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To Students,

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Regarding the Measure to Study and Research at the Graduate School of Environmental Science

Hokkaido University now warns all students and faculty members to avoid opportunities such as a long conversation by multiple people at close range and/or in a closed space with little ventilation, as there is a risk of the secondary infection of the COVID-19. Given the situation, the Graduate School of Environmental Science is making great efforts to secure opportunities to study and research for our students with preventing the potential transmission of the COVID-19.

Several main courses of the first semester will start from this week, as well as research activities. We would like to inform you that the graduate school orders our faculty members to take the following measures according to individual situations for preventing the secondary infection. We appreciate your understanding and cooperation.

1. Regarding classes

- Maintain a certain distance among attendees and have adequate ventilation in the classroom
- Shorten class time if necessary
- Change the classroom depending on the number of the attendees
- Switch to online class if necessary (the Intensive Course Introduction to Environmental Science is underway in this style)
- Be flexible regarding attendance in class
- Consider canceling classes this academic year if necessary

2. Regarding research activities

- Maintain a certain distance among students and have adequate ventilation in research environments
- Limit the activities to the minimum required while discussing well with your students
- Encourage all lab members to wash hands with soap and wear a face mask as they can
- Consider shifting working hours if necessary

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