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We received confirmation this evening that a student at the University has tested positive for Covid-19. The student is a resident in the Whitaker Block, takes meals in Waipārūrū Hall, and has attended classes on campus on Monday 16 August and Tuesday 17 August.

The student travelled to Wellington on Thursday 19 August to be with family, and is currently isolating at home after receiving the positive test result today, Friday 20 August.

The University is working closely with the relevant health agencies on this situation, and is following their protocols, including for contact-tracing, to support our student and to protect the wider University community.

I understand that this information will be of concern to you, however the University has detailed processes in place to respond to this situation, and we will be working with the health agencies on next steps.

We will provide more updates as information comes to hand.

In the meantime, please continue to follow the recommended guidelines for staying healthy, and if you have any concerns about your health, or the health of someone else, please contact Healthline on 0800 358 5453. The number is free to call, available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, and interpreters are on hand to help with translation if needed.

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