

COMMENCEMENT OF OFFLINE REGULAR CLASSES

Keeping in view of the COVID-19 pandemic and subsequent lockdown, the University and the faculty have put in their best effort to continue the academic programmes and complete the syllabus using various online mode of teaching and learning such as Google Classroom, Googlemeet, Zoom etc since the closure from mid-March onwards.

In order to ensure continuity in teaching-learning process and to relive the student from the uncertainties regarding their career, mode of functioning of the university, including the conduct of physical classes and with the view of the notification issued by the Government of Sikkim with reference to the instruction passed by the competent authority and the UGC for reopening the Universities and Colleges vide notification Ref No: 772/DIR/HE/EDN dated 20/11/2020. The Apex Committee has recommended for resuming physical regular classes (Offline) adhering to the COVID-19 Pandemic SOP issued by the Competent Authority. The following are the recommendation:

1. Academic Calendar for the Even and ODD semester for the academic year 2021
2. Five (5) days week pattern (Monday to Friday) to be followed by the Academic Department to conduct contact classes (offline) for the remaining session for the 1st semester (2020 Batch) from 1st February, 2021.
3. Five (5) days week pattern (Monday to Friday) for the Senior Batches Even Semesters contact regular (Offline) classes from 22nd February 2021, immediately after the End Term Examination that is schedule on 8th February-19th February, 2021 vide notification No IUS/GTK/RG/10 dated 12/01/2021.

The Vice Chancellor has approved the above recommendations for the implementation with immediate effect.

In regard to the same the outstation students are advised to return to the state of Sikkim, and advised to follow the following instruction.

1. Students are advice to take the undertaking of the parents/ guardian to attend the classes. The same should be submitted to the dean office on or before 30th January, 2021. Consent of the parents/ guardian to attend classes is mandatory.
2. Physical distancing of atleast 6 feet to be followed in and around the campus.
3. Use of face covers/masks is mandatory.
4. Frequent hand wash with soap (for atleast 40-60 seconds) even when hands are not visibly dirty and use of alcholo-based hand sanitizer are to be done when ever feasible.



5. Respiratory etiquettes to be strictly followed. This involves strict practice of covering one's mouth and nose while coughing/sneezing with a tissue/ handkerchief/flexed elbow and disposing of used tissues properly.
6. Self- monitoring of health by all and reporting any illness at the earliest.
7. Spitting in and around campus is strictly prohibited.
8. Mandatory Installation and use of Aarogya Setu App.

The University follows various COVID-19 guidelines/order issued by the Government of India/State Government of Sikkim from time to time. It is the students' responsibility to strictly adhere to the COVID-19 safety instruction and breach may make them vulnerable to get infected. We request all the students to always abide by the prescribed norms to keep themselves safe. However, University will not be responsible or liable for any prosecution in any such cases.


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