

FAQs Concerning Stepping Up COVID-19 Control Measures

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1. Why does the University require all the University members get fully vaccinated for entry into the Campuses? Why not allow the University members to make choices?	To reduce the impacts of COVID-19 on public health and society, vaccines against COVID-19 are considered an important public health tool for containing the pandemic in the medium and long term. The University strongly encourages all University members (students and staff) to be vaccinated. For those who cannot be vaccinated on time to meet the new campus access control arrangement which will become effective on October 1, 2021, they are required to provide a negative result for a COVID-19 test carried out by a Government recognised route for testing in the last 14 days for entry into the Campuses.
2. Is there any option other than getting vaccinated or obtaining COVID-19 tests?	No. Please refer to Question 1.
Health Declaration & Campus Access Control	
3. As the new arrangements will become effective as of 1 October, do I have to get the second dose vaccinated on or before 17 September?	Yes, if you need to enter the Campuses on 1 October 2021. EXAMPLE If you need to enter on Monday 4 October 2021 , you must either <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be fully vaccinated on or before 20 September 2021, or • Obtain a negative test result for a COVID-19 test carried out on any day from 20 September 2021 to 4 October 2021 at a government route for testing. However, please take note of the time needed for the test result to be issued after the testing is conducted. The test result must be available when you enter the Campuses.
4. Is there any accepted COVID-19 vaccine list for fulfilling the vaccination requirement?	Please refer to the List of COVID-19 Vaccines recognised by the HKSAR Government (Link).

<p>5. I have recovered from COVID-19 infection and am required to have received one dose of COVID-19 vaccine only, can I enter the Campuses?</p>	<p>If your health condition only requires you to take one dose of vaccination to become “fully vaccinated”, then you can enter Campuses 14 days after your dose of vaccination.</p> <p>Please upload the medical note that confirms you do not need to take the second dose. If you have any difficulties, please contact the SHS Section of EO (Tel: 3411 7997 / Email: shs@hkbu.edu.hk).</p>
<p>6. I cannot take vaccination for medical reasons but will undergo COVID-19 testing. Do I have to provide medical proof?</p>	<p>No, you just need to upload your valid negative COVID-19 test record via Health Declaration Form on the HKBU Mobile app.</p> <p>A valid negative COVID-19 test record means the COVID-19 test carried out by a Government recognised route for testing (Link) in the last 14 days prior to the day you enter the Campuses. Please refer to the example in Question 3 to see how the 14 days counts. If you need to enter the Campuses every day without being fully vaccinated, you must carry out COVID-19 test at least once every 14 days such that you can have continued access to campus.</p>
<p>7. I cannot take vaccination for medical reasons currently under the suggestions of doctor. How could I enter the Campuses?</p>	<p>Please refer to Question 6.</p>
<p>8. Are students registered with special educational needs exempted from the COVID-19 control measure?</p>	<p>No, the fully vaccinated / negative COVID-19 test requirement for campus access applies to ALL University members (students and staff) and contractors who need to enter HKBU Campuses except for a specific group stated in the announcement on the subject matter.</p>
<p>COVID-19 Test</p>	
<p>9. How much is the COVID testing fee?</p>	<p>Different organisations are offering COVID-19 test and the charges are different. Please refer to the following website: https://www.coronavirus.gov.hk/eng/early-testing.html</p>

10. I am a chronically ill patient in wheelchair and unfit for vaccination, and can do the COVID-19 test only. Does the University provide on campus COVID-19 test service?	The COVID-19 test is not available on campus. For further assistance, please contact USSEN of SA (Tel: 3411 2824 Email: ussen@hkbu.edu.hk).
11. What kind of COVID-19 test would be accepted by the University? (i.e. deep throat saliva, combined throat or nasal swab, etc.)	A COVID-19 test that follows the Government recognised route for testing is accepted by the University. For information about available testing centres, please visit: https://www.coronavirus.gov.hk/eng/early-testing.html .
12. Will the University provide free COVID-19 tests?	The COVID-19 test is not available on campus or the fee will not be covered by the University. For information about available testing centres, please visit: https://www.coronavirus.gov.hk/eng/early-testing.html .
13. Will the University provide specimen bottles on campus?	Please refer to Question 12.
Safety	
14. Who will be responsible if I have serious side effects after receiving the vaccinations?	University members (staff and students) are recommended to seek medical advice before taking the vaccine. They should also read carefully the available literatures at the CHP website concerning the benefits and possible side effects of the vaccine before making decision for vaccination.
Financial Support for COVID-19 Test	
15. I cannot receive the vaccination due to medical reasons, can I apply for financial support for the COVID-19 test?	UGC-funded full-time students who are unsuitable for vaccination due to medical reasons or ineligible for vaccination AND with financial difficulties could apply for financial support. For more information, please visit https://sa.hkbu.edu.hk/sfa/subsidy-on-compulsory-covid-19-test .

16. Do we need to submit the medical proof for being “not suitable for COVID-19 vaccinations” when applying for the financial support?	Relevant support documents have to be provided. For more information, please visit https://sa.hkbu.edu.hk/sfa/subsidy-on-compulsory-covid-19-test .
17. Is medical proof provided by Chinese medicine practitioners accepted?	Medical reasons certified by registered Chinese medicine practitioners will be accepted.
Teaching & Learning	
18. Will mixed-mode teaching be provided during the pandemic situation?	As the COVID-19 situation continues to improve in Hong Kong, the University will resume face-to-face classes in Semester 1, 2021/22 starting on 6 September 2021. To facilitate students’ learning, the practice of video recording and archive of lectures will continue in 2021/22 academic year. The University understands that some students may not be able to return to campus by September due to factors beyond their control, e.g. travelling restrictions and/or quarantine requirement. These students should promptly inform their course instructors of such situation. Course instructors are invited to make other arrangement, such as mixed-mode teaching or rescheduling, to ensure that these students will be able to benefit from synchronous teaching and their learning would not be adversely affected. Research postgraduate students should confirm the arrangements with their Principal Supervisors.

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