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Smooth return of UMP students following SOP

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KUANTAN, 6 March 2021 - The process of returning to campus for Universiti Malaysia Pahang (UMP) students on 6 & 7 March 6 went smoothly when all students followed the standard operating procedures (SOP) after being given permission to return to the campus.

They are the groups of students who will undergo activities involving practical work, laboratories, practical training, workshops and special equipment involving six categories following the announcement of the Ministry of Higher Education (MOHE) recently.

According to the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Student Affairs & Alumni), Professor Dato' Dr. Yuserrie Zainuddin, who is also the Chairman of the Student Management Task Force Committee (New Norm) said, it is expected that 4,070 students will return to the campus on a scheduled basis on 6 & 7 March, 13 & 14 March, and 20 & 21 March 2021.

"UMP has also considered students who do not have internet access and a conducive learning environment for the online teaching and learning (T&L) activities to return to the campus," he said.

They also identified bus service for students, including all students from Borneo and international students from Kuala Lumpur International Airport (KLIA) to UMP in collaboration with Yayasan UMP.

He appreciated the commitment of the safety and health personnel from the UMP Health Centre, Security Division, Student Affairs and Alumni Department, Academic & International Affairs Department, the Office of the Vice-Chancellor and Yayasan UMP.

Simulation and preparation were done over the past month to ensure a smooth operation and make sure the campus is safe and free from COVID-19 spread.

Meanwhile, the Dean of Student Services, Student Affairs and Alumni Department (JHEPA), Associate Professor Dr. Mansor Sulaiman said that the return of these students requires all to be vigilant to ensure that campuses are free from COVID-19 threat.

"We would like to advise the students to adhere to the time slots that have been set in order not to interfere with the arranged admissions process.

"Meanwhile, only registered students are allowed to return to the campus," he said, advising students who will return in the next sessions to follow the stipulated rules.

His team received the cooperation of UMP frontliners, staff volunteers and the Student Representative Council (MPP) in moving together to facilitate matters regarding campus well-being, students' welfare, SOP compliance and others.

UMP also established an Isolation Monitoring Committee to ensure compliance with the SOPs during the isolation period.

All students are required to undergo health screening at the University Health Centre (PKU) according to health categories for monitoring purpose throughout the 10-day isolation period at the designated residences.

The Student Management Task Force Committee (New Norm) also published the Student Admission Guidelines Book as a reference for students and various related parties.

This group includes all students from Technology Programmes including new February intakes for Semester II, Academic Session 2020/2021; all students from UMP-Germany Collaboration Programmes including new February intakes for Semester II, Academic Session 2020/2021; Year 3 students from Engineering Technology Programmes; Year 3 students from Industrial Technology Management Programmes; and Year 3 students from the Faculty of Industrial Sciences and

Technology.
Also allowed to return to campus are the Final Year students from the College of Engineering, Final Year students (Year 2, Academic Session 2020/2021) from Diploma programmes; and new international students for Academic Session 2020/2021 (except for the United Kingdom).

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