

COVID-19 Infection Countermeasure Manual

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1. Purpose of This Manual

We created this manual to define the actions that executives, faculty and staff members—along with Saitama University students as well as researchers posted from other organizations and those working in university facilities (hereinafter referred to as “university members”) should take to avoid contracting COVID-19 or spreading it to others based on risk levels. University members should follow the School Health and Safety Act (Act No. 56 of 1958) as well as this manual if they contract COVID-19 or are suspected of having contracted the virus.

Measures for matters not covered by this manual will be decided as needed. The measures stipulated in this manual will be reviewed and revised according to the status of the COVID-19 infection in the Tokyo Metropolitan Area and other factors.

2. Saitama University Policies against COVID-19

- Saitama University’s policies on countermeasures against COVID-19’s outset, spread, epidemics and fast-rising risk levels shall be as indicated from the next page onward.
- Decision guidelines for each risk level are rough guidelines; we will decide the applicable level comprehensively by considering other facts.
- Even if the decision guidelines change in accordance with the status of COVID-19 cases and the risk level on these guidelines weakens, higher-level countermeasures may be continued depending on how society responds to the virus.
- Even if the risk level decreases, classes being conducted online (including those set to be conducted online) will be conducted online until the end of the first semester, and grading criteria will remain the same.

Saitama University Policies of Countermeasures for COVID-19

Risk level	Decision Guideline	Students			Faculty Members, Researchers, etc.	Faculty and Staff Members, Students			Meetings and Events	Clerical and Technical Staff	Affiliated Schools	Outsiders
		Classes	Research	Campus Entry and Extracurricular Activities		Domestic Business Trips	Decision Guideline	Overseas Travel and Dispatches				
Level 0 Overseas outbreak	When a COVID-19 outbreak occurs overseas but there have been no cases reported in Japan	Conducted as usual	Conducted as usual	Conducted as usual	Conducted as usual	Conducted as usual		Conducted as usual	Conducted as usual	Conducted as usual	Conducted as usual	Conducted as usual
Level 1 Domestic outbreak	Infections reported in the Tokyo Metropolitan Area outside of Saitama Prefecture	Conducted as usual, while carefully considering how to prevent the spread of infection	Conducted as usual, while carefully considering how to prevent the spread of infection	Conducted as usual, while carefully considering how to prevent the spread of infection	Conducted as usual, while carefully considering how to prevent the spread of infection	Refrain from business trips to prefectures where infections were reported	When Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MOFA)'s Travel Advice and Warning on Infectious Diseases issues an "Exercise caution" alert for the country or area of concern	Conducted as usual while carefully considering MOFA's Travel Advice and Warning on Infectious Diseases	Conducted as usual, while carefully considering how to prevent the spread of infection	Conducted as usual, while carefully considering how to prevent the spread of infection	Conducted as usual, while carefully considering how to prevent the spread of infection	Request to visitors wear a mask and observe proper hand hygiene
Level 2 Local outbreak (initial stage)	Infections reported in Saitama Prefecture, or if epidemiological studies can no longer confirm the contact history of infected persons in the Tokyo Metropolitan Area outside of Saitama Prefecture	Conduct while taking measures to prevent the spread of the infection Prepare to start online classes	Conduct while taking measures to prevent the spread of the infection	Conduct while taking measures to prevent the spread of the infection Meetings of ten or more people on and off campus will be prohibited Avoid coming to the university unless absolutely necessary, such as for classes	Conduct while taking measures to prevent the spread of the infection Refrain from participating in symposiums, conferences, seminars, academic conferences, etc.	Same as Level 1	When MOFA's Travel Advice and Warning on Infectious Diseases issues an "Avoid non-essential travel" alert for the country or area of concern	Prohibit overseas travel Instruct those in a country or area where infections are quickly spreading to return to Japan. Instruct those in other regions to take ample safety measures.	Conduct while taking measures to prevent the spread of the infection Recommend staggered work hours	Recommend staggered work hours	Significantly revise usual activities Also consider measures taken by the Saitama Prefecture Board of Education and the Saitama City Board of Education	Same as Level 1

Level 3 Local outbreak (spreading stage)	Infection spreading in Saitama Prefecture and the Tokyo Metropolitan Area Government declares a state of emergency Saitama Prefecture implements state of emergency measures	Lecture-style classes will be conducted online Face-to-face classes (experiments, practical training, physical training, etc.) will not be conducted while students are not allowed on campus	As a rule, research will be suspended. However this does not apply to students the director of the graduate school deems necessary because they: 1) support equipment management duties, the preservation and management of animals and/or 2) are doctoral course students conducting research and experiments. Extracurricular activities on and off campus will be suspended	Entry prohibited, except for students the director of the graduate school deems necessary because they: 1) support equipment management duties, the preservation and management of animals and/or 2) are doctoral course students conducting research and experiments. Extracurricular activities on and off campus will be suspended	Entry limited to a minimum number of people considered essential to ongoing experiments and research	Canceled	When MOFAs Travel Advice and Warning on Infectious Diseases Issues an "Avoid all travel" alert for the country or area of concern (avoid travel warning)	Instruct all those in foreign countries to return to Japan	Cancel or reschedule large-scale events and meetings Conduct gatherings online whenever possible	As a rule, telecommute A minimum number of staff members commute based on the work continuation plan Recommend staggered work hours	Close schools Recommend telecommuting for faculty and staff members	Prohibit the entry of outsiders other than those considered essential by the university, such as postal workers, delivery personnel and construction crews
Level 4 Local outbreak (epidemic stage)	Infections discovered among students, faculty and staff members or other university members Possibility of infection spreading within the university	Same as Level 3	Research will be suspended if the infection is spreading within the university Same as Level 3 if there is no possibility of the infection spreading within the university	Entry prohibited Extracurricular activities on and off campus will be suspended	Entry limited to a minimum number of people considered essential to maintaining research resources (preservation and management of animals, resupply of liquid nitrogen and helium, and take the safety measures necessary to continuing research activities)	Same as Level 3	When MOFAs Travel Advice and Warning on Infectious Diseases Issues an "Evacuate and avoid all travel" alert for the country or area of concern (evacuation warning)	Same as Level 3	Online only	Part or all of the Okubo Campus will be closed Some or all university members will telecommute for a certain period	Close schools Some or all university members will telecommute for a certain period	Prohibit entry

Level 5 Local outbreak (pandemic stage)	Saitama Prefecture requests restrictions on use of designated facilities based on paragraph 2, Article 45 of the Measures for Pandemic Influenza and New Infectious Diseases Preparedness and Response	Same as Level 3	Suspended	Same as Level 4	Same as Level 4	Same as Level 4	Same as Level 4	Same as Level 4	Same as Level 4	Same as Level 4
	Spread of infections among Saitama University's students and faculty and staff members									
	Possibility of a COVID-19 cluster on campus									

