Guidelines and Preventive Measures against the Spread of COVID-19 during the Graduation Ceremony for the Academic Years of 2020 and 2021

for Mahidol University's Graduates

(1) Before the Graduation Ceremony

- 1.1 All graduates should be fully vaccinated for COVID-19 according to the vaccination guidelines set forth by the Ministry of Public Health (MOPH) of Thailand or the World Health Organization (WHO)
 - 1.1.1 Unvaccinated/ not fully vaccinated/ not boosted graduates are advised to get vaccinated and boosted for COVID- 19 according to the vaccination guidelines set forth by MOPH or WHO immediately.
 - 1.1.2 Graduates who have received 2 doses of Pfizer/Moderna or whose latest booster dose was either AstraZeneca, Moderna or Pfizer are required to provide proof of vaccinations via https://covid19screening.mahidol.ac.th (only submit once before the first rehearsal) Available from 1 August 2022.
 - 1.1.3 Graduates who are unable to receive vaccination due to chronic diseases, congenital diseases, allergies, or medical conditions that a physician/nurse practitioner has determined unable to receive any COVID-19 vaccine; or who had contracted COVID-19 and recovered are required to present a medical certificate to the faculty/college/institute they belong prior to the first rehearsal.
- 1.2 Graduates are advised to keep themselves healthy, take sufficient rest, and observe for symptoms such as fever, cough, sore throat, runny nose, headache, muscle pain, shortness of breath, impaired sense of smell, etc. Immediately seek medical attention should one of the symptoms manifest.
- 1.3 Avoid traveling to crowded places or areas with a high risk of infection, such as entertainment venues, pubs, bars, and cinemas.

(2) First Rehearsal

2.1 Graduates fully vaccinated for COVID-19, according to the vaccination guidelines set forth by MOPH or WHO, are required to submit proof of having received 2 doses of Pfizer/Moderna or having AstraZeneca, Moderna or Pfizer as their latest booster dose via https://covid19screening.mahidol.ac.th (only submit once before the first rehearsal).

Graduates must test negative on the self-test ATK (Antigen Test Kit) within 48 hours before the first rehearsal and be responsible for any cost inflicted. Then, take a photo of the test result together with their ID card/passport and report as specified by each faculty/college/institute. Mahidol University reserves the right to deny participation at the first rehearsal, grand rehearsal, and graduation ceremony to graduates who tested positive for COVID-19.

2.2 Graduates who are unvaccinated must report their lack of vaccination and specify reasons or provide a medical certificate via https://covid19screening.mahidol.ac.th (only submit once before the first rehearsal). Graduates who have not yet received a booster dose or received vaccines not specified in 2.1 must submit proof of COVID-19 vaccination history via the same university's screening system above.

Graduates must test negative on the professional ATK (Antigen Test Kit) at a clinic or hospital within 48 hours before the first rehearsal and be responsible for any cost inflicted. Then, take a photo of the test result together with their ID card/passport and report as specified by each faculty/college/institute. Mahidol University reserves the right to deny participation at the first rehearsal, grand rehearsal, and graduation ceremony to graduates who tested positive for COVID-19.

- 2.3 All graduates are required to wear face masks, have their temperatures checked at the screening point, keep a social distance, and wash hands with alcohol gel regularly. Graduates with a body temperature above 37.5 °C will be asked to rest for 10 minutes before the second screening. Should the temperature remain high, the graduates will undergo the COVID-19 risk assessment procedure.
- 2.4 Graduates who were exposed to a high risk of COVID-19 infection must inform the staff upon reporting for the first rehearsal and wear face masks correctly all the time.

2.5 Graduates who had contracted COVID-19 and recovered must present a medical certificate to the staff upon reporting for the first rehearsal and wear face masks correctly all the time.

(3) Grand Rehearsal

3. 1 Graduates who are fully vaccinated for COVID-19 according to the vaccination guidelines set forth by MOPH or WHO—having received 2 doses of Pfizer/Moderna or having AstraZeneca, Moderna or Pfizer as their latest booster dose—

must test negative on the self-test ATK (Antigen Test Kit) within 48 hours before the grand rehearsal and be responsible for any cost inflicted. Then, take a photo of the test result together with their ID card/passport and report to https://covid19screening.mahidol.ac.th. Mahidol University reserves the right to deny participation at the grand rehearsal and graduation ceremony to graduates who tested positive for COVID-19.

3.2 Graduates who are unvaccinated/not boosted/received vaccines not specified in 3.1

must test negative on the professional ATK (Antigen Test Kit) at a clinic or hospital within 48 hours before the grand rehearsal and be responsible for any cost inflicted. Then, take a photo of the test result together with their ID card/ passport and report to https://covid19screening.mahidol.ac.th. Mahidol University reserves the right to deny participation at the grand rehearsal and graduation ceremony to graduates who tested positive for COVID-19.

