To all students

Executive Director and Vice President Education and International Affairs

Notice Regarding Classes and Campus Access Restrictions from January 24

Coronavirus infections from the omicron variant are surging nationwide, and the Tokyo Metropolitan Government implemented priority preventive measures as of Friday, January 21. At the university as well, we are seeing a rapid increase in new infections and close contact with those infected.

These are the conditions we now face, but the university's response acknowledges the fact that there are few classes left this semester, that regular exams are still scheduled, and that studies (including for undergraduate and graduate theses) are now coming to a close at the end of the academic year. Thus, at this time, classes and regular exams that can be held online will be conducted this way, and those that cannot will be conducted in person under strict containment measures.

If you are prevented by health issues such as a fever or cough from joining in-person classes or activities, we will take steps to ensure that your studies are not adversely affected. In case you feel ill and have symptoms such as fever, fatigue, cough, difficulty breathing, sore throat, or headache, immediately contact your regular physician or a nearby medical institution. Respond appropriately, as described in Measures to Prevent Covid-19 Infection in Classes and on Campus (November 2, 2021).

Always bring your student ID card with you on campus. Students are still required to present their ID card at the guard station.

We also ask that you check the Live Campus academic system regularly for news of any changes in how classes are being conducted.

As mentioned, the state of infections in Tokyo has rapidly worsened. More than ever, be especially careful to avoid infection with the omicron variant—not only when you are on campus studying or researching but also when commuting. In particular, be careful about 1–4 below.

- (1) Keep your mask on and wear it correctly. (Non-woven masks are recommended.)
- (2) Be scrupulous about using sanitizer to keep your hands clean.
- (3) When talking before or after class, ensure sufficient distance (at least 1 meter). Do not stand in crowds or close together.
- (4) Avoid eating together before and after classes or other activities (especially meals with alcohol or events in crowded places). Afterward, return home as soon as possible.

In case of any changes to these measures in response to changing infection levels or other developments, the university will issue additional notices.