3. Students

- If symptoms appear that may indicate a COVID-19 infection
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<p>【Students】</p> <p>○ If symptoms appear that may indicate a COVID-19 infection</p> <p>1. Outbreak</p> <p>Please take the following actions if you have the symptoms of a common cold such as a fever, coughing or fatigue:</p> <p>1) Please check your body temperature, and if you have a high fever, please do not come to the university; stay at home and follow the action 4, 5 and 6.</p> <p>2) If you come to the university without checking your body temperature, please ask for a thermometer which is available at University Student Center or Health Service Center.</p> <p>3) If you have a high fever or if you notice symptoms while on campus, go home as soon as possible. Please do the same if it is during a seminar, experiment or practical after consulting with your instructor.</p> <p>4) If your symptoms are light or you are virtually asymptomatic, please consult with a local medical institution or Health Service Center by phone and follow the instructions of a physician.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">University Health Service Center 048-854-5356</p> <p>5) If you have symptoms such as difficulty breathing, severe fatigue or a high fever, or if you have light symptoms such as a fever or coughing but have a risk of becoming severely ill because you are an older or have underlying health conditions, immediately call the COVID-19 support center or a consultation window for recent returnees to Japan or those who came into contact with an infected person in the prefecture you live in, and follow their instructions.</p> <p>If you live in Saitama</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ・ Saitama Prefecture COVID-19 Resident Support Center Tel: 0570-783-770 (answers 24/7) ・ COVID-19 consultation window for recent returnees to Japan or those who came into contact with an infected person (Saitama Prefecture) Thirteen public health centers established by the prefecture Three public health centers established by the city Phone numbers are listed on the Saitama Prefecture website. <p>6) Call the university department or section you are affiliated and give the following information:</p>	

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<p>(a) Your student number and name</p> <p>(b) Your current situation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Current symptoms, doctor's diagnosis, etc. <p>(c) Whether you had contact with someone infected with COVID-19</p> <p>(d) Your international and domestic travel record for the past two weeks</p> <p>(e) Information about the development of your symptoms</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What symptoms do (did) you have, and from when • When did you get a fever, and how high did your temperature rise <p>(f) Information about family members living with you</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Situation of COVID-19 infection <p>(g) Your activities during the two days prior to when symptoms appeared</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities while on campus <p>Classes, extracurricular activities and meetings you attended, the number of people you came in contact with, places you visited, etc.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities while off campus <p>The number of people you came in contact with, places you visited, etc.</p> <p>(h) If you consulted with your municipality, the results of that consultation</p> <p>(i) Contact information</p> <p>Faculty of Liberal Arts, Tel: 048-858-3044</p> <p>Faculty of Economics, Tel: 048-858-3286</p> <p>Faculty of Education, Tel: 048-858-3144</p> <p>Faculty of Science, Tel: 048-858-3345</p> <p>Faculty of Engineering, Tel: 048-858-3429</p> <p>Graduate School of Humanities and Social Sciences, Tel: 048-858-3320</p> <p>Graduate School of Education, Tel: 048-858-3144</p> <p>Graduate School of Science and Engineering, Tel: 048-858-3430</p> <p>Office of International Affairs, Tel: 048-858-3028</p> <p>7) Please continue to take your temperature twice a day (morning and evening) and record the results and your current symptoms.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The department that receives your call will ensure that you are not be put at any disadvantage due to this situation, organize the information you provided according to the attached form, and swiftly report your situation to the Health Service Center, General Affairs Division of the General Affairs Department, Student Services Division of the Student Affairs Department, the department dean, and the instructor you are affiliated with. • The General Affairs Division will swiftly report the current situation to the president and vice president (in charge of crisis management). • The Student Services Division will swiftly report the current situation to the executive director for student affairs. <p>(At this point, measures taken are limited to monitoring the situation.)</p> <p>Note: From the perspective of protecting personal information, the personnel handling your information will be kept to a minimum.</p>

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<p>contact with an infected person (Saitama Prefecture) Thirteen public health centers established by the prefecture Three public health centers established by the city Phone numbers are listed on the Saitama Prefecture website.</p> <p>(2) Call the appropriate number listed in (i), 6), 1. above and notify them of the following: (a) Your student number and name (b) Your current symptoms and situation</p> <p>○ Please take the following actions if you are diagnosed with a COVID-19 infection: (1) Do not come to the university until you are fully healed. (2) You are also prohibited from coming to the university if there is no clear diagnosis for the COVID-19 virus and you remain under observation. (3) Follow the instructions of medical institutions and concentrate on treatment. (4) (If you are able to contact the university) Call the appropriate number listed in (i), 6), 1. above and notify them of the following: (a) Your student number and name (b) Your symptoms and condition (c) Your activities while on campus <ul style="list-style-type: none"> You were conducting outdoor activities You were in a small room with a small number of people You had contact with an unknown number of people (d) The number of people you came in contact with</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The department that receives your call will organize the information you provided, and swiftly report your situation to the Health Service Center, General Affairs Division of the General Affairs Department, Student Services Division of the Student Affairs Department, the department dean, and the instructor you are affiliated with. The General Affairs Division will swiftly report the current situation to the president and vice president (in charge of crisis management). The Student Services Division will swiftly report the current situation to the executive director for student affairs. <p>(At this point, measures taken are limited to monitoring the situation.) Note: From the perspective of protecting personal information, the personnel handling your information will be kept to a minimum.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The department that receives your call will organize the information you provide, and report your situation to the Health Service Center, General Affairs Division of the General Affairs Department, Student Services Division of the Student Affairs Department, the department dean, and the instructors you are affiliated with. The General Affairs Division will swiftly report the current situation to the president and vice president (in charge of crisis management). The Student Services Division will swiftly report the current situation to the executive director for student affairs.

