



Hope International University continues to monitor developments related to the Novel Coronavirus. We have activated an emergency response team who will work to ensure our campus takes precautionary measures to mitigate the risk of infection and have appropriate plans in place in the event there is an infection reported on campus. At this time, there have been no cases of the disease on campus. We are following the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) published recommendations to avoid an outbreak on campus and to be prepared in case of a widespread outbreak in our area.

#### **CURRENT ACTIONS**

Here are some steps that HIU is already taking or that we will be taking shortly:

- The Emergency Response Team has met and will meet regularly.
- Custodians are using industrial disinfectant and taking extra steps in cleaning.
- Informational videos will be made available to students, faculty, and staff about how to reduce the spread of viruses through email links that will be sent out and placed on Canvas.
- We have ordered additional disinfectant supplies that will be made available on campus.
- Offices on campus are preparing plans for the continuation of essential operations in the event of a campus shutdown of two weeks or more.
- Faculty are preparing to move on-campus instruction online, if necessary.
- Cafeteria staff is ensuring there are enough food supplies on campus.
- We are in communication with the Fullerton/Brea Fire Department, Emergency Medical Service, for the latest information and advice.

#### **SYMPTOMS**

The following comes for the Centers for Disease Control website (<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/about/symptoms.html>)

For confirmed coronavirus disease (COVID-19) cases, reported illnesses have ranged from mild symptoms to severe illness and death. Symptoms can include:

- Fever
- Cough
- Shortness of breath

CDC believes at this time that symptoms of COVID-19 may appear in as few as 2 days or as long as 14 days after exposure. This is based on what has been seen previously as the incubation period of MERS-CoV viruses.

#### **SUMMER TRAVEL ABROAD**

Should the travel conditions in the area where you are studying reach the CDC Level 3 or U.S. State Department Level 4 travel advisory, which is currently the case in China only, we will require that you leave the area. Our office of Study Abroad will immediately contact you to facilitate your safe departure and work with you to establish an academic continuity plan.

#### **SPRING BREAK TRAVEL**

HIU recognizes and adheres to the travel advisories enacted by the U.S. Department of State and the Centers for Disease Control. For the most up-to-date travel restrictions and guidelines, please visit the CDC Information for Travel page at [wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel](http://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel). Students, faculty, and staff who are planning to travel during the upcoming Spring break and return from a country that is classified as Level 3 or higher by the CDC for COVID-19 at [wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/notices/](http://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/notices/) are required to self-quarantine for 14 days and not return to campus unless they are asymptomatic for that period. Those returning from countries classified by the CDC as Levels 1 and 2 are required to monitor themselves for symptoms for 14 days and take their temperature twice a day. If they develop even a mild cough or low-grade fever (*i.e. a temperature of 100° F or more*) they should stay at home and self-quarantine. This means avoiding close contact (*6 feet or nearer*) with other people, including family members. They should also telephone their healthcare provider or the local public health department, giving them details of their recent travel and symptoms.

#### **ADVICE**

If you are experiencing symptoms, seek medical help immediately either from your private physician or the nearest medical center. If you are experiencing symptoms, do **NOT** attend classes or other events and do **NOT** come into work. Absence policies for both students and employees will be relaxed during this period. Please err on the side of staying in or staying home. Students or employees should not return to classes or work until they have been free of fever and other symptoms, without the use of fever- or symptom-reducing medicines, for at least 24 hours.

More updates and information will follow.