

## **CRRT Notice (71): Relaxation of Social Distancing Measures and Arrangements for Campus Events and Visitors**

COVID-19 Rapid Response Taskforce  
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Dear Colleagues and Students

Given that the Government will suitably relax most of the social distancing measures from 21 April 2022 in phases, the Taskforce has reviewed the existing campus measures and adopted the following with effect on the same date:

### **a) Catering Premises**

Subject to the caterers' manpower resources and service demand, the opening hours of catering outlets may be extended from 6 pm to 10 pm with a maximum of four people per table. Details of their opening hours will be announced duly by the Catering Committee.

### **b) Scheduled Premises**

The allowable number of persons, performance types, activities, group size, mask-on requirement and related control measures at Jockey Club Auditorium (JCA), Chiang Chen Studio Theater (CCST), sports premises and fitness rooms should follow the requirements applicable to scheduled premises under Cap. 599F. Currently, it should be no more than 50% of the designated seating/occupancy capacity.

### **c) Flag-raising Ceremony**

The flag-raising ceremony will resume starting from 25 April 2022. Participants should observe the social distancing measures and protocol set out by the Campus Facilities and Sustainability Office.

### **d) Essential Campus Events and Meetings**

Based on the current epidemic situation, departments should avoid organising non-essential face-to-face campus activities. For essential campus events other than teaching and learning, departments are required to observe the recommended venue capacity.

The normal participant number should not exceed 50% of the designated seating capacity of the venue. In general, performers or speakers should remain on stage or in a designated area so as to maintain adequate distance from the audience during performances or activities. This is to minimise close physical contact in the events. Depending on the venue setting, participants should either sit in alternate fixed seats or keep at least 1.5 metres apart from each other and wear masks.

This 50% seating capacity rule will supersede the maximum 4-person limit for face-to-face meetings as outlined in the "CRRT Notice (19): Enhanced Social Distancing Measures on Campus" dated 23 February 2022.

For teaching and learning arrangements, please refer to the latest announcements on Learning, Teaching and Assessment placed under the [Info Hub](#) of COVID-19.

#### **e) Campus Access by Visitors**

All campus visitors are required to seek prior endorsement from sponsoring departments. The existing application arrangement through the CFSO Visitor Registration System (<https://fmovrs.polyu.edu.hk/vrs>) will prevail. To align with the vaccine pass for campus access, it is a must for all visitors to use the LeaveHomeSafe (LHS) mobile application to scan the venue QR code being displayed at all entrances to the Campus. Once the visitor scans the code, LHS will automatically display the QR code of their vaccination record or exemption certificate to indicate their compliance with the PolyU Vaccine Pass.

#### **f) Group Gatherings**

Unless exempted, the maximum number of people permitted for group gatherings in public places will be limited to four.

Staff and students are reminded to update their COVID-19 vaccination and recovery status in the University CVSR portal (<https://cvsr.polyu.edu.hk/>) as soon as possible for campus access in accordance with the PolyU Vaccine Pass requirement.

The University will review and adjust the social distancing measures as needed in response to the epidemic situation and the Government's anti-epidemic requirements.

Please stay vigilant and keep well.

Best regards,  
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