carefully applied each design, visitors not only received a beautiful temporary tattoo. The activity sparked conversations and curiosity, creating a meaningful exchange that went beyond the fun of the festival.

BOOTH OF FACULTY OF MEDICINE DURING THE 7TH UP DISCOVERY FESTIVAL



The 7th Discovery Festival (2025) was a three-day open university event held from May 20 to 22, 2025, at the University of Puthisastra (UP) campus in Phnom Penh. Approximately 4,000 Grade 12 students from 10 different high schools participated, exploring UP's diverse academic programs and interactive booths. The Faculty of Medicine hosted an engaging booth that attracted significant attention from students. Visitors had the opportunity to observe and practice basic medical skills such as cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and suturing techniques. An interactive game challenged students to identify internal organs, enhancing their understanding of human anatomy. Many students also enjoyed taking photos wearing white coats and stethoscopes, immersing themselves in the role of medical professionals. This Discovery Festival served as an eye-opening experience for high school students in the grade 12, providing them with hands-on exposure to various academic disciplines. By engaging with different faculty booths, students gained valuable insights into potential university programs, aiding them in making informed decisions about their higher education paths.

UP LECTURER PUBLISHES ARTICLE IN JOURNAL OF ADVANCES IN ORAL AND MAXILLOFACIAL SURGERY

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Ameloblastoma: Retrospective single institute study and analysis of 86 subjects

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The aim of this study was to investigate the results of ameloblastoma treated at a single Cambodian institute



Dr. Cheang Pengleang, Lecturer in Head & Neck Anatomy and Oral Maxillofacial Surgery, recently published an article in the Journal of Advances in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery. The article was a case series of patients from Ang Duong Hospital with ameloblastoma of the jaw. Each year, hundreds of Cambodian patients suffer from this condition, and many require extensive jaw surgery. In some cases, the whole jaw needs to be removed. Congratulations to Dr Pengleang and the OMF surgical team at Ang Duong Hospital, led by A/Prof Phan Sandeth, for highlighting this important condition in the Cambodian population.