

Dear Students,

I hope that this message finds you well during these difficult times.

I am writing to share good news on the situation concerning degree-seeking foreign students to Taiwan. According to the announcement of the ROC Taiwan government, updated on August 24<sup>th</sup>, border restrictions are lifted for degree-seeking students from all countries and from Mainland China. This is the moment we have been waiting for in light of the current COVID-19 situation.

To enter Taiwan, foreign students must acquire a valid permission, such as visa, ARC or entry permit. Although international flight operations are yet in full capacity, students are strongly advised to reserve in advance facilities designated for 14-day quarantine purpose. Given that it may take some time to apply for a visa, obtain permission, and arrange quarantine facilities, it is better to make preparations earlier. Despite the new semester approaching, i.e. September 14<sup>th</sup>, faculty and staff at Ming Chuan will support you as much as possible and remain in regular contact by email, through our internal communication platform and via social media. Students will be fully guided through the registration procedures, online learning and evaluation, as well as tutoring mechanism. Detailed information will soon be available.

I would like to remind students to complete registration and start attending online courses as the new semester begins on September 14<sup>th</sup>. With regards to 14-day quarantine requirement, Ming Chuan will continue to assist students on communicating with quarantine facilities, arranging transportation, providing quarantine package and related matters. During the quarantine period, students should remain in close contact with Ming Chuan faculty and staff, and keep track of personal health conditions on a regular basis.

So far, 177 foreign students have returned and all are in good health condition. Among them, 50 students have completed the quarantine successfully and moved into school dormitories.

The COVID-19 situation continues to influence us all. Taiwan is relatively a safe place to stay and we are now rapidly moving back to our regular routines. I would like to assure you that Ming Chuan is committed to helping all students and offering support by all means, in order to reduce the disruptive impact of the global COVID-19 outbreak.

On behalf of the University, I hope that students should feel free to contact us if you have any questions or doubts. I look forward to greeting you at the campus soon.

Take care and kind regards,

Pei-Di Shen  
President