Date: 22 June 2020
To: Teachers and Students

We refer to the Ministry of Health’s announcement last evening that one of our students has been diagnosed with COVID-19, which was reported in the media.

The student was last on the NTU campus in early April, before the start of the Circuit Breaker, and he has not been back on campus since then.

He had tested positive for COVID-19 on Saturday, June 20, as part of expanded surveillance testing, after seeking medical advice for Acute Respiratory Infection (ARI) at the GP clinic. The student is currently being treated at National Centre for Infectious Diseases (NCID). We wish him a speedy recovery, and we will provide him the necessary support.

As we have now moved into Phase 2 post-Circuit Breaker, we need to remain vigilant together as a Responsible Community, so that we can continue to provide a safe and healthy environment for everyone to learn, work, live and play at NTU.

Every one of us – students, faculty and staff – has a personal responsibility to comply with all precautionary safety measures in order to safeguard our NTU community against COVID-19. Some of these measures may take some getting used to, but they are necessary to keep us all safe. Please familiarise yourselves with these measures, and remind the people around us to practise them diligently in order to minimise the risk of COVID-19 transmission.

At the same time, we would like to remind everyone in the NTU community that if you have a fever, cough, sore throat, or any other signs of being unwell, please seek medical attention immediately, and do not come to campus. Students and employees with immediate household members who have symptoms (ie. fever, cough, or shortness of breath), should also stay home.

COVID-19 testing will be a key enabler of the government's overall efforts to safely re-open after the circuit breaker. NTU students and employees who are diagnosed with ARI will be prioritised for COVID-19 testing.

If you are waiting for your swab test results, please do not come to campus nor attend any face-to-face classes. It is really important that you stay at home and self-isolate as much as possible, while you wait for your test results. During your self-isolation, remember to observe good personal hygiene, monitor your health, and remain contactable at all times. Most results will be available within 3 working days, and the doctor will contact you about the results.

For the latest information, please visit CI-NTU’s website and the Ministry of Health and Ministry of Education websites.

Let us continue to work together to safeguard the well-being and health of our NTU community.

CI-NTU Management