

# **CSUF General COVID-19 Safety for Students**

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Note: The current COVID-19 pandemic is evolving rapidly. This document is based on current conditions and is subject to frequent change.

The following general guidance should be followed by all CSUF students. Additional more specific practices tailored to specific areas and operations may also apply. CSUF's Titans Return website (<a href="http://coronavirus.fullerton.edu/">http://coronavirus.fullerton.edu/</a>) and EHS COVID-19 Safety website (<a href="https://ehs.fullerton.edu/programs/covid19safety/">https://ehs.fullerton.edu/programs/covid19safety/</a>) should be reviewed for the latest information. Questions regarding COVID-19 safety should be directed to your instructor, your campus contact, campus departmental office, Dean of Student, or Environmental Health & Safety.

#### What is the hazard?

COVID-19 is the respiratory illness caused by the SARS-CoV-2 virus (a.k.a., novel coronavirus). The latest information regarding COVID-19 is available on the U.S. Centers for Disease Control (CDC) website (<a href="https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html">https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html</a>). CSUF students should regularly review this website and be familiar with the dynamics of the disease, including its risks, symptoms, and current guidance on prevention and what to do if you are sick. CSUF students have the potential for exposure to the virus when exposed to infected people or surfaces while at CSUF campus, satellite facilities, or in their personal time at home and in the community.

#### What guidance should be followed?

#### Vaccinated and Unvaccinated Students

In some instances, guidance will differ for fully vaccinated individuals compared to unvaccinated individuals, as unvaccinated individuals are at a higher risk of becoming ill from SARS-CoV-2 and transmitting COVID-19 to others. In general, people are considered fully vaccinated 2 weeks after their second dose in a 2-dose series, such as the Pfizer or Moderna vaccines, or 2 weeks after a single-dose vaccine, such as Johnson & Johnson's Janssen vaccine. Those who have provided proof of vaccination record via the CSUF Health Portal and had vaccination status verified must follow protocols for VACCINATED students and those who have not must follow the protocols for UNVACCINATED students.

CSUF requires that all faculty, staff and students who are accessing any university location must be immunized against the virus that causes COVID-19. Additional information about the vaccine requirement can be found on the CSUF Titans Return website. CSUF requires that students submit documentation of vaccination via the CSUF Health Portal. Instructions for uploading vaccination record can be found on the CSUF Titans Return website.



# **HEALTH SCREENING**

# VACCINATED and UNVACCINATED Students:

- 1. Self-Screening. CSUF students must conduct a self-health screening prior to arrival to campus.
- 2. Symptoms or Positive Test. Students must stay home if they experience symptoms of COVID-19 or have received a positive COVID-19 test, and should submit the COVID-19 Self-Reporting Form on the Titans Return website. Symptoms include, but are not limited to, fever, chills, cough, shortness of breath, difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle/body aches, headache, new loss of taste/smell, sore throat, congestion/runny nose, nausea/vomiting, or diarrhea. CDC guidance on symptoms is located at: <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/symptoms-testing/symptoms.html">https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/symptoms-testing/symptoms.html</a>. The appropriate individuals will be informed as outlined in the CSUF Protocol for Verifying COVID-19, and a case incident response will be initiated as applicable.

- 3. Exposure. Students must stay home if they have been in close contact with or otherwise exposed to a known or suspected case of COVID-19, if not fully vaccinated at the time of exposure, and should submit the COVID-19 Self-Reporting Form on the Titans Return website.
- 4. Order to Isolate or Quarantine. Students must stay home if they are subject to an order to isolate or quarantine by a health care provider or by a state or local public health official.
- 5. At Risk Persons. Some individuals are at higher risk of serious complications from COVID-19, including older adults and people of any age who have serious underlying medical conditions. More information is available at: <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/need-extra-precautions/index.html">https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/need-extra-precautions/index.html</a>. If a student feels they are at greater risk, they should consult with a medical professional prior to engaging in campus-based activities.

# Additional Requirements for UNVACCINATED Students:

6. Re-Entry and Surveillance Testing. All active students who are not fully vaccinated or have not provided their vaccine record to the University and had their vaccination record verified are required to undergo re-entry testing prior to returning to campus for the fall 2021 semester and weekly surveillance testing during that semester.



