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To our students

School of Economics and Business,
Hokkaido University

Courses in the first (spring) semester of the academic year 2023

Courses in the first (spring) semester of 2023 will be held as follows. However, depending on the COVID-19 situation, we may change our plans any time during the semester. **All courses will be offered online if the BCP level of Hokkaido University is raised to three (3).** Please check the website of the university and the department for updates.

(1) All courses

If the university's BCP level is 1 or 2, all courses will be offered on campus, face-to-face. (There may be exceptions amid concerns of the spread of infection.)

If the university's BCP level is 3, all courses will be held online.

(2) On-site exams

Under BCP Level 1-2: Exams may be conducted in a face-to-face format.

Under BCP Level 3: No on-site exams will be given.

Notes:

- (1) During classes on campus, please pay attention to the following: (1) ensure there is proper air circulation in the classroom; (2) sanitize your hands.
- (2) For more details of each class, please check ELMS's Moodle page and follow the notices from instructors.
- (3) If you face any difficulty attending face-to-face classes because of underlying health condition, please seek the instructor's advice IN ADVANCE.
- (4) We will furnish study rooms in the department building. You can use them to participate in online classes before and/or after attending face-to-face classes on campus.
- (5) Depending on the state of the COVID-19 pandemic, the course delivery mode for your courses may be subject to change during the semester. Please check the website of the department regularly for updates.

(6) Wearing mask is generally not required.

However, there are situations where the government and Hokkaido recommend the wearing of masks, so please carry a mask with you.

Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare

https://www.mhlw.go.jp/stf/seisakunitsuite/bunya/0000164708_00079.html

Hokkaido

<https://www.pref.hokkaido.lg.jp/hf/kst/masuku.html>

To all students:

- (1) To prevent infection on the campus, check your health condition regularly. If you have high temperature or other symptoms, please do not come to school.
- (2) While attending face-to-face classes, please make sure that you sanitize your hands and wear a mask (preferably those made from non-woven fabric).
- (3) We advise you to have a reliable internet connection at home in case the COVID-19 situation makes it necessary to take online courses. Also, please have a laptop so that you can attend online courses in between your other face to face classes conducted on campus.
- (4) Infection among students occurs not from attending classes, but from dining together with classmates and participating in other activities. Please pay attention to infection prevention, considering that this is a public health issue involving you as well as your family, friends, and citizens in the area.
- (5) It is not unusual that you feel insecure or stressed under the "new normal" environment. If you face any difficulty, please feel free to consult your supervisor and/or the following facilities at the university:

Student Counseling Office

<https://www.sacc.hokudai.ac.jp/student-counseling-office/>

Hokkaido University's Health Care Center

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