

To All Self-Funded Regular International Students at Both Undergraduate and Post-Graduate Level,

(Exclude: MEXT Scholars and “Research Fellowships for Young Scientists” Special Researchers)

In order to prevent the spread of COVID-19 infection, Japanese Government has been declared a State of Emergency throughout the country. In Kumamoto City, Kumamoto Prefecture, all educational institutions including colleges and universities have been closed, also some businesses have been requested to close until further notice. By taking this into consideration, KU has decided to postpone its commencement of in-class lectures and instead, offer online classes until May 31, 2020. KU is planning to provide rental equipment to students; however, for now, please be advised to use designated facilities and equipment on campus if necessary.

Moreover, it has been reported on the news that some students have concerns in regards to how to support themselves financially, since they have lost their part-time jobs. Therefore, KU is in the belief that sharing any information and providing a financial aid to its students in a timely manner are quite important in these circumstances.

First of all, we would like to inform those who are affected by COVID-19 and in need of a financial aid as follows;

- If it is found difficult to make your rent payment and to purchase food and daily essentials due to the decrease in your household income, KU will offer an emergency financial aid of maximum 300,000 yen (150,000 yen for two-month worth) to approximately a hundred students including both Japanese and International students (there will be a screening process.)
- In order to postpone the deadline for deferral tuition-fee payment, KU's school regulation will be altered.

The details of how to apply and such will soon to be announced on the University web page, the portal, as well as via e-mail.

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