





August 18, 2021

Day 2 Update


Good evening

Please read on to debrief the latest relevant news from today.

 **Online Classroom Delivery:** Plans are still in place to begin delivery of online classes from Monday morning if we are unable to return to campus. Please follow previous instructions to ensure you are ready for this. If you have concerns around your remote learning capability, please reach out to Kirsty (kirstyd@qrc.ac.nz)

 **Accommodation:** While Queenstown has been graced an additional 24 hours for people to leave towards their homes, we encourage you to decide promptly where you will choose to reside for the remaining period of lockdown. Please consider the future changes through COVID alert levels when deciding if you will move away from Queenstown. While no one can predict the governments next move one scenario could be for regional alert levels to differ. If the South Island / Queenstown region were to revert to Level 2 prior to the North Island / Auckland region, on-campus activity will resume immediately. Please let us know if you are sitting out lock down in the North Island and in which location by emailing me – lynsey.bullock@qrc.ac.nz


The lodge managers request that all residents are reminded of their responsibility to adhere to the COVID rules to ensure their bubbles remain intact. Please leave only if you must, no guests and adhere to the overnight curfew.


 **Financial Impact:** Hardship support is available. You will continue to get your regular Student Allowance and Student Loan living costs payments if you're still enrolled and studying. Answers to questions about Student Allowance and living cost payments can be found on StudyLink's website studylink.govt.nz. StudyLink can also help over the phone and through MyStudyLink in most cases. If you need extra help during this time you can find information about emergency assistance on StudyLink's website <https://www.studylink.govt.nz/in-study/urgent-costs/index.html>. Please also talk to either myself or Kirsty if COVID impacting your ability to study and we can help direct you to these hardship funds.

Hardship funds are also accessible for International Students until 30th August. You can find more information about this here:



<https://www.education.govt.nz/news/emergency-benefit-international-students>

<https://www.workandincome.govt.nz/covid-19/temporary-visa-holders.html>

 **Mandatory requirement for face coverings:** masks are now mandatory when visiting essential businesses and services that are open in Alert Level 4 (e.g., pharmacy, supermarket, health services). Good practice is to wear a mask when leaving your bubble if you are unable to safely maintain a 2 m social distance.

 **A reminder:** Look after yourself and recognise any stress this lockdown may be placing on you and those around you. Stay connected to those you care about and those who can offer support if needed such as:

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 03 409 0500  info@qrc.ac.nz  www.qrc.ac.nz



- Student services here at QRC
- your GP or local community health centre
- Youthline [0800 376 633](tel:0800376633) www.youthline.co.nz
- [Need To Talk](#) by calling or texting [1737](tel:1737)

Remember your COVID etiquette and follow the rules. If you are unwell seek advice from health line 0800 611 116.



Be kind

Unite
against
COVID-19
New Zealand Government

Stay positive and stoked to be part of this pretty special team of 5 million 😊

Kind regards

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Lynsey Bullock'.

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