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	<p>○ If you were not on campus prior to or after the onset of your symptoms, and were not in close contact with a university faculty or staff member → No special measures are necessary if there are no cases of infection in the local community, or if all routes of infection in the local community are known and there is little interaction with university members and other related persons.</p> <p>○ If you were on campus prior to or after the onset of your symptoms, or if a university faculty or staff member who was in close contact with you came on campus → The following measures will be taken after consultation with the Saitama Prefecture government section in charge of health management:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) The campus will be closed for a certain period. (2) All university members will be prohibited from entering the campus for a certain period. They will be asked to stay home and refrain from interacting with people for a certain period. (3) Online classes will continue (4) All faculty and staff members will be instructed to work from home for a certain period. <p>○ If multiple cases of infections occur within the university, the following measures will be taken after consultation with the Saitama Prefecture government section in charge of health management:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) The campus will be closed for a certain period. (2) All university members will be prohibited from entering the campus for a certain period. They will be asked to stay home and refrain from interacting with people for a certain period. (3) Online classes will continue (4) All faculty and staff members will be instructed to work from home for a certain period. <p>○ Release of information Information about the infection status (number of infected individuals, etc.) will be announced. The information disclosed and other matters will be decided after discussions with the Saitama Prefecture government section in charge of health management. Your personal information and that of other infected individuals will be protected.</p> <p>Note: From the perspective of protecting personal information, the personnel handling the above</p>

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<p>(5) Reporting progress</p> <p>(a) If possible, please report your progress after being diagnosed with COVID-19 to the appropriate number listed in (i), 6), 1. above.</p> <p>(b) Continue to follow the instructions of your physician and concentrate on treatment and recovery.</p> <p>(6) If you are fully healed</p> <p>(a) Stay at home and continue to follow your physician's instructions until he/she declares that you have recovered.</p> <p>(b) Please call to report your condition to the appropriate number listed in (i), 6), 1. above.</p> <p>(c) Return to the university after your physician approves. When you return, please come to the service window of the departments listed in (i), 6), 1.</p> <p>○ Please take the following actions if it is determined that you had close contact with someone having the COVID-19 virus:</p> <p>(1) Stay away from the university for two</p>	<p>information will be kept to a minimum.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The department that receives your call will organize the information you provided, and swiftly report your situation to the Health Service Center, General Affairs Division of the General Affairs Department, Student Services Division of the Student Affairs Department, the department dean, and the instructor you are affiliated with. • The General Affairs Division will swiftly report the current situation to the president and vice president (in charge of crisis management). • The Student Services Division will swiftly report the current situation to the executive director for student affairs. (Monitoring the situation) <p>Note: From the perspective of protecting personal information, the personnel handling your information will be kept to a minimum.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The department that receives your call will organize the information you provided, and swiftly report your situation to the Health Service Center, General Affairs Division of the General Affairs Department, Student Services Division of the Student Affairs Department, the department dean, and the instructor you are affiliated with. • The General Affairs Division will swiftly report the current situation to the president and vice president (in charge of crisis management). • The Student Services Division will swiftly report the current situation to the executive director for student affairs. (Monitoring the situation) <p>Note: From the perspective of protecting personal information, the personnel handling your information will be kept to a minimum.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • When you come to the service window, staff members will provide advice on a variety of subjects and explain measures that the university will conduct from that point on.

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<p>weeks, starting from the last day you had close contact with an infected person.</p> <p>(2) Follow the instructions of the section in charge of health management of the municipality administering your residence, such as staying at home.</p> <p>(3) Call the appropriate number listed in (i), 6), 1. above and notify them of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Your student number and name (b) Your symptoms and condition (c) When, where and how you came in close contact with the infected person (d) Your international and domestic travel record for the past two weeks (e) Information about the development of your symptoms <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What symptoms do (did) you have, and from when • When did you get a fever, and how high did the temperature rise? (f) Information about family members living with you <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Status of COVID-19 infection spread (g) Your actions during the two days prior to when your symptoms appeared (h) Activities while on campus <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • You were involved in outdoor activities • You were in a small room with a small number of people • You had contact with an unspecified number of people (i) The number of people you came in contact with <p>(4) Follow one of the above patterns depending on how your condition changes.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The department that receives your call will ensure that you are not be put at any disadvantage due to this situation, organize the information you provided, and swiftly report your situation to the Health Service Center, General Affairs Division of the General Affairs Department, Student Services Division of the Student Affairs Department, the department dean, and the instructor you are affiliated with. • The General Affairs Division will swiftly report the current situation to the president and vice president (in charge of crisis management). • The Student Services Division will swiftly report the current situation to the executive director for student affairs. <p>Note: From the perspective of protecting personal information, the personnel handling your information will be kept to a minimum.</p> <p>○ If you did not enter the campus after the close contact, and if there are no persons who had close contact with an infected person among university members and other related persons → No special measures are necessary if there are no cases of infection in the local community, or if all routes of infection in the local community are known and there is little interaction with university members and other related persons</p> <p>○ If you entered the campus after the close contact, or if other university members and other related persons who had close contact with an infected person entered the campus → The following measures will be taken after consultation with the Saitama Prefecture government section in charge of health management:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) The campus will be closed for a certain period. (2) All university members will be prohibited from entering the campus for a certain period. They will be asked to stay home and refrain from interacting with people for a certain period. (3) Online classes will continue (4) All faculty and staff members will be instructed to work from home for a certain period.

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	<p>○ If there are multiple cases of close contact in the university, the following measures will be taken after consultation with the Saitama Prefecture government section in charge of health management:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) The campus will be closed for a certain period. (2) All university members will be prohibited from entering the campus for a certain period. They will be asked to stay home and refrain from interacting with people for a certain period. (3) Online classes will continue (4) All faculty and staff members will be instructed to work from home for a certain period.

4. Faculty and Staff Members

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<p>(i) Contact information (example)</p> <p>Member of an undergraduate department or graduate school, Tel: 048-829-7044 (Department Support Section)</p> <p>Member of the Education and Student Services Bureau, Tel: 048-858-9023 (Education Planning Division)</p> <p>Member of the Research and Development Bureau, Tel: 048-858-3010 (Research Promotion Division)</p> <p>Member of the International Office, Tel: 048-858-3908 (Office of International Affairs)</p> <p>Member of the affiliated schools, Tel: 048-829-7044 (Department Support Section)</p> <p>(j) Please continue to take your temperature twice a day (morning and evening) and record the results and your current symptoms.</p> <p>2. Second and third day after symptoms appear</p> <p>1) Please take the following actions if you are free from all symptoms, including fever, coughing and fatigue, and do not need medication:</p> <p>(1) If your symptoms are improving, return to the university once you meet all three of the following conditions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • You have not had a fever for at least three days without the use of medication. • Symptoms other than a fever—such as coughing and difficulty breathing—have improved. • One week has passed since your symptoms first appeared. <p>If you were diagnosed with other infectious diseases, however, such as influenza, please return to the university only after a physician approves your return.</p> <p>(2) Always wear a mask for the time being, wash your hands, and observe proper coughing etiquette.</p> <p>(3) Call the appropriate number listed in (i), (8), 1. above and notify them that</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The department that receives your call will ensure that you are not be put at any disadvantage due to this situation, organize the information you provided according to the attached form, and swiftly report your situation to the Health Service Center, General Affairs Division of the General Affairs Department, and the department dean. • The General Affairs Division will swiftly report the current situation to the president and vice president (in charge of crisis management). (At this point, measures taken are limited to monitoring the situation.) <p>Note: From the perspective of protecting personal information, the personnel handling your information will be kept to a minimum.</p>

