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Basic Policy for 2020 Second Semester (Third and Fourth Quarter) Classes

President, Kagawa University

Based on the spread of COVID-19, Kagawa University has established the following policy for classes during the second semester (from October 1) in order to continue academic activities while reducing the risk of spreading COVID-19.

●Policy

1. Classes will continue to be conducted online.

There are exceptions for several lecture classes, laboratory and practical classes (Note 1) which may be conducted in-person, upon approval by the dean of the faculty/graduate school and measures for disease prevention (Note 2) such as avoiding the 3 Cs (closed spaces, crowded places, and close-contact settings) are taken.

All correspondences relating to classes are to be done through the learning management system (Dream Campus, WebClass).

2. When streaming live or recording video lectures in a classroom, the teacher may allow students to enter the classroom under certain conditions restricting entry.
3. Examinations should be conducted in-person if possible, upon taking measures for avoiding the 3 Cs and measures for disease prevention.
4. The above policies are subject to change depending on the situation of the COVID-19 outbreak.

(Note 1)

“Laboratory and practical classes, etc.” are the following.

- Laboratory and practical classes
- Tutorial classes (including foreign language classes such as English)
- Practical skills classes (music, art, physical education, etc.)
- Seminars, graduation research, etc.
- Small size lecture classes approved by the dean of the faculty/graduate school

(Note 2)

“Measures for disease prevention” are the following to reduce the risk of spreading COVID-19.

1 Laboratory and practical classes

- Take measures for avoiding the 3 Cs (closed spaces, crowded places, and close-contact settings)
- Reduce the number and length of meetings in-person as much as possible
- Be cautious of disease prevention during group work and tasks that must be done at a close distance
- Be especially cautious of disease prevention during music classes (singing and brass/woodwind ensembles) indoors
- For physical education, avoid close-distance exercise and exercise outside as much as possible

2 Classroom environment

- Restrict participants from attending if they have a fever or not feeling well
- Record daily symptoms using the health check sheet and maintain good health
- Teachers and students are to wear masks in principle. (If physical exercise is involved, masks may be taken off.)
- Ventilate the classroom frequently by opening windows while using the air conditioner
- Strongly encourage hand-washing and disinfection

3 Off-campus academic activities

- Off-campus academic activities may be conducted upon careful planning with the person in charge.
- Decision on conducting off-campus activities that require travel outside of Kagawa prefecture will be based on the national and prefectural policies.