### PHYSICAL DISTANCING

### VACCINATED and UNVACCINATED Students:

1. Physical distancing and barriers are no longer mandated except for limited circumstances such as during an outbreak.



### PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

# VACCINATED and UNVACCINATED Students:

- 1. Masks—When to Use. CSUF will provide face coverings (e.g., surgical masks) for individuals to use on campus. All members of the University community, including students, must comply with the California Department of Public Health's "Guidance for the Use of Face Coverings" dated July 28, 2021, including the recommendation that all individuals regardless of vaccination status must wear a face covering indoors, at least until September 30, 2021. Individuals do not have to wear face coverings indoors when (a) alone in a private space such as an office with the door closed, a living unit or vehicle; (b) eating and drinking; (c) showering, washing their face, or brushing their teeth in a residence hall or other University facility with common bathroom facilities; (d) directed by a health care provider to remove their face covering for care or treatment; (e) an accommodation is required; and/or (f) job duties make a face covering infeasible or create a hazard. Face coverings are recommended for unvaccinated individuals outdoors where six feet of physical distancing cannot be maintained.
- Masks—How to Use. Masks must be kept clean and undamaged. Masks primarily protect those around the wearer and may provide some protection to the wearer. CDC mask guidance is at: <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/about-face-coverings.html">https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/about-face-coverings.html</a>. CDPH mask guidance is at: <a href="https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/COVID-19/guidance-for-face-coverings.aspx">https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/COVID-19/guidance-for-face-coverings.aspx</a>.
- 3. Additional Protective Equipment. Requirements for any other protective equipment (e.g., gloves, face masks, respirators) will be coordinated through your instructor or campus representative and used in accordance with area/operation specific safety practices.



### PERSONAL HYGIENE

### VACCINATED and UNVACCINATED Students:

- 1. Hand Hygiene. Clean your hands often and avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands. Avoid handshakes or physical contact with others. Wash hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are not readily available, use a proper hand sanitizer (e.g., 60% ethyl alcohol or 70% isopropyl alcohol, methyl alcohol prohibited). Cover all surfaces of your hands and rub them together until they feel dry. Guidance on hand washing technique from the World Health Organization (WHO) is provided in Attachment B. CDC guidance on hand washing is located at: https://www.cdc.gov/handwashing/when-how-handwashing.html.
- Proper Sneezing & Coughing. Cover your mouth and nose when coughing or sneezing with a
  tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash and wash hands. If no tissue is available, then cough
  and sneeze into your elbow. Do not come to campus if you have COVID-19 symptoms (see
  medical screening above).
- 3. *Limit Sharing*. Sharing of items (books, laptops, stationary, etc.) should be minimized to the extent possible. If items are shared, they should be cleaned and disinfected between users or users should perform hand hygiene before/after using.



# **ENVIRONMENTAL CLEANING**

### VACCINATED and UNVACCINATED Students:

1. Support of Environmental Cleaning. Surfaces touched by multiple people are cleaned/disinfected regularly. Generally, custodial staff are responsible for cleaning/disinfection of typical high touch surfaces (door knobs, elevator buttons, etc.), while departments are responsible for cleaning/disinfection of any specialized surfaces (computers, lab equipment, etc.). CSUF will ensure access to hand sanitizer, approved cleaning and disinfection products, and other associated supplies. Additional guidance on cleaning/disinfection from the CDC can be found at: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/clean-disinfect/index.html.



### **ADDITIONAL PRACTICES**

# VACCINATED and UNVACCINATED Students:

- Communications. During the COVID-19 pandemic event, campus leadership will provide students
  with frequent communications regarding scientific information, safety precautions and policies.
  Additionally, departments shall communicate with students about specific safe practice procedures
  for COVID-19 within their areas/operations.
- 2. Signage and Safety Guidelines. All members of the University community while on University property and/or when participating in University-related activities must adhere to COVID-19 health and safety signage. Prior to arriving on University property or participating in any University-related activity, members of the University community should review COVID-19 health and safety guidelines on the Titans Return and EHS COVID-19 Safety websites.
- 3. *Training*. Ensure that you have completed all required COVID-19 safety training. Student employees and volunteers are required to complete general COVID-19 health and safety training prior to returning to campus, and training on any department specific safe work practices.
- 4. *Hazard Reporting*. Potential COVID-19 hazards on campus should be immediately reported to your instructor or to Environmental Health & Safety.
- 5. Case Incident Response. If a known or suspected case of COVID-19 is identified, per CSUF's Protocol for Verifying COVID-19 document, the CSUF Case Response protocol will be utilized to

initiate a case incident response. The response will include an evaluation of potential exposures and development of a response action plan that will incorporate cleaning/disinfection, communication with potentially exposed persons, and enhanced prevention measures as appropriate.

6. Non-School Activities. Students are encouraged to apply COVID-19 precautions similar to these safe work practices to their personal activities outside of campus. Such diligence in and out of the workplace will serve to protect students, employees, families, and communities during this pandemic.

# Additional Requirements for UNVACCINATED Students:

7. Eating & Drinking. When eating meals, try to be alone outdoors or indoors in a space not occupied by others. If you cannot be alone, maintain as much distance as possible from others (minimum 6 ft.) and wear a face covering when you are not in the process of eating. Do not socialize with others when eating, even at a 6 ft. distance. Masks may be momentarily removed to eat or drink if 6 ft. of distance is maintained from others.

References: Current CDPH and CDC COVID-19 guidance.