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Dear All Students

SOKENDAI Student Dispatch Program Office

SOKENDAI Student Dispatch Program: Students’ Overseas Travel and Suspension of 2nd Call for Application in AY2020 (Notice)

In light of the global spread of novel coronavirus infections, we hereby make the following announcement with respect to this year’s program:

Notes

1. Students’ Overseas Travel
   From the standpoint of ensuring the health and safety of students, the University will as a basic rule not allow overseas travel to areas where the risk warning (including risk warnings concerning infectious diseases) issued by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs is at Level 2 or higher.
   (Reference)
   Ministry of Foreign Affairs Overseas Safety Website  https://www.anzen.mofa.go.jp/

2. Suspension of 2nd Call for Application (Possible Departure Dates: August 1 ~ October 31, 2020)
   Due to the current situation in which it is impossible to predict when the global spread of infection will come under control, we have suspended the 2nd application, the deadline for which was Friday, May 29.

   As an alternative measure, in the event the risk warning (including risk warnings concerning infectious diseases) for a travel destination falls below Level 1 during the period from now until Friday, August 28, and travel that departs by October 31 can be anticipated*, the University will at such time accept applications for the Program as part of the 3rd call for application through submission of the Travel Notification Form, Emergency Contact Form (Form3-1), and other paperwork required to apply for the Program. However, for applications selected as a result of these procedures, the allowance for travel expenses will be paid via reimbursement. For more information, please contact the office.

   *The lifting of all state-of-emergency declarations nationwide is a precondition with respect to Category 3.

3. 3rd Call for Application (Possible Departure Date: November 1, 2020, Finish (Return) by March 6, 2021)
   A 3rd Application (application deadline: August 28) is scheduled, but if the spread of the infection is not under control and the situation does not improve, this too will be suspended
in similar fashion. The University will notify you regarding whether it takes place or not.

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