

Dear students and colleagues,

Suspension of on-campus face-to-face classes - UPDATE

Warm greetings from the University. We hope you and your family are doing well during this difficult time.

Given the rapidly changing situation in connection with the Coronavirus COVID-19 and the need to safeguard your health which is our first priority, the University has reviewed and further decided on the class arrangements as follows:

- (1) Studies will continue in the form of eLearning, i.e. there will not be any on-campus face-to-face classes until further notice (after 28 May 2020 when all content-based courses are completed, and when the situation allows).
- (2) For courses with practical work such as laboratory or studio sessions that must be delivered face-to-face, make-up classes will be arranged in June and may extend further into the summer. Please take this into account when planning for your summer engagements. Programme directors and course instructors should inform your students on the make-up class arrangements as early as possible.
- (3) For non-local students currently outside Hong Kong: NO NEED to return to Hong Kong and instead continue your studies via eLearning. The best way to safeguard your health is to observe strict personal hygiene and stay where you are until it is safe to travel. If you are required to return to Hong Kong for make-up classes in the summer, we will duly inform you to do so when the situation allows.

Students should seek assistance from course instructors and programme directors if they have any questions about the class and assessment arrangements.

In view of the exceptional worldwide health risk and unprecedented challenges we are facing, your understanding and support is crucial. Please stay alert to the latest developments and find updates on HKBU's Bulletin Board (<http://ehsu.hkbu.edu.hk/2019-nCOV/>) and the Government website (www.gov.hk).

Please take care and wish you and your family good health.

Best regards,

Roland T Chin
President

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