

To all the students of GSIS (Graduate School of Information Sciences)

Thank you for your cooperation in preventing the spread of novel coronavirus (COVID-19) infection.

We would like to inform you following information according to the change of the Tohoku University Action Guidelines (BCP) to level 2, effective from January 18, 2022 in response to the nationwide spread of the Omicron variant.

In addition, please avoid high-risk activities and take thorough infection prevention measures since many cases of infection among the university are caused by off-campus activities.

【Research Activities】

- ◆ Research activities may be conducted in the laboratory (in the building) by the permission of the supervisor only when the supervisor deems it necessary. In such cases, students are required to follow the hygiene rules set by the GSIS and the laboratory while minimizing the time spent in those locations. Students are also encouraged to do their work from home when possible.
- ◆ Please refer to the library's website for information on access to the library.

【Classes】

- ◆ At BCP Level 2, classes will be conducted both face-to-face and online, with adequate infection control measures in place, but please follow the instructions of the class instructor.

【Extracurricular activities】

- ◆ Extracurricular activities can be carried out as long as the permission is obtained.

【Others】

- ◆ Please refrain from participating in meetings that create the "three-Cs" environment, such as meetings that involve eating and drinking.
- ◆ To avoid the risk of infection, please refrain from traveling and returning to your hometown/country as much as possible. If this is unavoidable, please take all possible measures to prevent infection.
- ◆ Please contact your supervisor/sub-supervisor on how to proceed with your research and your concerns, and consult with them.
- ◆ Please check the following university and GSIS websites daily.
 - GSIS <http://www.is.tohoku.ac.jp/index.html>
 - Tohoku University <http://www.tohoku.ac.jp/en/>
- ◆ If you are feeling unwell at all, please refrain from coming to school and promptly contact the followings:
 - Supervisor or sub-supervisor.
 - GSIS Academic Affairs Section is-kyom@grp.tohoku.ac.jp 022-795-5814 (weekdays only)
 - Tohoku University Student Health Care Center infection2020@grp.tohoku.ac.jp
- ◆ Please also refer to the University's website "What to do if you feel unwell".
Sendai City Medical Consultation Center (Call Center) is also available: 022-398-9211 (24 hours)

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