本学における新型コロナウイルス感染者発生について (第5報)

3月21日から4月1日にかけて、APUの学生7名が新型コロナウイルス感染症の陽性であることが判明し、全員が変異株による感染でした。またその他、APハウスに入寮した新入生1名についても陽性であることが確認されました。

APハウスについては、その後の検査の結果、それ以外の居住者の感染はありませんでした。なお、感染した居住者は県の指定施設で療養中です。また別途、複数の課外活動団体参加学生の感染が確認されています。保健所の指導のもと、引き続き濃厚接触者の調査を進めています。

この事態を受け、この間の感染対策に加えて、以下の対応を行います。

- ・4月1日より2週間程度の対面の課外活動停止
- ・授業開始前の新入生オリエンテーションのオンライン実施への全面切り替え
- ・全学生への健康観察実施を含む強い注意喚起

なお万全の感染対策をとり、4月12日より春セメスターの授業を予定通り開始します。

この事態を受けまして、既設の「APU 対策本部」において、大分県、保健所等の関係機関と協力しながら感染拡大の抑止をさらに強化してまいります。

APUではこの間、学生や教職員に向けた感染防止対策・啓発活動を行ってきましたが、今回複数の感染者が発生したことを大変重く受けとめております。今後より一層強く、一人ひとりが、人に感染させない・自分が感染しないための行動を徹底するよう、啓発に努めてまいります。

本学の感染防止のための対応につきましては、下記のホームページからご覧いただけます。 https://www.apu.ac.jp/home/notice/content3/

地域の皆様、関係者の皆様には、大変ご心配をおかけしております。 感染した学生・ご家族等の人権尊重・個人情報保護にご理解とご配慮をお願いいたします。

April 1, 2021

University's response to COVID-19 infections (Fifth report)

Between March 21 and April 1, seven APU students were found to be positive for COVID-19. All seven of them were infected with a mutated strain. In addition to these cases, another student who moved into AP House was confirmed positive for the virus.

In regard to the infected student who was a resident of AP House, further testing showed that no other residents were infected. The infected resident is now undergoing treatment at a facility designated by

the prefecture. In addition, other infected students have been confirmed to have been participating in extracurricular activities. Under the guidance of the public health center, we are continuing to investigate those who have been in close contact with these students.

In response to this situation, we will take the following measures in addition to the infection control measures we have been taking.

- Suspension of face-to-face extracurricular activities for about two weeks from April 1.
- · Switching to online orientation for new students prior to the start of classes.
- Stronger awareness and prevention measures including health monitoring for all students.

While having taken all possible measures to prevent infection, we will begin spring semester classes as scheduled on April 12.

In response to the situation, the APU Countermeasures Task Force will continue to work with Oita Prefecture, local health centers, and other related organizations in making the prevention of the spread of the infection a top priority.

While APU has been implementing infection prevention measures and raising awareness among students, faculty and staff, we take the outbreak of these multiple cases very seriously. We will work even harder to raise awareness so that each and every one of us takes thorough actions to prevent others from becoming infected and ourselves from becoming infected.

For more information about the measures APU has taken to prevent infection, visit the following website:

https://en.apu.ac.jp/home/notice/content3/

We are deeply concerned for the health of the students as well as the health of everyone at APU and in the local community.

We respectfully ask that everyone respect the privacy of the affected students and their families.