

Learning and Teaching Arrangements in the 2021/22 Academic Year

Academic Registry

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Dear Students

Welcome to the 2021/22 academic year! I hope you all have had a safe and refreshing summer break.

To facilitate your planning for the coming semester which will commence on 30 August 2021, I would like to encourage you to revisit the Notice on Arrangements for Learning, Teaching and Assessment for Semester One of 2021/22 (dated 1 June 2021).

Salient points of the Notice and other useful information are provided below for your easy reference:

Delivery mode of general learning and teaching activities

Learning and teaching will be delivered face-to-face (f2f) and online simultaneously, i.e., in a hybrid mode, irrespective of the class size and forms of instruction, e.g. lectures, seminars and tutorials. All lectures, seminars and tutorials will be video-taped and uploaded to the LMS for students' reference.

Delivery mode of essential learning and teaching activities

Essential learning and teaching activities taking the form of practicums, clinical skills training, hands-on laboratory sessions, placements, trainings, studio sessions, field studies and the like will be conducted f2f.

Notwithstanding the above arrangements, f2f activities may be reviewed with reference to the latest health and travel advice as issued by the HKSAR if the COVID-19 pandemic situation worsens significantly.

For students who will not be in Hong Kong

If students cannot return to campus in time, they are advised to attend classes online. Students shall consult their subject teachers beforehand if they wish to register for subjects that require f2f participation (e.g. practicums, clinical placements). For instance, students may be advised in advance not to register for subjects with these activities if arrangements to fully achieve the learning

outcomes cannot be made.

Students are reminded to check [here](#) for the latest Learning, Teaching and Assessment (LTA) information (i.e. whether a subject consists of essential LTA activities to be conducted via f2f mode) for the subjects offered in Semester One, 2021/22.

Questions and Answers on Learning, Teaching, Assessment (LTA) arrangements

A list of Questions and Answers on LTA arrangements for Semester One, 2021/22 (including those for Service-Learning subjects) is now posted on the Academic Registry's homepage for ALL students' information. The list will also be updated from time to time as and when necessary.

Other Useful Information

- Students are required to observe the vaccination and self-reporting arrangements announced to them earlier for attending f2f classes and to update their vaccination status via [University COVID-19 Self-Report Portal](#).
- As students should have either taken vaccines or undertaken weekly testing for f2f classes, the requirement of sitting in every other seat will not apply to general teaching classrooms and they will operate at full capacity.
- To facilitate the smooth running of hybrid teaching in Semester One, subject teachers are requested to allow a 15-minute break between classes for all subjects instead of 10 minutes as currently practised. For instance, a class will end at 11.15 am instead of 11.20 am., followed by a subsequent class starting at 11.30 am.
- For information about the schedules of subject registration, fee payment, examination and assessment activities for the coming semester, please be reminded that they could be found on this [webpage](#).

Enquiries

If you have any questions, please contact:

Medical Related Enquiries

University Health Service (UHS) via email at uhshelp@polyu.edu.hk.

Technical Issues Related to COVID-19 Self-Report Portal

IT HelpCentre of the Information Technology Services Office (ITS) at 2766 5900

In-house COVID-19 PCR Test Enquiries

Department of Applied Biology and Chemical Technology (ABCT) via email
at covid.survey@polyu.edu.hk

LTA Arrangements

Academic Registry [hotline: (852) 2333 0600 or email: ar.dept@polyu.edu.hk]

Please also consult your academic advisor or programme leader if you have any problems with your studies in the coming Semester.

Please stay vigilant and well. We wish you every success in the new academic year.

Yours sincerely,

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