



Dear Partners,

Warmest greetings from Stockholm and Karolinska Institutet (KI), we hope you are safe and well. We are writing to update you on the recent developments at our university following the Corona pandemic/COVID-19 situation.

We regret to let you know that KI has decided to cancel incoming exchanges for all clinical study options (curricular clinical courses and clinical rotations) for students during the autumn semester 2020 (31 August 2020-17 January 2021). This difficult decision was taken due to the currently strained health care situation in Stockholm and much uncertainty will remain in the coming months. We have informed your nominated students of this decision via email today 4th June and referred them to you to discuss their alternative plans. Incoming students who have applied for theoretical courses and research-oriented projects are welcome, depending on the regulations from KI or our authorities. Please ask them to regularly check our [website for the latest information for students on education at KI related to Corona](#).

We understand this is disappointing news for students, but we anticipate that clinical exchanges will be possible in spring semester 2021. Nevertheless, we will have to assess the situation nearer the time of the application deadlines as stated on our [website on Exchange studies at Karolinska Institutet 2020/2021](#).

We understand that some of you may now wish to defer some of your student nominations to the spring semester 2021. However, note that due to practical constraints we will not be able to accommodate all autumn semester students. We kindly ask you to let us know if you would like to further discuss this option.

Regarding our outgoing students we advise them, at the moment, not to go on exchange during the autumn semester 2020 based on the current situation world-wide, however the final decision is to be taken by the hosting institution.

We will keep you updated on the situation at KI, in the meantime please feel free to check our [website for the latest information about the Coronavirus for staff and students](#).

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions. Thank you for your commitment and valued partnership, we look forward to our continuous collaboration.

Kind regards,

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