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Dear Students,

President
Executive Vice-President for Education

Notice: Policy for Conducting Classes in 2021 AY

Since the COVID-19 infection has not yet reached the point of being under control, Kagoshima University has established the following policy for conducting classes in the 2021 academic year with the aim of both preventing the spread of infection and securing learning opportunities.

We would like to ask all of you for your understanding and cooperation.

1. We will conduct hybrid education classes that take advantage of the positive aspects of both face-to-face and distance learning classes (online), while taking into consideration the health and safety of students and faculty members.
2. In face-to-face classes, priority will be given to experiments, practical training and skills using university facilities and equipment, and the first-year education while implementing thorough infectious disease measures. In addition, in face-to-face classes, there is a limit to the number of students that can be accommodated in the classroom due to infectious disease measures, so some departments may have to conduct lotteries for attendance for some courses.
3. In distance learning classes (online), lecture-type classes with a large number of students, subjects for which it is difficult to assign classrooms, and subjects for which the advantages of distance learning classes (online) can be utilized, will be delivered in real time using the Zoom web conferencing software, or on-demand learning management systems such as manaba, YouTube, etc.
4. The information about the format of each class will be provided in the syllabus and other materials so that students can be aware of it before registration.

5. For questions and answers related to classes, announcements from the university, and other information, we will use manaba and other means to provide learning support and information.
6. We will respond appropriately to students with individual circumstances, such as international students who have difficulty entering Japan or students who may become seriously ill after contracting COVID-19.
7. We will closely monitor the status of COVID-19 infections and flexibly conduct classes depending on the situation.