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<p>(4) Call the appropriate number listed in (i), (8), 1. above and notify them of the following:</p> <p>(a) Your name</p> <p>(b) Your symptoms and condition</p> <p>3. Four days or more after your symptoms appeared</p> <p>1) Please take the following actions if you are free from all symptoms, including fever, coughing and fatigue, and do not need medication:</p> <p>(1) If your symptoms are improving, return to the university once you meet all three of the following conditions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • You have not had a fever for at least three days without the use of medication. • Symptoms other than a fever—such as coughing and difficulty breathing—have improved. • One week has passed since your symptoms first appeared. <p>If you were diagnosed with other infectious diseases, however, such as influenza, please return to the university only after a physician approves your return.</p> <p>(2) Always wear a mask for the time being, wash your hands, and observe proper coughing etiquette.</p> <p>(3) Call the appropriate number listed in (i), (8), 1. above and notify them that you will be returning.</p>	<p>• The department that receives your call will organize the information you provided, and swiftly report your situation to the Health Service Center, General Affairs Division of the General Affairs Department, and the department dean.</p> <p>• The General Affairs Division will swiftly report the current situation to the president and vice president (in charge of crisis management).</p> <p>(At this point, measures taken are limited to monitoring the situation.)</p> <p>Note: From the perspective of protecting personal information, the personnel handling your information will be kept to a minimum.</p>

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<p>2) Please take the following actions if you continue to experience symptoms such as fever, coughing and fatigue (including cases in which you are still taking medication for fever):</p> <p>(1) If you have symptoms such as difficulty breathing, severe fatigue or a high fever, or if you have light symptoms such as a fever or coughing but have a risk of becoming severely ill because you are an older or have underlying health conditions, immediately call the COVID-19 support center or a consultation window for recent returnees to Japan or those who came into contact with an infected person in the prefecture you live in, and follow their instructions.</p> <p>If you live in Saitama</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Saitama Prefecture COVID-19 Resident Support Center Tel: 0570-783-770 (answers 24/7) • COVID-19 consultation window for recent returnees to Japan or those who came into contact with an infected person (Saitama Prefecture) Thirteen public health centers established by the prefecture Three public health centers established by the city Phone numbers are listed on the Saitama Prefecture website. <p>(2) Please continue to take special paid leave.</p> <p>(3) Call the appropriate number listed in (i), (8), 1. above and notify them of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Your name (b) Your symptoms and condition 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The department that receives your call will organize the information you provided, and swiftly report your situation to the Health Service Center, General Affairs Division of the General Affairs Department, and the department dean. • The General Affairs Division will swiftly report the current situation to the president and vice president (in charge of crisis management). (Measures taken are limited to monitoring the situation.) <p>Note: From the perspective of protecting personal information, the personnel handling your information will be kept to a minimum.</p>

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<p>○ Please take the following actions if you are diagnosed with a COVID-19 infection:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) You are prohibited from coming to work until you have fully recovered. (2) You are also prohibited from coming to work if there is no clear diagnosis for the COVID-19 virus and you remain under observation. (3) Follow the instructions of medical institutions and concentrate on treatment. (4) Please continue to take special paid leave. (5) Call the appropriate number listed in (i), (8), 1. above and notify them of the following: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Your name (b) Your symptoms and condition (c) Your activities while on campus <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • You were conducting outdoor activities • You were in a small room with a small number of people • You had contact with an unknown number of people (d) The number of people you came in contact with 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The department that receives your call will organize the information you provided, and swiftly report your situation to the Health Service Center, General Affairs Division of the General Affairs Department, and the department dean. • The General Affairs Division will swiftly report the current situation to the president and vice president (in charge of crisis management). (At this point, measures taken are limited to monitoring the situation.) <p>Note: From the perspective of protecting personal information, the personnel handling your information will be kept to a minimum.</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The department that receives your call will organize the information you provided, and swiftly report your situation to the Health Service Center, General Affairs Division of the General Affairs Department, and the department dean. • The General Affairs Division will swiftly report the current situation to the president and vice president (in charge of crisis management). <p>Note: From the perspective of protecting personal information, the personnel handling your information will be kept to a minimum.</p> <p>○ If you were not on campus prior to or after the onset of your symptoms, and were not in close contact with a university member or other related person→ No special measures are necessary if there are no cases of infection in the local community, or if all routes of infection in the local community are known and there is little interaction with university members and other related persons.</p> <p>○ If you were on campus prior to or after the onset of your symptoms, or if a university member or other related person who was in close contact with you came on campus → The following measures will be taken after consultation with the Saitama Prefecture government section in charge of health management:</p> <p>(1) The campus will be closed for a</p>

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<p>(6) Reporting progress</p> <p>(a) If possible, please report your progress after being diagnosed with COVID-19 to the appropriate number listed in (i), (8), 1. above.</p> <p>(b) Continue to follow the instructions of your physician and concentrate on treatment and recovery.</p> <p>(7) If you are fully healed</p> <p>(a) Stay at home and continue to follow your physician's instructions until he/she declares that you have recovered.</p> <p>(b) Please call to report your condition to the appropriate number listed in (i), (8), 1. above.</p> <p>(c) Return to work after your physician approves. When you return, please come to the service window listed in (8), 1. above.</p> <p>○ Please take the following actions if it is determined that you had close contact with someone having the COVID-19 virus:</p> <p>(1) Stay away from the university for two weeks, starting from the last day you had close contact with an infected</p>	<p>certain period.</p> <p>(2) All university members will be prohibited from entering the campus for a certain period. They will be asked to stay home and refrain from interacting with people for a certain period.</p> <p>(3) Online classes will continue</p> <p>(4) All faculty and staff members will be instructed to work from home for a certain period.</p> <p>○ If multiple cases of infections occur within the university, the following measures will be taken after consultation with the Saitama Prefecture government section in charge of health management:</p> <p>(1) The campus will be closed for a certain period.</p> <p>(2) All university members will be prohibited from entering the campus for a certain period. They will be asked to stay home and refrain from interacting with people for a certain period.</p> <p>(3) Online classes will continue</p> <p>(4) All faculty and staff members will be instructed to work from home for a certain period.</p> <p>○ Release of information</p> <p>Information about the infection status (number of infected individuals, etc.) will be announced.</p> <p>The information disclosed and other matters will be decided after discussions with the Saitama Prefecture government section in charge of health management. Your personal information and that of other infected individuals will be protected.</p> <p>Note: From the perspective of protecting personal information, the personnel handling the above information will be kept to a minimum.</p> <p>• The department that receives your call will organize the information you provided, and swiftly report your situation to the Health Service Center, General Affairs Division of the General Affairs Department, and the department</p>

