

A confirmed case of COVID-19

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Dear Members of the University,

We have been informed this morning an MTPC colleague who lives in Hung Hom has been confirmed positive for COVID-19. This colleague became a close contact a few days ago after a family member was infected, and was in a Government quarantine facility when found positive.

This MTPC colleague last came to work on 29 Jan. In the past two weeks, she took public buses and minibuses to work and return, and on 28 and 29 Jan, she took the Whampoa line school bus home. She usually buys lunch from LG7 and eats at her desk. She had lunch with a friend at American Diner on 26 Jan, and went to the Medical Clinic to pick up a document in the afternoon of 29 Jan.

A special cleaning has already been done in the MTPC office after the colleague was identified as a close contact. All MTPC colleagues have gone for a COVID-19 test by themselves, and results so far have been all negative. All of them except one will work from home until after the Chinese New Year. Since the infected colleague has not been to the Printshop and has not contacted any staff there in the past two weeks, one Printshop colleague will remain to help users pick up printed materials next week. All MTPC colleagues will have another round of test before returning after the holidays.

More details and updates about the case are available at the university COVID-19 webpage <https://covid19info.ust.hk/latest-figures>. If any member is concerned and without related symptoms, they can have a COVID-19 test at the Community Testing Center, which is open every day including holidays. The one closest to campus is in the Hang Hau Community Hall. More information is available at this link <https://www.communitytest.gov.hk/en/>. Information about other testing options, including free testing at Government clinics can be found here <https://www.coronavirus.gov.hk/eng/early-testing.html>. Anyone with COVID-19 symptoms should NOT go to the testing centers but should seek medical assistance at once. During weekends and holidays, campus residents who have needs should go to the Tseung Kwan O Hospital.

Although the number of confirmed cases appears to have come down in the past few days, we should all stay vigilant and continue to follow preventive measures.

Take care and stay well,
Samuel Yu, Director of Health, Safety and Environment