

UEC is always staying alert and closely monitoring the latest information of the virus. Currently, the UEC campuses and offices are operating normally and we are preparing for the 2020 academic year,

1. **Guidance starts:** 16<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> April (*for short-term exchange students only*)
2. **Classes begin:** 20<sup>th</sup> April (*for all students*)

The safety and well-being of the students and staff are our top priority and UEC International student office staff is ready to provide necessary support. Please feel free to contact me if you need any assistance or information. The following is some measures for the upcoming spring semester to minimize the risk of catching and spreading the novel coronavirus.

1. The student who traveled around (or came back from) outside of Japan after “19th March” is asked to stay at home for 14 days. In addition, the new student is also asked to self-monitor his/her health (such as measuring body temperature daily) and report to the program coordinator for 14 days from the day of arrival at UEC.  
*\*Of course, within the 14 days, the student is allowed to go out for his/her daily necessities except for joining the lecture or lab’s activity.*
2. The student who is not feeling well will have to stay at home and is not allowed to join any lectures or activities.
3. Every student is advised to wear a surgical mask when going into a crowd or joining the lecture (until the coronavirus situation resolved).
4. Alcohol-based hand sanitizer is available in the dormitories and classrooms. Every student or lecturer has to wash his/her hands or use the hand sanitizer before or after entering the classroom, laboratory and when returning to his/her room.
5. The facilities and services provided for the inbound exchange student are as follows. These should help avoid close contact with a large number of unspecified people.
  - UEC campus is one stop by bus from the airport (bus time 2 hours or less)
  - Every exchange student is staying in a private single room (with in-room kitchen, shower and toilet) at the on-campus dormitory
  - Classrooms, offices, shops, and any daily necessities can be accessed on a range of few minutes’ walk.
  - Every lecture or activity offered is designed for less than 20 students/persons.

The coronavirus pandemic is a rapidly evolving situation and we will keep you informed of any changes or updates.