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<p>person.</p> <p>(2) Follow the instructions of the Saitama Prefecture government section in charge of health management, such as staying at home.</p> <p>(3) Take a special paid leave.</p> <p>(4) Call the appropriate number listed in (i), (8), 1. above and notify them of the following:</p> <p>(a) Your name</p> <p>(b) Your symptoms and condition</p> <p>(c) When, where and how you came in close contact with the infected person</p> <p>(d) Your international and domestic travel record for the past two weeks</p> <p>(e) Information about the development of your symptoms</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What symptoms do (did) you have, and from when • When did you get a fever, and how high did the temperature rise? <p>(f) Information about family members living with you</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Status of COVID-19 infection spread <p>(g) Your actions during the two days prior to when your symptoms appeared</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities while on campus Teaching, research activities, meetings, places you visited, etc. • Activities while off campus Places you visited, etc. <p>(h) Activities while on campus</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • You were involved in outdoor activities • You were in a small room with a small number of people • You had contact with an unspecified number of people <p>(i) The number of people you came in contact with</p> <p>(5) Follow one of the above patterns depending on how your condition changes.</p>	<p>dean.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The General Affairs Division will swiftly report the current situation to the president and vice president (in charge of crisis management). (Monitoring the situation) <p>Note: From the perspective of protecting personal information, the personnel handling your information will be kept to a minimum.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The department that receives your call will organize the information you provided, and swiftly report your situation to the Health Service Center, General Affairs Division of the General Affairs Department, and the department dean. • The General Affairs Division will swiftly report the current situation to the president and vice president (in charge of crisis management). (Monitoring the situation) • When you come to the service window, staff members will provide advice on a variety of subjects and explain measures that the university will conduct from that point on. <p>Note: From the perspective of protecting personal information, the personnel handling your information will be kept to a minimum.</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The department that receives your call will ensure that you are not be put at any disadvantage due to this situation, organize the information you provided, and swiftly report your situation to the Health Service Center, General Affairs Division of the General Affairs Department, and the department dean. • The General Affairs Division will swiftly report the current situation to the president and vice president (in charge of crisis management). <p>Note: From the perspective of protecting personal information, the personnel handling your information will be kept to a minimum.</p> <p>○ If you did not enter the campus after the close contact, and if there are no persons who had close contact with an infected person among university members and other related persons → No special measures are necessary if there are no cases of infection in the local community, or if all routes of infection in the local community are known and there is little interaction with university members and other related persons</p> <p>○ If you entered the campus after the close contact, or if other university members and other related persons who had close contact with an infected person entered the campus → The following measures will be taken after consultation with the Saitama Prefecture government section in charge of health management:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) The campus will be closed for a certain period. (2) All university members will be prohibited from entering the campus for a certain period. They will be asked to stay home and refrain from interacting with people for a certain period. (3) Online classes will continue (4) All faculty and staff members will be instructed to work from home for a certain period.

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	<p>○ If there are multiple cases of close contact in the university, the following measures will be taken after consultation with the Saitama Prefecture government section in charge of health management:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) The campus will be closed for a certain period. (2) All university members will be prohibited from entering the campus for a certain period. They will be asked to stay home and refrain from interacting with people for a certain period. (3) Online classes will continue (4) All faculty and staff members will be instructed to work from home for a certain period.

5. Classes (students and faculty members)

Risk level	Decision guideline	Countermeasures
Level 0 Overseas outbreak	When a COVID-19 outbreak occurs overseas but there have been no cases reported in Japan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Classes conducted as usual
Level 1 Domestic outbreak	Infections reported in the Tokyo Metropolitan Area outside of Saitama Prefecture	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enforcing coughing etiquette and hand hygiene
Level 2 Local outbreak (initial stage)	Infections reported in Saitama Prefecture, or if epidemiological studies can no longer confirm the contact history of infected persons in the Tokyo Metropolitan Area outside of Saitama Prefecture	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do not create confined spaces Fully open windows on two sides of all lecture rooms for a few minutes twice or more per hour to create adequate airflow. Do not form crowds Keep a distance of one meter or more between people. Avoid close-in conversations If you cannot avoid having a face-to-face conversation, have all parties maintain an ample distance and wear masks. Keep the doors of lecture rooms and buildings open. That will ensure there is no need to touch doors or doorknobs when entering and exiting. To allow tracing to identify who came into close contact when an infection occurs, record where each student sat during classes. Each department, graduate school or the Education Planning Division will maintain and store seating records. Prepare to start online classes
Level 3 Local outbreak (spreading stage)	<p>Infection spreading in Saitama Prefecture and the Tokyo Metropolitan Area</p> <p>Government declares a state of emergency</p> <p>Saitama Prefecture implements state of emergency measures</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All courses (lectures and seminars) will be conducted online. Even if the infection situation improves and the risk level decreases during the semester, courses will be held online until the first semester ends. Online classes will be conducted in a real-time or on-demand format through Zoom or WebClass. Major formats of real-time classes Interactive lectures, group discussions, chats Major formats of on-demand classes Audio content and viewable class materials, video content, recorded videos of standard lectures Face-to-face sessions such as experiments, practical training, and physical training are canceled until students are allowed back on campus. These classes will be restarted with the department dean's approval if the Saitama Prefecture government lifts state of emergency measures.

