



## **Prince of Songkla University Announcement**

**Subject: Opening of Semester 2/2021 postponed to 7 December 2021**

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The Center for COVID-19 Situation Administration (CCSA) considered to revise the COVID-19 control measures by allowing the use of educational institutions' buildings to implement activities, and the Ministry of Higher Education, Science, Research, and Innovation has specified guidelines, regulations, and conditions for opening educational institutions by emphasizing the use of maximum control and monitoring measures according to public health guidelines.

Regarding the epidemic situation in the south of the country, particularly the unresolved outbreak in certain provinces where the PSU campuses are located, and to prevent the spread of infection, the university places the highest importance on social responsibility, safety of students, personnel and all stakeholders. In order for teaching and learning management during this pandemic situation to be able to operate under the guidelines, regulations and conditions for opening educational institutions specified by the Ministry of Higher Education, Science, Research and Innovation, the university must be prepared by ensuring that all students and staff who will come to study and work at the university are fully vaccinated (except those with legitimate medical exceptions). The university is currently in the process of providing vaccines to students, and will complete the vaccination for students before the start of the semester. The detailed schedule will be available to students at a later date. Prince of Songkla University needs to postpone the opening of the semester 2/2021 to 7 December 2021.

The university has the intention and commitment to develop human resources with quality, desired skills in all courses, and focusing on the development of a proactive teaching and learning management model in hybrid learning, alongside enhancing the innovation of educational management in theory and practice, accompanied by effective evaluation. Teaching and learning management in semester 2/2021 takes a hybrid learning approach, which includes both online learning and on-site learning to practice essential practical skills, along other integrated aspects of teaching and learning management that can measure and assess learning outcomes according to the objectives specified in the course.

In case any campus is unable to meet projected deadlines for the opening of semester 2/2021 as currently scheduled, the Vice President for the relevant campus is authorized to specify the proper date, with consideration to the particular situation and the readiness of that campus.

Please be informed and act accordingly.

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