January 5, 2021

Dear Students,

I hope this message finds you safe and well in the New Year! I am writing to remind you of spring arrival requirements. A bulleted list of the most important items is below, but please be sure to read this entire message in full – it contains a wealth of necessary and helpful information. Note that the requirements outlined below do not apply to students who plan to study in a fully remote capacity in the spring. Please note that “fully remote” means the student is barred from coming to campus for any reason — not to access the library, not to attend events, not to access Student Health, etc.

- All students must register for a COVID-19 Spring 2021 entrance testing timeslot by no later than Friday, January 8 using this form to register for a testing time slot. Complete an Authorization for Release of Testing and Screening Results prior to your testing appointment. Access this form in your Student Health Portal.

- For the 10 days prior to your return to campus, limit your exposure to others to the fullest extent possible — avoid large crowds and gatherings, avoid unnecessary travel, wash hands often, wear a face covering, and social distance.

- Do not return to campus if you have symptoms of COVID-19.

- Complete the Healthy Web Compact. You must be connected to VPN to access this off-campus.

I appreciate your continued commitment to adhering to these guidelines to ensure a safe return to in-person learning for the spring. I look forward to seeing you on campus in the coming weeks!

SPRING REQUIREMENTS AND GUIDELINES

As the health and safety of our campus community is paramount, students should self-quarantine for 10 days prior to returning to campus for classes by staying at home to the fullest extent possible, avoiding large crowds and gatherings, avoiding unnecessary travel, washing hands often, wearing a face covering, and keeping a safe distance from other people who do not live with you (at least 6 feet apart). All students must monitor their temperature and symptoms for at least 10 days prior to arrival on campus. Any student who has symptoms of COVID-19 will not be permitted to come to campus until they meet the following criteria:

- No fever, defined as less than 100 degrees F, for at least 3 days (that is 72 hours of no fever without the use of medicine that reduces fevers, such as Tylenol, Motrin, aspirin, ibuprofen, paracetamol, etc.); AND
- Other respiratory symptoms have improved (for example, cough or shortness of breath); AND
- At least 10 days have passed since the symptoms first appeared or two negative COVID-19 PCR viral tests are done at least 24 hours apart.
TESTING SCHEDULE, PROCESS, AND LOCATIONS

All students must be tested for COVID-19 on campus prior to start of classes. The only exception is for students who both have tested positive for COVID-19 within 90 days of their arrival on campus for the spring semester and provide a copy of their positive test result. If you have tested positive for COVID-19 within 90 days of your arrival on campus, please let me know so I can make sure we keep appropriate records. All students must complete an Authorization for Release of Testing and Screening Results. You must access this form in your Student Health Portal and complete and upload it prior to testing.

All students must register for a testing timeslot by no later than Friday, January 8 using this form to register for a testing time slot. Each student is required to go through the designated COVID-19 testing area and must to present and swipe their SpiderCard upon arrival at the testing site to check-in. Testing will take place January 11 through January 15 between the hours of 12pm-7pm in the Special Programs Building (building 490). Due to limited parking, students may need to park in lots U21 or W88. Students arriving on a date or time other than their registered time slot will experience delays and may be required to reschedule and return at another time as time slots are limited to ensure appropriate physical distancing and safety.

If upon arrival a student is symptomatic, they will be instructed to leave campus and isolate at home and will be provided further information about the requirements for appropriate isolation per University guidelines.

Sincerely,

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