

# Osaka University's COVID-19 response levels (as of 14 April)

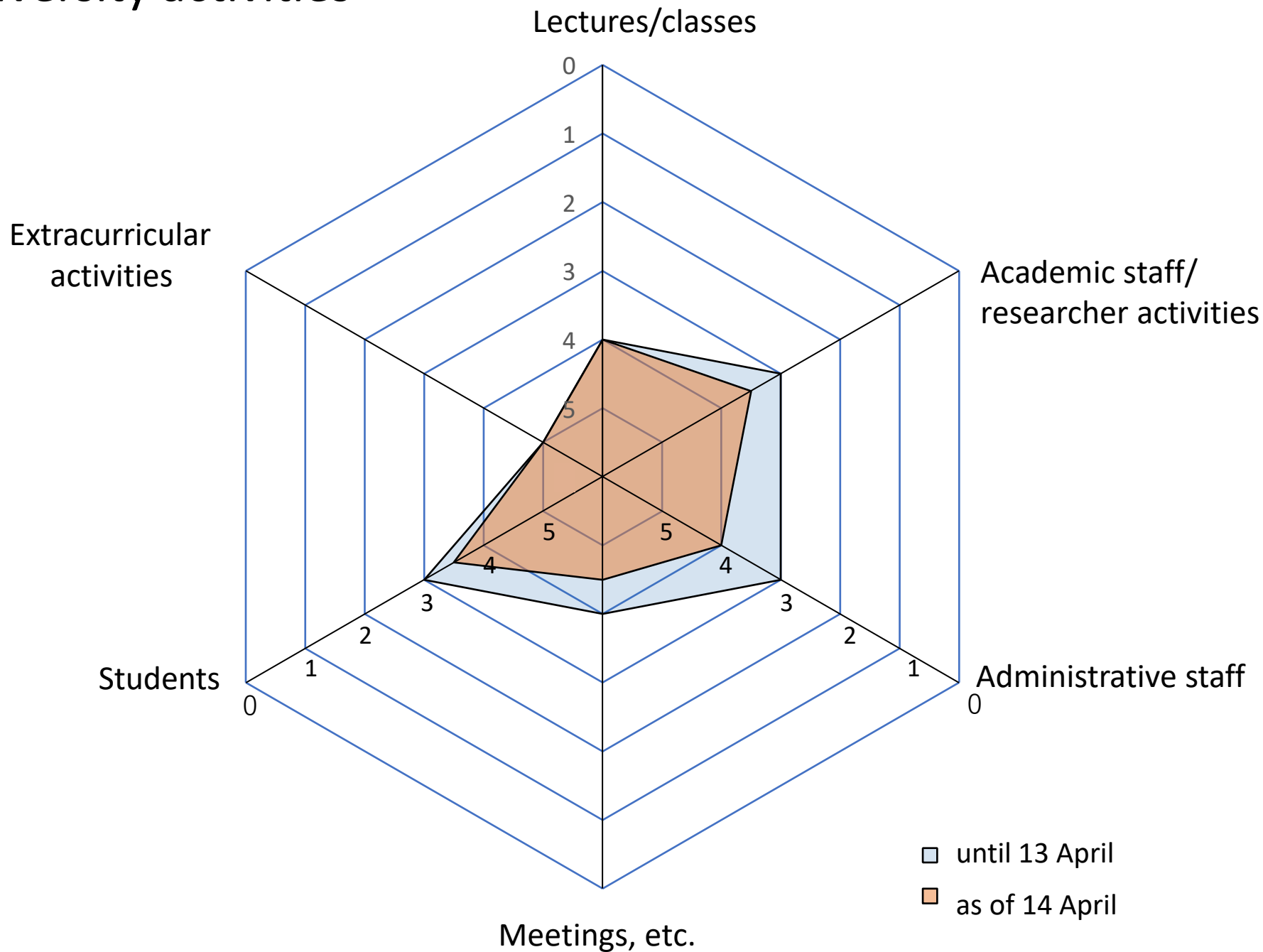
In order to respond properly and flexibly to the government's policies and requests concerning COVID-19, Osaka University will implement the following measures regarding university activities.  
(excluding University Hospitals)

The following slides present a visualization of levels of response regarding 6 categories of university activity.

We appreciate your understanding and cooperation.

1. Lectures/classes
2. Academic staff/researcher activities (raised from level 3 to 3.5 ) **UPDATED**
3. Administrative staff (raised from level 3 to level 4) **UPDATED**
4. Meetings, etc. (raised from level 4 to level 4.5) **UPDATED**
5. Students (raised from level 3 to 3.5) **UPDATED**
6. Extracurricular activities

# University activities



# 1. Lectures/classes

## Activity

## Level

## Specific activity standards

Normal; no change

0

-Seminars/practical training/workshops /classes are to be held as normal.  
-Online classes can be considered.

