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Hazardous Weather/Emergency Closing – Standard Operating Procedure (“SOP”)

The University of Guelph’s policy relating to hazardous weather and emergency closing (“Policy”) can be found at:

<https://www.uoguelph.ca/hr/system/files/512%20Hazardous%20Weather%20Policy.pdf>

If under the Policy, a decision is made to close the University, classes and examinations are cancelled and only those employees identified as essential for the purposes of the Policy, are expected to report to/stay at work.

Phase 4 veterinary students with clinical case responsibilities who are already in attendance at OVC HSC may be permitted to continue to provide case care on a voluntary basis should they wish to remain at OVC HSC because of weather conditions. Students who wish to remain at the OVC HSC in these circumstances must obtain permission to do so from the rotation supervisor.

Phase 3 veterinary students with clinical case responsibilities in *Surgical Exercises* who are already in attendance at OVC HSC may be permitted to continue to provide case care on a voluntary basis should they wish to remain at OVC HSC because of weather conditions. Students who wish to remain at the OVC HSC must obtain permission from the person supervising the Surgical Exercises laboratory. Phase 3 students not involved in clinical case responsibilities must leave the OVC/OVC HSC.

Phase 1 and Phase 2 veterinary students must leave the OVC/OVC HSC.

Graduate students assigned to Clinical Duty are considered essential personnel and are expected to report to work. All other graduate students are to stay home/leave.

Faculty and Veterinarians assigned to Clinical Duty are considered essential personnel and are expected to report to work. All other faculty and Veterinarians are to stay home/leave.

Reference: OVCHSC Standard Operating Procedure, *Emergency Closure HSC 20 2008*

<https://secure.uoguelph.ca/ovc/docs/hospital/sop/>