Level 4 Local outbreak (epidemic stage)	Infections discovered among students, faculty and staff members or other university members Possibility of infection spreading within the university	• Same as Level 3
Level 5 Local outbreak (pandemic stage)	Saitama Prefecture requests restrictions on use of designated facilities based on paragraph 2, Article 45 of the Measures for Pandemic Influenza and New Infectious Diseases Preparedness and Response Spread of infections among Saitama University's students and faculty and staff members Possibility of a COVID-19 cluster on campus	• Same as Level 3

6. Research (students)

Risk level	Decision guideline	Countermeasures
Level 0 Overseas outbreak	When a COVID-19 outbreak occurs overseas but there have been no cases reported in Japan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Research conducted as usual
Level 1 Domestic outbreak	Infections reported in the Tokyo Metropolitan Area outside of Saitama Prefecture	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enforcing coughing etiquette and hand hygiene
Level 2 Local outbreak (initial stage)	Infections reported in Saitama Prefecture, or if epidemiological studies can no longer confirm the contact history of infected persons in the Tokyo Metropolitan Area outside of Saitama Prefecture	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do not create confined spaces Fully open windows on two sides of all study rooms and laboratories for a few minutes twice or more per hour to create adequate airflow. Do not form crowds Keep a distance of one meter or more between people. Avoid close-in conversations If you cannot avoid having a face-to-face conversation, have all parties maintain an ample distance and wear masks. Keep the doors of study rooms, laboratories and buildings open. That will ensure there is no need to touch doors or doorknobs when entering and exiting (excluding cold days). To allow tracing to identify who came into close contact when an infection occurs in the university, record who was in the same room during research activities The instructor will keep records
Level 3 Local outbreak (spreading stage)	<p>Infection spreading in Saitama Prefecture and the Tokyo Metropolitan Area</p> <p>Government declares a state of emergency</p> <p>Saitama Prefecture implements state of emergency measures</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As a rule, experiments and the like will be suspended. However, this does not apply if the following conditions are met and the director of the graduate school deems continuation of an experiment necessary: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> To help to preserve and manage animals used for experiments To help to maintain and manage equipment used to resupply liquid nitrogen or liquid helium To help to maintain and manage chemicals used in research related to poisonous and deleterious substances, etc. To help to operate, maintain and manage basic infrastructure used in research (experimental devices, equipment, information systems, etc.) To support various safety measures necessary to continue research activities To conduct experiments and the like run by students in a masters or doctoral course scheduled to finish in September, and by students in the

		doctoral course scheduled to finish next March
Level 4 Local outbreak (epidemic stage)	<p>Infections discovered among students, faculty and staff members or other university members</p> <p>Possibility of infection spreading within the university</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Experiments and the like will be suspended if the infection is spreading within the university • Same as Level 3 if there is no possibility of the infection spreading within the university
Level 5 Local outbreak (pandemic stage)	<p>Saitama Prefecture requests restrictions on use of designated facilities based on paragraph 2, Article 45 of the Measures for Pandemic Influenza and New Infectious Diseases Preparedness and Response</p> <p>Spread of infections among Saitama University's students and faculty and staff members</p> <p>Possibility of a COVID-19 cluster on campus</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All experiments and the like will be suspended

7. Campus Entry and Extracurricular Activities (students)

Risk level	Decision guideline	Countermeasures
Level 0 Overseas outbreak	When a COVID-19 outbreak occurs overseas but there have been no cases reported in Japan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Campus entry and extracurricular activities conducted as usual
Level 1 Domestic outbreak	Infections reported in the Tokyo Metropolitan Area outside of Saitama Prefecture	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enforcing coughing etiquette and hand hygiene
Level 2 Local outbreak (initial stage)	Infections reported in Saitama Prefecture, or if epidemiological studies can no longer confirm the contact history of infected persons in the Tokyo Metropolitan Area outside of Saitama Prefecture	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do not create confined spaces Fully open the windows on two sides of all clubrooms for a few minutes twice or more per hour to create adequate airflow. • Do not form crowds Keep a distance of one meter or more between people. • Avoid close-in conversations If you cannot avoid having a face-to-face conversation, have all parties maintain an ample distance and wear masks. • Keep the doors of clubrooms and buildings open. That will ensure there is no need to touch doors or doorknobs when entering and exiting (excluding cold days). • Meetings of ten or more people on and off campus will be prohibited • Avoid coming to the university unless absolutely necessary, such as for classes
Level 3 Local outbreak (spreading stage)	<p>Infection spreading in Saitama Prefecture and the Tokyo Metropolitan Area</p> <p>Government declares a state of emergency</p> <p>Saitama Prefecture implements state of emergency measures</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Entry to the Okubo Campus will be prohibited for the period the university designates. However, entry will be permitted for (1) the time necessary to conduct activities that meet the conditions listed in the Level 3 countermeasures for research (students) and (2) graduate school students who need to borrow library materials and have been approved by the director of graduate school you affiliated. • Extracurricular activities on and off campus will be suspended
Level 4 Local outbreak (epidemic stage)	<p>Infections discovered among students, faculty and staff members or other university members</p> <p>Possibility of infection</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Entry to the Okubo Campus will be prohibited for the period the university designates • Extracurricular activities on and off campus will be suspended

	spreading within the university	
Level 5 Local outbreak (pandemic stage)	<p>Saitama Prefecture requests restrictions on use of designated facilities based on paragraph 2, Article 45 of the Measures for Pandemic Influenza and New Infectious Diseases Preparedness and Response</p> <p>Spread of infections among Saitama University's students and faculty and staff members</p> <p>Possibility of a COVID-19 cluster on campus</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Same as Level 4

Note: Even if the decision guidelines change in accordance with the status of COVID-19 cases and the risk level on these guidelines weakens, higher-level countermeasures may be continued depending on how society responds to the virus. At the time this manual was created (May 2020), Level 3 countermeasures were, as a rule, to be taken while online classes are conducted even if the risk level decreases from 3 to 2. However, if public countermeasures for COVID-19 are loosened, Level 2 countermeasures will be observed accordingly.

8. Research (faculty, researchers, etc.)

Risk level	Decision guideline	Countermeasures
Level 0 Overseas outbreak	When a COVID-19 outbreak occurs overseas but there have been no cases reported in Japan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Research conducted as usual
Level 1 Domestic outbreak	Infections reported in the Tokyo Metropolitan Area outside of Saitama Prefecture	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enforcing coughing etiquette and hand hygiene
Level 2 Local outbreak (initial stage)	Infections reported in Saitama Prefecture, or if epidemiological studies can no longer confirm the contact history of infected persons in the Tokyo Metropolitan Area outside of Saitama Prefecture	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do not create confined spaces Fully open windows on two sides of all offices and laboratories for a few minutes twice or more per hour to create adequate airflow. Do not form crowds Keep a distance of one meter or more between people. Avoid close-in conversations If you cannot avoid having a face-to-face conversation, have all parties maintain an ample distance and wear masks. Keep the doors of offices, laboratories, and buildings open. That will ensure there is no need to touch doors or doorknobs when entering and exiting (excluding cold days). Refrain from hosting and participating in symposiums, conferences, seminars and academic conferences both on and off campus Recommend conducting discussions online
Level 3 Local outbreak (spreading stage)	<p>Infection spreading in Saitama Prefecture and the Tokyo Metropolitan Area</p> <p>Government declares a state of emergency</p> <p>Saitama Prefecture implements state of emergency measures</p>	<p>In addition to Level 2 countermeasures:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Entry to laboratories and offices will be limited to a minimum amount of people—subject to the approval of the instructor in charge of the laboratory or office—considered essential to continuing ongoing experiments and research.
Level 4 Local outbreak (epidemic stage)	<p>Infections discovered among students, faculty and staff members or other university members</p> <p>Possibility of infection spreading within the university</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As a rule, experiments will be suspended. However, this does not apply in the following instances: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Preservation and management of animals used for research Maintenance and management of equipment used to resupply liquid nitrogen or liquid helium Maintenance and management of chemicals used in research on poisonous and deleterious substances, etc. Operation, maintenance and management of basic

