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The University was today made aware that a Griffith student is confirmed to have COVID-19.

The student contracted the virus overseas and on return immediately went into home isolation. Please be assured, the student remains in home isolation and has not been to any campus since returning from overseas.

The University has reached out to offer a range of support to the student.

The University also takes its privacy obligations very seriously and will not be publishing personal information relating to any suspected or confirmed cases of COVID-19.

As you are aware, the University established its Crisis Management Team over a month ago and have been preparing to respond and support students or staff with COVID-19. The University is following all advice from health and government authorities.

We realise this may be a distressing time. The [Griffith Online Health and Wellness Centre](#) can provide you with access to counselling services on campus, as well as other support resources. For counselling after hours and on weekends, call [Crisis Support Service](#) on 1300 785 442 or text 0488 884 146.

If you are feeling unwell, please do not come to campus. You should contact 13HEALTH (13 432 584) or see your GP.

Griffith University COVID-19 Student Support Bursary

I am pleased to let you know about the new Griffith University COVID-19 Student Support Bursary to financially assist students struggling with the extra costs of accessing the technologies to study online or being directly impacted by COVID-19. Information about this bursary and how to apply will be available from the [scholarships](#) and [COVID-19](#) websites from midday tomorrow.

Support for sessional and casual staff

Students have raised concerns about the welfare of the University's sessional and casual staff. Please be assured, we are supporting our sessional and casual staff with special leave arrangements if they are impacted by COVID-19. Not only is this a sign of how much we continue to value our sessional and casual staff, but it also removes the disincentive for these staff to come to work when they are unwell. The health and wellbeing of students and staff continues to be our primary concern.

Our [Coronavirus web page](#) is updated regularly with the latest information and advice.

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