Measures in response to the spread of COVID-19 disease

The national and local regulations, general advice and recommendations that are in effect to reduce the spread of infection in the community must be followed where applicable in all activities at the University. This places a great responsibility on everyone: staff, students, visitors and others engaged in activities at the University.

The following applies at Uppsala University.

- To reduce the risk of infection, online forms of teaching and assessment must be used wherever possible.
- In-person teaching and assessment will be limited to those teaching components and assessments for which this is necessary to ensure high quality and legal certainty and that cannot be carried out online. Exemptions to allow particular teaching components or assessments to take place in person may be granted by the chair of a faculty board/disciplinary domain board.
- Students are urged preferably to study at home. Those who need to be on University premises for their individual studies must not gather in large groups.
- Staff must work from home unless their duties manifestly require physical presence at the workplace or their line manager permits them to work at the workplace for some other reason.
- Employees, others working at the University and students will normally require an access card for entry to the University’s premises.
- No business travel is permitted to countries that the Ministry for Foreign Affairs advises against.
- The impact of COVID-19 on doctoral students’ education and any special needs for support/extension are to be reviewed and recorded in the annual revision of the individual study plan.

This decision comes into effect on 8 February 2021 and remains in effect until 31 May 2021. This decision replaces the earlier decision of the Vice-Chancellor on measures in response to the spread of COVID-19 disease.

Background
This decision has been taken in view of the spread of COVID-19 disease (coronavirus SARS-CoV-2). Uppsala University is following
the decisions and recommendations of the Swedish government, the county administrative board, the regional health authorities and the Public Health Agency of Sweden.

The decision in this matter was taken by the undersigned Vice-Chancellor after consultation with the Management Council, following a presentation of the matter by Chief Legal Officer Per Abrahamsson.

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