

Notice to international students and researchers coming to Kagawa University
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(Coronavirus disease 2019: COVID-19)

The 2019 novel coronavirus (2019-nCoV), officially named as COVID-19 by the WHO, has spread to many countries apart from China. Japan is one of the countries that have been specified to have confirmed or suspected COVID-19 cases. As of February 21, 2020, however, there is no confirmation of any widespread cases within the country. Furthermore, there is no report of any case in Kagawa Prefecture at this point of time.

Before entering Japan, students and researchers should check the following homepages.

- Ministry of Health, Labor, and Welfare (in Japanese, English, Chinese, Korean)
https://www.mhlw.go.jp/stf/seisakunitsuite/bunya/0000164708_00001.html
- Kagawa Prefecture (in Japanese, English, Italian, German, French, Chinese, Korean)
<https://www.pref.kagawa.lg.jp/content/etc/subsite/kansenshoujohou/kansen/sr5cfn200127213457.shtml>

In addition, apart from Japan, many countries have announced and imposed specific rules and precautionary procedures on their citizens who are traveling abroad. As such, international students and researchers arriving in Japan or departing from Japan should also check for the latest information from the homepages of their respective home countries.

Safety procedures and caution with regards to entry (during and after) into Japan

1. Travelers from Hubei and Zhejiang Provinces, China
Anyone who was in Hubei or Zhejiang Province within 14 days of the arrival date in Japan are not permitted to enter Japan.
2. Travelers from other parts of China (except Hubei and Zhejiang Provinces), and countries other than China
There is no restriction of entry into Japan. However, the following procedures must be strictly observed.
 - 14 days before arriving in Japan, do not travel to, or come into physical contact with residents of Hubei Province or Zhejiang Province.
 - Before leaving your home, check your health condition. As an example, if your body temperature is above 37.5 degrees, contact your home university, cancel or postpone your flight, and wait until your health improved before coming to Japan.
 - After boarding the airplane, observe the procedures in the attached flowchart.
 - The incubation period for the virus is about 2 weeks. Even if your body temperature is normal or if you do not feel unwell, you must do the following for the next two weeks after arrival: wear a face mask in public; and monitor your health condition. If you feel unwell, immediately contact the New Coronavirus Consultation Desk (Tel: 0120-565653: 9:00-21:00, everyday), and your affiliated faculty at Kagawa University.

The Japanese government is closely monitoring the situation and updating the information accordingly. Kagawa University shall promptly convey new updates as they come.

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After boarding the airplane bound for Japan, observe the following procedures.

At port of entry, do you have high fever (body temperature above 37.5 degrees), cough, or difficulty in breathing?

Yes, symptoms present

Report to Quarantine Officer at port of entry

No symptoms

Everyday for the next two weeks, monitor body temperature and check health condition. Avoid going outside unnecessarily. When coughing, observe etiquette. Wash hands with soap or alcohol disinfectant.

If symptoms appear within 2 weeks after entry

If symptoms do not appear within 2 weeks after entry

End of safety procedure

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