

Greetings from New Zealand!

I am a third year music student, who is now on the exchange programme in New Zealand. The outbreak of SARS actually did not really affect me directly, since I left HK in mid-February and will not be back until the end of the year when the exchange studies finish.

However, during the outbreak of the disease, while I was checking emails everyday, I found all the work and arrangements being done by the University very impressive. Even though I was not there at the University, I learnt a lot from everything done by the University in handling that challenge.

Many people were confused and even classes were suspended, but all the web sites set up by the University on the disease provided (and still provide) prompt, open and accurate communications among the members of the University. I have been kept well informed about the disease through web sites and emails. Luckily, I derived a sense of security from reading all news of the University during that confusing time.

This is indeed what I (and I believe everyone) have been looking for from university education. I am proud of being a student of the University.

I am writing this message to express my appreciation of all the effort made by everyone at the University in facing this challenge.

I hope everyone learnt and grew from this challenging experience.

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