

Coronavirus Response: A Message from the President

Dear Students of the University of Yamanashi,

Amid the novel coronavirus outbreak, the nation is urged to refrain from nonessential outings and traveling between prefectures under a state of emergency. Seeing a fast-growing number of infection cases that exceeds 50, Yamanashi Prefecture remains in the balance. In concert with the prefectural government, the University of Yamanashi Hospital has been playing an active role and making a great effort in treating patients with COVID-19, including rare cases.

I understand that the outbreak is cause for anxiety for many of you not knowing when it will end and loneliness from no social connections with others. I am certain our freshmen are disappointed by the fact that they have not experienced campus life with friends. Your wellbeing is our primary concern, so please feel free to consult with the university without holding it alone if you have any problems.

Along with public economic assistance such as scholarship and tuition waiver by the Japan Student Services Organization, we will provide financial relief to our students in distress.

The University of Yamanashi will be commencing this academic year online as of May 7. This is an unprecedented start that may create inconvenience. I hope that we will be able to overcome this unprecedented crisis and see you on campus soon.

We ask all of you to follow the necessary guidelines to help stem the spread of the novel coronavirus. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.



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*Student Help Page: <https://www.yamanashi.ac.jp/campuslife/344>