

## Updates on Academic Arrangements for the Spring Term 2021-22

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Dear Members of the University community,

Further to [the announcement on the Commencement of Spring 2021-22 - Academic Arrangements issued on 29 January, 2022](#), the University management has taken into consideration of the recent escalation of the COVID cases in Hong Kong and the various concerns raised by students, please note the following updates on the class arrangements for the Spring:

- 1) During the Add/Drop period (i.e., 4 to 17 February 2022), all classes will be held in real-time online mode, as stated in [the announcement dated 23 January 2022](#).
- 2) In line with the HKSAR Government announcement in further tightening the social distancing rules to tackle the latest epidemic outbreak (<https://www.info.gov.hk/gia/general/202202/09/P2022020900022.htm>), after the Add/Drop period, all classes, including language classes, will continue to be held in purely real-time online mode for the whole term.
- 3) Instead of the original intention of arranging on-campus final exams, online proctored final exams or/and alternative assessments will be arranged for all students wherever appropriate.
- 4) Lab classes, studio arts/music courses, and TPg programs will make their own arrangements.

If the situation improves and allows, face to face (f2f) office hours, Q&A meetings, and other avenues for f2f interactions with faculty and teaching staff will be provided. Opportunities of reverting to mixed-mode /mixed-mode lite will be considered.

As always, we will make an announcement when appropriate and endeavor to provide sufficient lead time if there are any further updates.

Thank you for your understanding and patience.

Best,

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<https://shr1.ust.hk/news/faqs-covid-19-housing-arrangement>

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