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Greetings from the Japan Center for Michigan Universities (JCMU):

We are writing with unfortunate news regarding JCMU programs. As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic and in alignment with recommendations by Michigan State University, the administrative agent of JCMU, all ongoing and upcoming JCMU study abroad programs will be suspended through the end of summer 2020.

What does this mean for 2020 spring semester participants? This program is being suspended. Students should make plans to depart Japan by Tuesday, March 17, 2020, unless informed otherwise by their home institution. Additional information about travel arrangements, completing coursework remotely, and other logistics will be provided to students by JCMU staff in Hikone and posted on the JCMU website.

What does this mean for 2020 May and summer applicants and admitted students? All JCMU programs scheduled to run May-August 2020 are being cancelled. Students may transfer their applications to a future JCMU program or withdraw their applications. Additional information will be provided by the JCMU staff in East Lansing and posted on the JCMU website.

We greatly appreciate your patience and understanding as we all work to adapt to this unprecedented and rapidly changing public health challenge.

Sincerely,

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