

## 《Q & A》

Q1: Where can I check for information on warnings, weather, etc.?

A1: Please refer to the top page of Kumamoto University's official website under "NEWS" for information on the University's handling of class cancellations as well as links to disaster and disaster prevention information sites.

Q2: There is an evacuation advisory, etc. in effect, but I am scheduled for a remote class. Will there be classes so I don't have to commute?

A2: Real-time remote classes (simultaneous interactive) will be cancelled due to the importance of emergency response and safety in the event of a disaster. On-demand classes will not be cancelled, but please collect sufficient weather and other information to ensure your safety first and foremost.

Q3: Evacuation of the elderly, etc. has been issued. Does this correspond to Evacuation Instructions?

A3: Evacuation of the elderly, etc. is a Level 3 evacuation and does not fall under Evacuation Instructions (Level 4).

Q4: In the case of Evacuation Instructions (landslide), why are classes cancelled only when the order is issued in Chuo Ward?

A4: There are three types of evacuation orders issued in the event of heavy rain: evacuation order, evacuation order (flooding), and evacuation order (landslide disaster). The evacuation order (landslide disaster) may be issued in a very limited area far from the university campus, so we are limiting the evacuation order to the case where it is issued in Chuo Ward.

However, if there are hazardous areas in your residence or on your way to campus, please do not force yourself to go to campus, and act to ensure your safety first and foremost.

Q5: At 6:00 a.m. (10:15 a.m.), Evacuation Information, etc. was lifted. What will happen to classes?

A5: Classes will be held as follows.

If Evacuation Information, etc. is lifted at 6:00 a.m., classes will start from the first period.

If the cancellation is made at 6:01 a.m., classes will be canceled in the morning.

If the cancellation is made at 10:15 a.m., classes will be held from the third period.

If the cancellation is made at 10:16 a.m., classes will be canceled for the entire day.

Q6: Evacuation Information, etc. was issued during class. What will happen to the class?

A6: If the students have already gathered in their classrooms and the class location is safe, classes will be held in principle. If it is necessary to cancel classes in an emergency, each faculty will announce the cancellation through in-house announcements.

Even if classes are cancelled, please ensure your safety by staying at the university if it is unsafe to leave the campus.

Q7: During my 2nd period class, Evacuation Information, etc. was issued, but I was informed by my department that classes will continue after 2nd period because the campus is safe. Do I have to come to campus from the 3rd period?

A7: If Evacuation Information, etc. is issued after classes have started, students who are already on campus for classes will be kept inside the facility to ensure their safety when they leave the university.

There is no need to come to the university for the 3rd period.

Students who are unable to attend classes will be given make-up classes to ensure that they are not disadvantaged.

Q8: I checked the Japan Meteorological Agency's website and found that a storm warning has been issued for Kumamoto City at sea, but only a warning has been issued for Kumamoto City on land. What will happen to classes in this case?

A8: The Agreement do not make any distinction as to whether the warning is for sea or land, so classes will be cancelled even if the storm warning is only for sea.

Q9: I was absent (late or left early) from class due to the suspension of public transportation due to bad weather (or an evacuation notice was issued for my residence or route to campus). How should I notify the teacher? Do I need a certificate?

A9: Please contact the teacher as indicated below. If it is difficult to contact the teacher in advance, you may do so at a later date.

If requested by the teacher in charge of the class, please submit proof of public transportation cancellations, etc. If it is difficult to issue a certificate, please take a screenshot of the official website or official X (formerly Twitter) that announces the suspension.

\*In the case of being absent from Liberal Arts courses/classes:

In principle, contact the teacher/instructor in charge of the class.

\*In the case of being absent from specialized education courses/classes:

Faculty of Letters, Faculty of Law, Graduate School of Social and Cultural Sciences,  
Faculty of Education, School of Health Sciences, Graduate School of Health Sciences:

In principle, contact the teacher/instructor in charge of the class.

School of Medicine:

[Lecture subjects] Enter the "Absence Form" for each course in the School of Medicine's Moodle course for contacting the School of Medicine.

[Clinical Practice, Special Clinical Practice] After calling each department and off-campus training site, enter the "Notification of Absence to Academic Affairs" form in the Moodle course.

School of Pharmacy and Graduate School of Pharmaceutical Sciences:

Contact the teacher/instructor in charge of the class by e-mail. (Also contact the staff in charge of Academic Affairs by cc.)

Graduate School of Medical Sciences:

Contact the staff in charge of academic affairs.

Faculty of Science, Faculty of Engineering, Graduate School of Science and Technology:

Contact the faculty member in charge of the class after reporting in the Moodle course.

If the contact information of the teacher/instructor in charge of the class is unknown, or in the case of an accident or other emergency, please contact the Educational Affairs Section of your faculty, etc.

Contact information (student consultation desk)

<https://www.kumamoto-u.ac.jp/daigakuseikatsu/kyoumu/desk>