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HKUST Announces Suspension of Classes

The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology (HKUST) announces today that all classes will be suspended from 29 March to 4 April 2003 inclusive.

All mid-term examinations or other significant graded assignments scheduled from 31 March to 4 April inclusive will also be cancelled. Teaching staff have the discretion to decide whether or not to cancel examinations scheduled for the remainder of today (28 March) or tomorrow (29 March).

An HKUST spokesperson says the decision to suspend classes for one week and cancel mid-term examinations is a precautionary measure. As far as the University is aware, to date no HKUST student or staff member has contracted atypical pneumonia.

During the period of class suspension, offices, laboratories, the Library, student halls, sports and other facilities at HKUST will remain open.

The spokesperson says the position will be reviewed towards the end of next week and should there be any change to the date of resuming classes (7 April), an announcement will be made.