

To Students

Vice President for Education
and Student Affairs

[Important notice!]

**UF Severe Weather Policy:
Cancellation of Classes, Exams, Trainings, etc.**

It is the policy of the University of Fukui to follow in cases of extremely severe weather the procedures specified below at the three campuses, Bunkyo, Matsuoka, and Tsuruga.

Students are strongly advised to confirm class cancellation via the Student Portal, the University website, etc., where necessary information is to be provided.

1. Class cancellation

(1) In the event of severe weather warnings from the Fukui Local Meteorological Office or evacuation directions from the local governments concerned, the following procedures will be followed by the University of Fukui.

① Emergency warnings (see Note 1 below)

○ All three campuses

A. In case such warnings and directions have been announced by 6 a.m.

→ All classes for the day will be cancelled.

B. In case they have been announced after 8:30 a.m.

→ Classes for the day may be cancelled or not, depending on the situation.

Note 1: Criteria for emergency warnings

○ Emergency weather warnings will be announced if one or more of the following are highly expected:

• Extremely heavy rainfalls, heavy windstorms, high tides, high waves, severe snowstorms, and heavy snowfalls, all of which are considered to occur only once in several decades.

○ Emergency warnings of tsunamis, volcanic activities and earthquakes will be announced,

• if a tsunami over 3 m high is expected.

• if a volcanic eruption is expected that may cause serious damage to the local residential areas.

• if an earthquake with a seismic intensity of more than lower 6 is expected.

② Warnings (see Note 2 below)

○ **Bunkyo campus**

A. If such a warning has been announced by 6 a.m. and all or most of the train and bus services provided by JR (Japan Railways), Echizen Tetsudo, Keifuku Bus, and Fukui Tetsudo have been stopped at their respective major stations or terminals in central Fukui (henceforth, the transportation by these companies will be referred to as ‘public transportation’),

→ All morning classes for the day will be cancelled.

B. If such a warning has been announced at 10 a.m. or earlier, and all or most of the public transportation is in no service,

→ All afternoon classes for the day will be cancelled.

○ **Matsuoka campus**

A. If such a warning has been announced by 6 a.m., and all or most of the public transportation is in no service,

→ Morning classes for the day will be cancelled, depending on the road/traffic conditions.

B. If such a warning has been announced at 10 a.m. or earlier, and all or most of the public transportation is in no service,

→ Afternoon classes for the day may be cancelled, depending on the road/traffic conditions.

○ **Tsuruga Campus**

A. If such a warning has been announced at 6 a.m., and there is no JR train service between Fukui and Tsuruga Stations,

→ All morning classes for the day will be cancelled.

B. If such a warning has been announced at 10 a.m. or earlier, and there is no JR train service between Fukui and Tsuruga Stations,

→ All afternoon classes for the day will be cancelled.

Note 2: Criteria for warnings

○ Weather warnings will be announced,

- if there are likely to be a heavy rainfall, a flood, a severe storm, high tides, high waves, a heavy snowstorm, in which the amount of rainfall, the wind speed, etc. are expected to reach their respectively specified levels of danger.

○ Warnings of tsunamis, volcanic eruptions, and earthquakes will be announced,

- if a tsunami of between 1 m and 3 m high is expected.

- if a volcanic eruption is likely to happen that may cause damage over a wide area from the edge of a crater near to the residential area(s).
- if an earthquake with the seismic intensity of lower 5 and above but less than lower 6 is expected.

③ Emergency evacuation directions (see Note 3 below)

In the event of an emergency warning announced from the Fukui Local Meteorological Office, the University of Fukui will follow it. However, in case an emergency evacuation direction has been announced after 8:30 a.m., all of the remaining classes for the day will be cancelled right away.

④ Evacuation cases other than by emergency evacuation directions

If the UF informs students of other evacuation cases than in those in ①, ②, and ③ above,
→ Classes will be cancelled, depending on the seriousness of the situation

Note 3: Types and contents of information concerning evacuation (Fukui City website)

- Information for citizens' preparing to evacuate and for senior citizens' beginning to evacuate
 - Those who require more than normal time to evacuate, including senior citizens, people under nursing care, physically challenged and pregnant woman, are strongly advised to start evacuation. Others will start preparing for evacuation, attending the information from TV, radio, e-mails of disaster prevention and weather information, and other sources of information.
- Evacuation advisories
 - Those who can make a normal evacuation will start evacuation according to the prepared plan.
- Emergency evacuation directions
 - Complete evacuation as soon as possible to avoid disasters. Those who have not started should start evacuation and those who can't evacuate should engage in an action to protect their own lives. With the danger of disaster impending, all sorts of evacuation should be completed as soon as possible. Those who have not evacuated yet should start an immediate evacuation, and if it is found infeasible, they should do whatever to protect their lives.

(2) In case of occurrence of an incident, an accident, seriously infectious diseases or any other unforeseeable event:

→Classes will be cancelled depending on the situation

(3) Besides the warnings and directions stated in (1) and (2) above, if there is a particular need to do so,

→ The UF may decide to cancel classes beforehand (say, on the day before).

2. Determination to cancel classes

(1) Class cancellation at Bunkyo/Truruga campus

→ Vice President for Education and Student Affairs determines to cancel classes.

(2) Class cancellation at Matsuoka campus

→ Vice President for Education and Student Affairs determines to cancel classes, based on the report from the Dean of School/Graduate School of Medical Sciences.

(3) If a half or more of the registered students are absent from a class,

→ The class may be cancelled at the instructor's discretion.

3. Notice of class cancellation

→ Class cancellations will be notified by way of the Students Portal and the homepage of the UF.

4. Make-up classes

(1) In the cases of 2(1) and 2(2) above

→ As a rule, make-up classes will be arranged to be held on the same day(s) at each campus or simultaneously at the three campuses.

→ With regard to the cancelled examinations, the Dean of each School/Graduate School reschedules the date(s) for them.

(2) In the case of 2(3) above,

→ The instructor in charge will make suitable arrangements to reschedule a make-up class and/or a postponed examination.

5. Practical teacher trainings, clinical clerkship and other trainings

With regard to practical teacher trainings, clinical clerkships, nursing experiences, internships and other trainings held off-campus

→ Either the person in charge of such a training at an off-campus site or the faculty member responsible for such a training will decide on the cancellation of the training. If required, the Dean of the School/Graduate School concerned may make a decision in the same vein.

6. Submission of absence reports

In cases where a student could not attend a class due to a disaster, an accident, a suspended service or delay of public transportation or for any other unavoidable reason,

→ Submit an absence report to the Academic Office with a copy of the disaster/delay certificate

or a reason statement. In such a case, the instructor in charge should take measures so that the student will have no undue disadvantages because of the absence concerned.

→ Supplementary exams will follow the relevant rules specified by each School/Graduate School.