

## Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

### Student Information

**1. What mitigation strategies has Kwantlen implemented in response to the H1N1 Influenza pandemic?**

The University is monitoring the situation within the communities it serves. In addition, an Emergency Management Committee is managing Kwantlen's response and preparing for the flu season this fall. Kwantlen is working closely with public health officials and will continue to follow their lead and direction.

Kwantlen has placed touch-less hand sanitizer stations at all major entranceways and many high traffic areas (library, cafeteria, etc.) throughout the campus. Students are encouraged to purchase their own personal hand sanitizer. Additionally, Kwantlen has a comprehensive Influenza Exposure Control Plan to manage H1N1 on the various campuses. This plan and much more information regarding the H1N1 Influenza can be found at [www.kwantlen.ca/h1n1info](http://www.kwantlen.ca/h1n1info)

The university is encouraging students who feel ill to stay at home and call or email your instructor instead of going to class.

**2. Do I need to advise my Instructor if I am ill with the flu?**

Students should follow the normal procedures/direction provided to them by the instructor regarding attendance reporting for the class.

**3. Will I be required to make up missed school work, exams or tests if I am ill with the flu?**

Normal procedures and expectations regarding missed school work, exams or tests due to illness will apply. Faculty are encouraged to consider how the distribution of class material can be accommodated for sick students. Students are also encouraged to keep in touch with classmates for course notes.

**4. Can I be asked to leave a class if I am exhibiting signs of influenza like illness?**

Students are encouraged to be vigilant and responsible for their own health. The Public Health Agency of Canada recommends those who are ill with influenza-like illness should self-isolate until their symptoms resolve and they are feeling well and able to fully participate in all normal day-to-day activities.

Faculty may, at their discretion and being sensitive to the situation take aside the student and counsel them that they should go home and take care of themselves. The student should be reassured that there will be no academic penalty for missing the class

**5. Will I be required to submit a medical certification if I am ill and have to miss an academic deadline, examination or test?**

The Public Health Agency of Canada are recommending individuals with flu like symptoms to self isolate until they are feeling better and able to participate in normal activities. Students are encouraged to call Health Link BC at 811 if they have influenza like symptoms or concerns.

Faculty are asked to use their discretion and professional judgment when asking students for doctors notes for an absence due to influenza like symptoms.

**6. How will I know that a class is cancelled?**

Regular procedures will be utilized for class cancellations.

**7. Where can I get more information about how Kwantlen Polytechnic University is preparing for the H1N1 influenza?**

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For further information regarding the H1N1 Influenza please visit one of the following websites:

- a. <http://www.gov.bc.ca/h1n1>
- b. <http://www.fightflu.ca>
- c. <Http://www.facebook.com/h1n1informationbc>
- d. H1N1BC on Twitter