

Thursday 19 March 2020

Dear staff and students

An ACU student on our Strathfield Campus has tested positive for COVID-19. The student has self-isolated and has very mild symptoms.

The Faculty of Health Sciences student attended a two-hour lecture in the Main Lecture Theatre (612.G.01) on 16 March, and a one-hour tutorial in the Edward Clancy Building 640.1.48 on 17 March, and had minimal contact with other students and staff due to practising social distancing measures. We are working with NSW Health to notify those who may have been in contact with this student.

The university has conducted an intensive two-step clean of all areas the student attended. ACU had already ensured that the frequency and nature of cleaning on all our campuses was enhanced to minimise risks to students and staff. We remind everyone to observe good hygiene practices, practise social distancing and to monitor your health.

We are working to ensure social distancing while our campuses remain open. This includes cancelling or suspending all non-essential events and moving meetings to video or phone conference where possible. All ACU classes will pause for the week 23-27 March so we can move many of our classes online.

We realise that this a difficult time for all and we will continue to work to ensure our campuses provide a safe and supportive environment for our students and our staff.

You can find more information at our [FAQs](#).

On behalf of ACU's Critical Incident Response Group.

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