

Tokyo Metropolitan University 2020 Academic Year Class Commencement Postponement

The postponement matters will be handled as follows. Please reference “Message from the President” for explanations concerning the intent, etc., behind the postponement decision.

The following matters will be put into application from April 1, 2020 (Wednesday).

1) 2020 Academic Year Class Commencement Postponement

As described below, commencement of undergraduate and graduate classes at Tokyo Metropolitan University has been postponed.

This year’s first term classes will commence on May 11 (Monday). Student card issuance, guidance, etc., are scheduled as follows, and there will be another announcement on April 1 (Wednesday) with detailed information. As up-to-date information is posted on the university’s website (<https://www.tmu.ac.jp/news/topics/24000.html>) (as well as those for each graduate course, etc.), students are asked to suitable utilize it.

Outline of Schedule Matters Moving Forward: *Further details will be provided on the university’s website, etc.

Student Card Issuance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New undergraduate students will be mailed temporary student cards from April 1 (Wednesday). Their standard student cards are then scheduled to be issued from May 7 (Thursday). • Student cards for current students are scheduled for issuance on May 7 (Thursday) and May 8 (Friday) at each campus. *Even after April, students can use their Tokyo Metropolitan University student card to establish their status, if the card is still valid. • For new graduate students, research students, etc., a May 7 (Thursday) delivery is scheduled, generally speaking, by these individuals are asked to please contact the university using the information provided below.
Course Registration Guidance	Image materials scheduled to be posted on the university’s website from April 1 (Wednesday) on
Basic Seminar Guidance	Image materials scheduled to be posted on the university’s website from April 1 (Wednesday) on
Online Syllabus Publication	The latest version is scheduled for publication on May 20 (Monday)
Separate Guidance by Department	Scheduled for May 7 (Thursday)
General Course Registration Consultation	Scheduled for May 8 (Friday)
First Term Class Commencement	Scheduled for May 11 (Monday)

2) Students will not be able to utilize any of the campus facilities, as a general rule

All of the facilities located at each of the university’s campus will, as a general rule, be unusable to students

from April 1 through May 6.

*However, this shall not apply to cases specifically recognized as necessary by supervisors, nor to cases necessitating that a particular student visit a campus, such as for student consultation, career consultation, application and/or issuance of a certificate, etc. Students are asked to feel free to inquire into any unclear points.

Facilities That Cannot be Used, as a General Rule:

- Minamiosawa Campus - All facilities Hino Campus - All facilities
- Arakawa Campus - All facilities Marunouchi Campus
- Harumi Campus - All facilities Iidabashi Campus - All facilities
- Akihabara Campus - All facilities

*In addition to classrooms, libraries, data processing facilities, physical education facilities, facilities used by student groups, etc., will be included here.

3) Student group extra-curricular activities

As facilities used by student groups cannot be used from April 1 through May 6, extra-curricular activities cannot be carried out at the school during this period.

Outside the university campuses as well, students are asked to exercise self-control regarding student group activities (sporting events, other group events, etc.).

The Student Support Center will send notifications to each group containing further details.

4) Students moving from abroad or a different location in Japan to enter the university

An immediate move is not strictly necessary prior to course commencement, as informative images, etc., will be distributed online. Students are encouraged to consider the idea postponing their move, to the extent that this is possible.

¹*We would appreciate any consideration here, to whatever extent is possible

²*Please also refer to the “Tokyo Metropolitan University 2020 Academic Year Class Commencement Postponement Q&A”

5) Other matters

(1) Points of note in everyday life

In order to prevent the spread of the disease, both the national government and Tokyo as a city have called for residents to avoid situations where the following three conditions occur simultaneously:

- Poor or non-existent ventilation
- Large numbers of people gathering in close quarters
- Personal distance not being maintained

Given the urgency currently facing us, students are asked to keep the above information in mind in your everyday activities.

(2) Given the current circumstances here in Japan, with COVID-19 spreading, the response indicated here may change at a point in the future.

We ask that you please frequently check and refer to the university’s website:

(<https://www.tmu.ac.jp/news/topics/24000.html>)

6) Contact information for inquiries

(1) Matters related to educational affairs

- Minamiosawa Campus: 042-677-1111 (Main)

• First and second-year undergraduate students	Academic Affairs Office	Extension 2216
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(excepting second-year Faculty of Health Sciences students)		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Third and fourth-year undergraduate students • Graduate students 	Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences Graduate School of Humanities	Extension 1116
	Faculty of Law Graduate School of Law and Politics	Extension 1516
	Faculty of Economics and Business Administration	Extension 1717
	Faculty of Science Graduate School of Science	Extension 3033
	Faculty of Urban Environmental Sciences Graduate School of Urban Environmental Sciences	Extension 4023

• Hino Campus: 042-585-8611

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Third and fourth-year undergraduate students • Graduate students 	Faculty of Systems Design Graduate School of Systems Design	Extension 8611
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• Arakawa Campus: 03-3819-1211 (Main)

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Second, third and fourth-year undergraduate students • Graduate students 	Faculty of Health Sciences Graduate School of Human Health Sciences	Extension 221
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• Harumi Campus: 03-3536-7756

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Graduate students 	Legal Training Specialization (Law School)	
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• Marunouchi Satellite Campus: 03-6268-0521 (Main)

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Graduate students 	Management Specialization, Graduate School of Social Sciences Graduate School of Management	
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(2) Regarding extra-curricular activities and student consultation:

Student Support Center – Student Affairs Office

042-677-1111 (Main), Extension 2111

“Tokyo Metropolitan University 2020 Academic Year Class Commencement Postponement” Q&A

Question 1

- I’m a new Tokyo Metropolitan University student, and am scheduled to move to the Tokyo area at the end of March.
- The notice I received from the university suggested considering the idea of postponing the move. However, I’ve already contracted with a moving company, and a change to this agreement would be quite difficult, given my situation. Do I need to cancel these arrangements?

Answer 1

- Continuing with the move as scheduled will pose no problems. If the contract has already been entered into, I imagine that modifying this would prove quite difficult. Please do not worry here, as the intent behind the request in the notice was more to “consider postponing your move if doing so is feasible, and if your situation allows flexibility in deciding your move-in day.”
- Also, even after your move, please factor in the information provided in the notices from this university, and pay full mind to managing your health.

Question 2

- This April, I will be starting my second year of undergraduate studies at the university.
- I have been spending the spring break period at my family’s home in Tohoku. I had planned on returning to my residence in Tokyo at the end of March, but would it be okay for me not to do so until May?
- I would like to spent April at my family’s home if possible, but the idea of not being near the university after April does worry me. Could you please share your thoughts with me, from the university’s perspective?

Answer 2

- It will not be an issue if you are not near the university for the month of April. If you would like to stay at your family’s home until the end of Golden Week, that would not be a problem.
- Information necessary for you will be provided on the university’s website, etc. As long as you can return to your residence in Tokyo by May 7 and 8, when new student cards will be delivered, there will be no issue.

Question 3

- I am a new student in one of the university’s science departments, and my move to Tokyo is scheduled for this weekend. However, the current situation, with no classes for a month, has left me feeling insecure about my new life as a student in the city. I don’t have any acquaintances in the area, and thus have no one to speak to about this. What should I do here?

Answer 3

o Tokyo Metropolitan University offers various consultation services, such as those provided by our Student Support Center. Our Academic Affairs Office and pertinent responsible parties are available for course-related discussions. Students are encouraged to utilize these services if need be, and without hesitation.

*For contact details, please refer to the “Tokyo Metropolitan University 2020 Academic Year Class Commencement Postponement.”