		infrastructure used in research (experimental devices, equipment, information systems, etc.) (e) Various safety measures necessary to continue research activities
Level 5 Local outbreak (pandemic stage)	<p>Saitama Prefecture requests restrictions on use of designated facilities based on paragraph 2, Article 45 of the Measures for Pandemic Influenza and New Infectious Diseases Preparedness and Response</p> <p>Spread of infections among Saitama University's students and faculty and staff members</p> <p>Possibility of a COVID-19 cluster on campus</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Same as Level 4

9. Domestic Business Trips (faculty and staff members)

Risk level	Decision guideline	Countermeasures
Level 0 Overseas outbreak	When a COVID-19 outbreak occurs overseas but there have been no cases reported in Japan	• Domestic business trips conducted as usual
Level 1 Domestic outbreak	Infections reported in the Tokyo Metropolitan Area outside of Saitama Prefecture	• Refrain from business trips to prefectures and areas where infections were reported
Level 2 Local outbreak (initial stage)	Infections reported in Saitama Prefecture, or if epidemiological studies can no longer confirm the contact history of infected persons in the Tokyo Metropolitan Area outside of Saitama Prefecture	• Same as Level 1
Level 3 Local outbreak (spreading stage)	Infection spreading in Saitama Prefecture and the Tokyo Metropolitan Area Government declares a state of emergency Saitama Prefecture implements state of emergency measures	• All business trips will be canceled
Level 4 Local outbreak (epidemic stage)	Infections discovered among students, faculty and staff members or other university members Possibility of infection spreading within the university	• Same as Level 3
Level 5 Local outbreak (pandemic stage)	Saitama Prefecture requests restrictions on use of designated facilities based on paragraph 2, Article 45 of the Measures for Pandemic Influenza and New Infectious Diseases Preparedness and Response Spread of infections among Saitama University's students and faculty and staff members Possibility of a COVID-19 cluster on campus	• Same as Level 3

10. Overseas Travel and Dispatches (faculty and staff members, students)

Risk level	Decision guideline	Countermeasures
Level 0		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Overseas travel and dispatches conducted as usual
Level 1	When the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MOFA)'s Travel Advice and Warning on Infectious Diseases issues an "Exercise caution" alert for the country or area of concern	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conducted as usual while carefully considering MOFA's Travel Advice and Warning on Infectious Diseases
Level 2	When MOFA's Travel Advice and Warning on Infectious Diseases issues an "Avoid non-essential travel" alert for the country or area of concern	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prohibit new overseas travel Instruct those in a country or area where infections are quickly spreading to return to Japan. Instruct those in other regions to take ample safety measures.
Level 3	When MOFA's Travel Advice and Warning on Infectious Diseases issues an "Avoid all travel" alert for the country or area of concern (avoid travel warning)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Instruct all those in foreign countries to return to Japan
Level 4	When MOFA's Travel Advice and Warning on Infectious Diseases issues an "Evacuate and avoid all travel" alert for the country or area of concern (evacuation warning)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Same as level 3

11. Meetings and Events

Risk level	Decision guideline	Countermeasures
Level 0 Overseas outbreak	When a COVID-19 outbreak occurs overseas but there have been no cases reported in Japan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meetings and events conducted as usual
Level 1 Domestic outbreak	Infections reported in the Tokyo Metropolitan Area outside of Saitama Prefecture	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scale down the event • Enforce coughing etiquette and hand hygiene • Do not create confined spaces Fully open windows on two sides of the venue for a few minutes twice or more per hour to create adequate airflow • Do not form crowds Keep a distance of one meter or more between people.
Level 2 Local outbreak (initial stage)	Infections reported in Saitama Prefecture, or if epidemiological studies can no longer confirm the contact history of infected persons in the Tokyo Metropolitan Area outside of Saitama Prefecture	<p>In addition to Level 1 countermeasures</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Keep the doors of all venues and buildings open so there is no need to touch doors and doorknobs when entering and exiting • To trace those who came into close contact when an infection occurs, record where each participant sat during meetings and ceremonies • The section in charge will maintain and store seating records • Recommend conducting meetings online
Level 3 Local outbreak (spreading stage)	<p>Infection spreading in Saitama Prefecture and the Tokyo Metropolitan Area</p> <p>Government declares a state of emergency</p> <p>Saitama Prefecture implements state of emergency measures</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cancel or reschedule large scale events and meetings • Conduct meetings online as much as possible
Level 4 Local outbreak (epidemic stage)	<p>Infections discovered among students, faculty and staff members or other university members</p> <p>Possibility of infection spreading within the university</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meetings can only be conducted online
Level 5 Local outbreak (pandemic stage)	Saitama Prefecture requests restrictions on use of designated facilities based on paragraph 2, Article 45 of the Measures for Pandemic Influenza and New Infectious Diseases Preparedness and Response	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Same as Level 4

	<p>Spread of infections among Saitama University's students and faculty and staff members</p> <p>Possibility of a COVID-19 cluster on campus</p>	
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12. Clerical and Technical Staff

