

Covid-19 update

30 August 2021

Lockdown will be with us a little longer and I would like to offer some comfort if possible. When we are hit by individual challenges in life we can understandably react with anger and frustration over the apparent unfairness of the problem. But at least, with Covid, we are all hit by the same challenge, and there can be some comfort for us in the sharing of adversity. When we go out walking there are more smiles than usual from complete strangers (and you can still see the smile under the mask). And, in between showers, there is a sense of Spring in the air. And although online teaching is not perfect, at least staff and students are moving through curriculum and assessment as efficiently as possible. It's not easy, but we have no choice. Whatever your politics, the prime minister has successfully described us as a team of five million. At ICL we are only five hundred, but a boutique team nonetheless!

There is ongoing uncertainty over how and when the alert levels will reduce and beyond that, what the Government plans for border reopening. But whatever plans are announced it is almost certain that priority and greater freedom will be offered to those who are fully vaccinated. So please make every effort, even during alert levels 4 and 3, to get yourself vaccinated.

Ewen Mackenzie-Bowie
Chairman
ICL Education Group

- Auckland continues at **Alert Level 4 until 14 September.**
- We will continue with online classes during Alert Level 4. Attendance is compulsory as usual.
- Some students are starting a new intake. You will be invited by your lecturer to join corresponding classes. Please check your school email address and Canvas.
- If you have any difficulties to attend classes, please contact us at reception@icl.ac.nz or phone us at 09-368 4343
- If you are tested for Covid-19 please contact Student Support at studentsupport@icl.ac.nz or Reception at reception@icl.ac.nz or phone us at 09-368 4343

- Please check Ministry of Health's location of interest and contact Healthline on 0800 358 5453 for further information
[COVID-19: Contact tracing locations of interest | Ministry of Health NZ](#)

Stay safe and keep in touch. You are not alone. We are doing everything we can to support you.

Golden rules for Alert Level 4



Stay at home in your bubble



Feeling unwell? Call your doctor or Healthline on **0800 358 5453** about getting tested

If leaving the house:



Wear a mask and keep a **2m distance** from others



Keep on **scanning QR codes**



Wash and sanitise hands often



Stay local and be kind to one another

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