

To all university clubs, circles, and students

Refraining from extracurricular activities and temporary suspension of the use of facilities

As detailed in the notice “Measures to prevent the spread of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) in classes and lectures” (issued on March 25), in order to prevent the spread of the novel coronavirus, the university is requesting all students to return home directly after classes or lectures, and not to remain at the university for any reason. All revision and preparation for classes, etc., should be done at home. For the time being, the university also strongly requests all students not to engage in any extracurricular activities on or off campus, including the activities of university clubs or circles (official or unofficial).

Accordingly, use of the following facilities for extracurricular activities shall also be suspended:

- North Campus: Sports Ground, shower booths and toilets, clubhouse, Kitashirakawa Gymnasium, →Kitashirakawa meeting space and horse-riding ground (except for the purpose of taking care of the horses).
- Yoshida-South Campus: Building No.4, Academic Center Building, Sports Ground, tennis courts, and student meeting place. →Shukaisho clubhouse
- West Campus: Sports gymnasium, swimming pool, lecture hall, →Seibu-Kodo Hall and buildings for extracurricular activities. →Seibu clubhouse
- Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences Campus: Volleyball courts, tennis courts, kyudo (Japanese archery) court, archery court, sumo arena, and clubhouse.
- Others: Uji Sports Ground (rugby ground and multi-purpose ground), student training camp and clubhouse, →Uji training camp, rugby clubhouse, Ishiyama boathouse and training camp, Seta boathouse, Otsu yacht house, Mototanaka clubhouse, Shirahama Seaside House, and Shigakogen Hutte.

Regarding other clubhouses, etc., managed by faculties and departments, please follow the instructions of the relevant faculty or department.

If you need to briefly enter a club room for unavoidable reasons, please take all possible measures to prevent the spread of the novel coronavirus, including the following:

- Wear a face mask, if possible.
- Wash your hands or clean your hands with a hand sanitizer before entering and after leaving the room.
- Maintain a safe distance from others (sufficient distance so that two people can extend their arms towards each other without touching)
- Return home immediately after finishing what you have to do.

It is currently a crucial time for the prevention of the spread of the novel coronavirus, so please refrain from the following activities to welcome or recruit new students:

- Face-to-face recruitment activities on and outside campuses
- Handing out leaflets to new students and distributing leaflets in classrooms
- Lining up and waiting for the arrival of new students
- Holding welcome parties for new students and socializing over food and drinks

Each individual must take all possible measures to prevent the spread of infection. Kyoto University understands that extracurricular activities are important activities for students. However, currently, as the number of untraceable coronavirus infections continues to increase throughout Japan, please prioritize the health and safety of yourselves and others. We hope that all of our students will act wisely during the current crisis.

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