Risk level	Decision guideline	Countermeasures
Level 0 Overseas outbreak	When a COVID-19 outbreak occurs overseas but there have been no cases reported in Japan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conducted as usual
Level 1 Domestic outbreak	Infections reported in the Tokyo Metropolitan Area outside of Saitama Prefecture	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enforce coughing etiquette and hand hygiene Do not create confined spaces Fully open windows on two sides of workplaces for a few minutes twice or more per hour to create adequate airflow Do not form crowds Keep a distance of one meter or more between people.
Level 2 Local outbreak (initial stage)	Infections reported in Saitama Prefecture, or if epidemiological studies can no longer confirm the contact history of infected persons in the Tokyo Metropolitan Area outside of Saitama Prefecture	<p>In addition to Level 1 countermeasures:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Staggering work hours (between 6:30 a.m. and 7:15 p.m.) is recommended Keep the doors of rooms and buildings open. That will ensure there is no need to touch doors or doorknobs when entering and exiting (excluding cold days).
Level 3 Local outbreak (spreading stage)	<p>Infection spreading in Saitama Prefecture and the Tokyo Metropolitan Area</p> <p>Government declares a state of emergency</p> <p>Saitama Prefecture implements state of emergency measures</p>	<p>In addition to Level 2 countermeasures:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Telecommuting is recommended whenever possible Keep staff members that need to commute to the university to a minimum, based on the work continuation plan Take creative measures to reduce crowding, such as by using meeting rooms, etc. as offices
Level 4 Local outbreak (epidemic stage)	<p>Infections discovered among students, faculty and staff members or other university members</p> <p>Possibility of infection spreading within the university</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Countermeasures will be decided based on extensive discussions with the Saitama Prefecture government section in charge of health management. Depending on the situation, however, all or some faculty and staff members will telecommute for a certain period.
Level 5 Local outbreak (pandemic stage)	<p>Saitama Prefecture requests restrictions on use of designated facilities based on paragraph 2, Article 45 of the Measures for Pandemic Influenza and New Infectious Diseases Preparedness and Response</p> <p>Spread of infections among</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Countermeasures will be decided based on extensive discussions with the Saitama Prefecture government section in charge of health management. Depending on the situation, however, part or all of the Okubo Campus will be closed. Some or all faculty and staff members will telecommute. The period will be determined based on discussions with the Saitama Prefecture government.

	<p>Saitama University's students and faculty and staff members</p> <p>Possibility of a COVID-19 cluster on campus</p>	
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13. Affiliated Schools

Risk level	Decision guideline	Countermeasures
Level 0 Overseas outbreak	When a COVID-19 outbreak occurs overseas but there have been no cases reported in Japan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conducted as usual
Level 1 Domestic outbreak	Infections reported in the Tokyo Metropolitan Area outside of Saitama Prefecture	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enforce coughing etiquette and hand hygiene Do not create confined spaces Fully open windows on two sides of classrooms, etc. for a few minutes twice or more per hour to create adequate airflow Do not form crowds Keep two meters or more away from other people
Level 2 Local outbreak (initial stage)	Infections reported in Saitama Prefecture, or if epidemiological studies can no longer confirm the contact history of infected persons in the Tokyo Metropolitan Area outside of Saitama Prefecture	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Significantly revise normal activities Consider measures taken by the Saitama Prefecture Board of Education and the Saitama City Board of Education
Level 3 Local outbreak (spreading stage)	<p>Infection spreading in Saitama Prefecture and the Tokyo Metropolitan Area</p> <p>Government declares a state of emergency</p> <p>Saitama Prefecture implements state of emergency measures</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Schools will be closed for a period based on state of emergency declarations and state of emergency measures Faculty and staff members will telecommute whenever possible
Level 4 Local outbreak (epidemic stage)	<p>Infections discovered among nursery school children, students, faculty and staff members, etc.</p> <p>Possibility of infection spreading within the affiliated schools</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Schools will be closed for a period based on state of emergency declarations and state of emergency measures. Countermeasures will be decided based on extensive discussions with the Saitama Prefecture government section in charge of health management. Depending on the situation, however, some or all faculty and staff members of affiliated schools will telecommute for a certain period.
Level 5 Local outbreak (pandemic stage)	Saitama Prefecture requests restrictions on use of designated facilities based on paragraph 2, Article 45 of the Measures for Pandemic Influenza and New Infectious Diseases Preparedness and Response	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Countermeasures will be decided based on extensive discussions with the Saitama Prefecture government section in charge of health management. Depending on the situation, however, some or all affiliated school facilities will be closed. Some or all faculty and staff members of affiliated schools will telecommute. The period will be determined based on discussions with the Saitama

	<p>Spread of infections among nursery school children, students, faculty and staff members</p> <p>Possibility of a COVID-19 cluster within the affiliated schools</p>	Prefecture government.
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14. Outsiders

Risk level	Decision guideline	Countermeasures
Level 0 Overseas outbreak	When a COVID-19 outbreak occurs overseas but there have been no cases reported in Japan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conducted as usual
Level 1 Domestic outbreak	Infections reported in the Tokyo Metropolitan Area outside of Saitama Prefecture	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Request visitors to wear a mask and conduct proper hand hygiene
Level 2 Local outbreak (initial stage)	Infections reported in Saitama Prefecture, or if epidemiological studies can no longer confirm the contact history of infected persons in the Tokyo Metropolitan Area outside of Saitama Prefecture	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Same as Level 1
Level 3 Local outbreak (spreading stage)	<p>Infection spreading in Saitama Prefecture and the Tokyo Metropolitan Area</p> <p>Government declares a state of emergency</p> <p>Saitama Prefecture implements state of emergency measures</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prohibit the entry of outsiders other than those the university certifies as necessary, such as postal workers, delivery personnel and construction crews
Level 4 Local outbreak (epidemic stage)	<p>Infections discovered among students, faculty and staff members or other university members</p> <p>Possibility of infection spreading within the university</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prohibit the entry of all outsiders
Level 5 Local outbreak (pandemic stage)	<p>Saitama Prefecture requests restrictions on use of designated facilities based on paragraph 2, Article 45 of the Measures for Pandemic Influenza and New Infectious Diseases Preparedness and Response</p> <p>Spread of infections among Saitama University's students and faculty and staff members</p> <p>Possibility of a COVID-19 cluster on campus</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Same as Level 4

15. Protecting Your Personal Information

When Saitama University releases information within the university or to outside organizations because a university member has been infected with COVID-19, it recognizes the particularity of personal medical information and ensures there is no disadvantage to the infected person. In this regard, the university strictly complies with the Act on the Protection of Personal Information Held by Incorporated Administrative Agencies, etc. (Act No. 59 of 2003), and considers the personal rights of infected people and other necessary matters.

Based on these principles, staff members in charge of releasing information within the university or to outside organizations will be kept to a minimum.

Attached Form

Date: _____

Name: _____

(Student number) Name	
Current situation	Your current condition, physician diagnosis content, etc.
Whether you had contact with someone infected with COVID-19	
International and domestic travel record for the past two weeks	
Information about the development of your symptoms	What symptoms do (did) you have, and from when? When did you get a fever, and how high did your temperature rise?
Information about family members living with you	Situation of COVID-19 infection
Your actions in the two days before symptoms appeared	<p>Actions while on campus The number of people you came in contact with, places you visited, etc. Classes, extracurricular activities, research activities, meetings or gatherings you attended, the number of people you came in contact with, places you visited, etc.</p> <p>Actions while off campus The number of people you came in contact with, places you visited, etc.</p>
If you have already consulted with your municipality, please state the results of the consultation	
Other	