Announcement on Gradual Resumption of Normal Operation

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Dear Members of HKUST,

Following the Government's <u>announcement</u> that its departments will resume public services gradually from 1 April with a view to largely resuming normal public services from 21 April, the University plans to have our offices and units gradually resuming normal operations in a phased manner as follows:

- Department Heads and Directors should plan for staff to progressively return to office starting from Monday, 11 April, and exercise flexibility in work arrangements (e.g. roster arrangement; staggered work and lunch hours, etc), taking into consideration the needs of staff and their families.
- All offices and units to resume normal operations from Monday, 25 April, assuming that the Government would start relaxing the social distancing measures on Thursday, 21 April.
- All teaching arrangements, including final examinations, will <u>remain unchanged</u> in the Spring Semester.
- As before, TPG programs can have their own arrangements.

Under the Government's <u>"vaccine pass" requirement</u>, members and residents (aged 12 or above) in general are required to have received 3 doses of vaccine by Tuesday, 31 May. The University's Vaccination and Testing Reporting System (VTRS) will soon be updated to include input of the 3rd vaccine dose. More details will follow. Members are reminded to present a valid University Campus Access Pass (CAP) at the gates for accessing campus.

Taking the opportunity, we would also like to thank colleagues for their dedicated efforts in maintaining the University's essential operation and protecting the health and safety of members during this wave of the pandemic which has been challenging.

Please continue to observe social distancing and keeping up good personal and environmental hygiene practices.

Warm regards,

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