1

-Seminars/practical training/workshops are to be limited.  
-Classes held as normal.  
-Lectures should be conducted primarily online.

2

-Lectures are to be conducted online whenever possible.  
-Undertake measures to stop the spread of infection.  
-Seminars/practical training/workshops are restricted.  
-Classes are to be limited.

3

All classes are to be conducted online.

4

All lectures are to cease.

5

### Current Level: 4.0

- All classes are to be conducted online.
- All on-campus university network access points such as those at the university libraries, etc.) will be shut-down.
- If it becomes difficult for students to attend online classes due to this shut-down, their instruction will be implemented at a later date.

## 2. Academic staff/researcher activities

### Activity

Normal; no change

-Undertake measures to stop the spread of infection while carrying on with research activities.  
-If research can be carried out at home it is not necessary to come to any campuses.

-Continue your research as normal.  
-Seminars, journal clubs, practice sessions, etc. or other gatherings are to cease.  
-Online discussions are recommended.

- Coming to a campus will be permitted when the purpose is related to online classes.  
-Only the minimum number of researchers required to conduct classes and continue ongoing experiments and research will be permitted on campuses.

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-All research not related to COVID-19 is to cease on all campuses.  
-A minimal number of staff will be permitted to enter labs to preserve assets such as lab animals, liquid nitrogen, cold storage, etc.

- Coming to a campus will be permitted when the purpose is related to online classes.  
-A minimal number of staff are permitted to enter labs to preserve research assets at all research labs.

### Level

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### Specific activity standards

#### Current Level: 3.5

- Coming to a campus will be permitted when the purpose is related to online classes.
- Coming to a campus will only be permitted if there is an urgent need or an ongoing experiment that cannot be stopped.
- New experiments/research on campus must not begin.

### 3. Administrative staff

#### Activity

#### Level

#### Specific activity standards

Normal; no change

0

-Undertake measures to stop the spread of infection.  
-Attend work as usual.

1

Shift working hours/telework.

2

-Only the minimum number of staff required to maintain the status quo will be permitted on campuses.

3

-Only the minimum number of staff required for emergency services (fire, flood, storm damage etc.) will be permitted on campuses. All other employees are not to come to work.

4

-Only employees who maintain facilities are permitted to work on campuses.

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#### Current Level: 4

- Only the minimum number of staff required for emergency services (fire, flood, storm damage etc.) will be permitted on campuses. All other employees are not to come to work.
- Only the minimum number of staff required for responses concerning COVID-19 policies will be permitted on campus (including CMT\*, HR and procurement related departments, etc.).

\*Crisis Management Team consists of the following departments:

- General Affairs Division, Department of General Affairs
- Office for Safety and Hygiene
- Public Relations Division, Department of Planning

## 4. Meetings, etc.

### Activity

### Level

### Specific activity standards

Normal; no change

0

-Undertake measures to stop the spread of infection while holding meetings.

1

-Undertake measures to stop the spread of infection while holding meetings.  
-Online meetings are recommended.

2

-Undertake measures to stop the spread of infection while holding meetings.  
-Hold meetings online whenever possible.

3

-Meetings with 10 or more people will be held online [this number includes all in attendance].

4

-All meetings are to be held online.

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### Current Level: 4.5

- Regularly held meetings are to be online only.
- Meetings regarding policies for COVID-19 responses may be held as long as all participating members are less than **10**.

# 5. Students

## Activity

## Level

## Specific activity standards

Normal; no change

0

-Undergraduate students are to refrain from coming to the university whenever possible.  
-This does not include students attending lectures.

1

-Undergraduate students are not to come to the university.  
-Graduate students are to refrain from coming to the university whenever possible.

2

-Undergraduate/graduate students are not permitted to come to any campus. However, this does not include graduate students with ongoing experiments or research.

3

-Graduate students/researchers, etc. whose research is not related to COVID-19 are to cease coming to the university.

4

All students are to cease coming to the university.

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### Current Level: 3.5

- Undergraduate students are not to come to any campus.
- As a basic rule, master course students are not to come to the university.
- Doctor course students who have an urgent need to come to the university (such as ongoing experiments/research) may be permitted on campus.

## 6. Extracurricular activities

### Activity

### Level

### Specific activity standards

Normal; no change

0

-Undertake all measures to stop the spread of infection.

1

-Cease gatherings on and off campuses in rooms (small or large).

2

-Depending on the situation of extracurricular activities, activities will be allowed in part.

3

-Only contactless activities that also do not involve equipment (such as balls) may be permitted.

4

All extracurricular activities are to cease.

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**Current Level: 5.0**

- All extracurricular activities are suspended until further notice.