3.3 All graduates are required to wear face masks, have their temperatures checked at the screening point, keep a social distance, and wash hands with alcohol gel regularly. Graduates with a body temperature above 37.5 °C will be asked to rest for 10 minutes before the second screening. Should the temperature remain high, the graduates will undergo the COVID-19 risk assessment using the professional ATK (Antigen Test Kit) at the screening point arranged by the university. Should the graduates test negative on the ATK, they will be allowed to participate. Mahidol University reserves the right to deny participation at the grand rehearsal and graduation ceremony to graduates who tested positive for COVID-19.

- 3.4 Graduates who were exposed to a high risk of COVID-19 infection must inform the staff upon reporting for the grand rehearsal and wear face masks correctly all the time.
- 3. 5 Graduates who had contracted COVID-19 and recovered must present a medical certificate to the staff upon reporting for the grand rehearsal and wear face masks correctly all the time.

(4) Graduation Ceremony

4. 1 Graduates who are fully vaccinated for COVID-19 according to the vaccination guidelines set forth by MOPH or WHO—having received 2 doses of Pfizer/Moderna or having AstraZeneca, Moderna or Pfizer as their latest booster dose—

must test negative on the self-test ATK (Antigen Test Kit) within 48 hours before the graduation ceremony and be responsible for any cost inflicted. Then, take a photo of the test result together with their ID card/passport and report to https://covid19screening.mahidol.ac.th. Mahidol University reserves the right to deny participation at the graduation ceremony to graduates who tested positive for COVID-19.

4.2 Graduates who are unvaccinated/not boosted/received vaccines not specified in 4.1 must test negative on the RT-PCR (Real Time PCR) at a clinic or hospital within 48 hours before the grand rehearsal and be responsible for any cost inflicted. Then, take a photo of the test result together with their ID card/ passport and report to https://covid19screening.mahidol.ac.th, Mahidol University reserves the right to deny participation at the graduation ceremony to graduates who tested positive for COVID-19.

4.3 All graduates are required to wear face masks, have their temperatures checked at the screening point, keep a social distance, and wash hands with alcohol gel regularly. Graduates with a body temperature above 37.5 °C will be asked to rest for 10 minutes before the second screening. Should the temperature remain high, the graduates will undergo the COVID-19 risk assessment using the professional ATK (Antigen Test Kit) at the screening point arranged by the university. Should the graduates test negative on the ATK, they will be allowed to participate. Mahidol University reserves the right to deny participation at the graduation ceremony to graduates who tested positive for COVID-19.

- 4.4 Graduates who were exposed to a high risk of COVID-19 infection must inform the staff upon reporting for the graduation ceremony and wear face masks correctly all the time.
- 4. 5 Graduates who had contracted COVID-19 and recovered must present a medical certificate to the staff upon reporting for the graduation ceremony and wear face masks correctly all the time.
- 4.6 Graduates who experience symptoms such as fever, cough, sore throat, runny nose, headache, muscle pain, shortness of breath, impaired sense of smell, etc. must inform their faculty/college/institute staff or university staff immediately.
- (5) In the 14 days after the graduation ceremony, graduates are encouraged to strictly practice the MOPH's COVID-19 prevention measures, or the 'DMHTTA' measures (Distancing Mask wearing Hand washing Temperature Testing Application). Graduates who tested positive for COVID-19 afterward are to report to their faculty/college/institute immediately and follow the ensuing measures from MOPH.
- (6) Should any case arouse suspicion of COVID-19 infection risk, the chair of the graduation ceremony organizing committee for the academic years of 2020 and 2021 shall make the final decision.

Screening System for the Prevention and Containment of COVID-19 Infection during the Graduation Ceremony for the Academic Years of 2020 and 2021

Available at https://covid19screening.mahidol.ac.th

Academic Year 2020	Report of Vaccination History	Report of COVID-19 Testing
First Rehearsal		Report as specified by each
	System available from	faculty/college/institute
Grand Rehearsal	1 August 2022 until the day	10 October 2022, 00.00 hrs.
(12 October 2022)	before the first rehearsal	-
		11 October 2022, 16.00 hrs.
Graduation Ceremony		12 October 2022, 00.00 hrs.
(14 October 2022)		-
		13 October 2022, 16.00 hrs.

^{*}The faculty/college/institute is responsible for the review and approval of the reports from graduates under its affiliation through the screening system*

Academic Year 2021	Report of Vaccination History	Report of COVID-19 Testing
First Rehearsal		Report as specified by each
	System available from	faculty/college/institute
Grand Rehearsal	1 August 2022 until the day	20 October 2022, 00.00 hrs.
(22 October 2022)	before the first rehearsal	-
		21 October 2022, 16.00 hrs.
Graduation Ceremony		22 October 2022, 00.00 hrs.
(24 October 2022)		-
		23 October 2022, 16.00 hrs.

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