

**Statement of the  
President of the University of Wrocław**

**of 19 October 2020**

**on the organization of teaching and other activities of the University of Wrocław  
in the period of increased number of SARS-CoV-2 virus infections**

1. In connection with the growing number of diagnosed cases of SARS-CoV-2 infection in Poland and the introduction of additional restrictions on regulations protecting against the epidemic throughout the country, in order to ensure the safety of employees, doctoral students and students of the University of Wrocław and to maintain the highest quality of education, from October 19 to November 15 following rules are implemented:

1) all lectures are delivered remotely;

2) tutorials, seminars and exercises other than laboratories, internships and workshops will be conducted as remote classes. Practical classes (laboratories, internships and workshops) can be conducted in a full-time or hybrid form after obtaining the dean's consent;

3) physical education classes will be carried out remotely;

4) inspections will be conducted by employees of the OHS department and dean's authorities of the conditions for conducting classes in the buildings of the University of Wrocław, in particular over the proper preparation of laboratory rooms in accordance with GIS recommendations;

5) conferences, celebrations and all activities other than didactic will be held in a remote form, without the participation of viewers at the place of their recording or transmission;

6) university libraries will suspend the activity of the reading room, while allowing the possibility of borrowing books and introducing services of copying fragments of texts on request in accordance with the possibilities of libraries;

7) administration employees will maintain the principle of alternating work agreed with the Director General.

2. Meetings of the Senate, scientific discipline councils, faculty councils, Senate committees and other university collegiate bodies will be held remotely.

3. All employees, PhD students and students as well as third parties present in the buildings of the University of Wrocław are required to wear masks, visors or half-visors. This obligation does not apply only in the case of the employee staying in the room where he constantly performs work, except when he has contact with third parties (employees who work permanently in another room, students, doctoral students, etc.). Failure to comply with the above obligation will be treated as failure to comply with the official order and may result in order and disciplinary liability. I would like to remind you that failure to comply with the above-mentioned recommendations may also lead to criminal liability referred to in Art. 116 § 1 of the Code of Petty Offenses and Art. 161 § 2-3 of the Criminal Code.

4. The University authorities appeal to employees, PhD students and students to behave responsibly also outside working and school hours, and to avoid activities that increase the risk of contracting the

virus. I am asking employees, PhD students and students to be prudent when using the opportunity to travel. In the event of a further increase in infections in our community and in our environment, I expect next week to withhold permits for business trips and receiving guests. We should remember that the safety of others depends on our responsibility and behavior.

5. I express my appreciation to the initiative of the Student Self-government, which, in cooperation with the Rector's authorities, undertook to organize support for our retired employees and students in a difficult situation, in particular in cases of quarantine. This initiative is proof of the strength of our community and our students.

6. Subsequent decisions on the functioning of the University will be made by the rector's authorities in consultation with the deans, taking into account the recommendations of the authorities, in particular the consequences of the increase or decrease in the number of infections in Wrocław and the possible inclusion of the city in the red epidemic zone. Information on the extension of these recommendations or their change with regard to the form of classes will be published no later than November 6, 2020.

7. Recommendations come into force on the day of their publication, supervision over their implementation is entrusted to the Vice-Rector for Teaching, Director General and Deans of faculties.