



## Health and Safety Directive: Return to Campus Requirements After Travel Outside of the District of Columbia

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### A. Requirements

1. All students residing in University housing or University-controlled housing are required to comply with the requirements of this Health and Safety Directive, at all times.
2. All off-campus/nonresidential students, faculty, staff, contract workers, and visitors are required to comply with the requirements of this Health and Safety Directive prior to entering the University Property or physically participating in a University program or activity in the District of Columbia (“District”).
3. Any person identified in Section A(1) and A(2) of this Health and Safety Directive, who is a non-District resident, traveling from any state or country outside of the District is encouraged to report all personal travel using the [Personal Travel Notification Form](#) to ensure compliance with this Health and Safety Directive. Except as allowed in Section A(5), such person must comply with one of the following:
  - a. Obtain a negative COVID-19 PCR test within 72 hours prior to arrival to the District; and, if staying for more than three (3) days in the District, limit their activities until they obtain a second negative COVID-19 PCR test, administered within three (3) to five (5) after arrival; or
  - b. In lieu of complying with A(3)(a), a person may self-quarantine for a period of fourteen (14) days after arrival in the District, adhering to quarantine procedures set forth in the Health and Safety Directive: Requirements Following COVID-19 Exposure, Positive Test, or Suspected Infection.
4. Any person identified in Section A(2) of this Health and Safety Directive, who is a District resident, traveling from any state or country outside of the District is encouraged to report all personal travel using the [Personal Travel Notification Form](#) to ensure compliance with this Health and Safety Directive. Except as allowed in Section A(5), such person must comply with one of the following:
  - a. Limit daily activities and self-monitor for symptoms of COVID-19 for fourteen (14) days upon their return; or
  - b. Limit daily activities until they obtain a negative COVID-19 PCR test

administered within three (3) to five (5) days after their return.

5. The requirements of Sections A(3) and A(4) are not applicable in the following circumstances:
  - a. Any person traveling from a state or country that qualifies as a low risk jurisdiction, which is defined as a jurisdiction that currently has a seven (7) day average of COVID-19 rate below ten (10) cases per 100,000 persons. DC DOH's current list of high-risk areas is available at: <https://coronavirus.dc.gov>. Maryland and Virginia are exempt from the list of high-risk areas; or
  - b. Persons only traveling through high-risk areas are exempt, provided such persons do not engage in high risk behavior while transiting through a place that has a high rate of COVID-19 transmission; or
  - c. Persons only in the District for less than 24 hours are exempt. However, the University reserves the right to apply the requirements of Section A(3) to persons who regularly travel to the District from places outside Maryland, Virginia, or a low risk area; or
  - d. Persons traveling to the District for a family emergency or a funeral need not obtain a test prior to coming if obtaining a test would be impracticable. While here, they must confine their contact with other persons to the greatest feasible extent and restrict their activities to those related to the emergency; or
  - e. Persons performing essential work or engaged in essential activities such as obtaining medical care, food or pharmaceuticals

## **B. Enforcement**

Failure to comply with this Health and Safety Directive while residing in University housing or University-controlled housing, entering the University Property, or physically participating in a University program or activity in the District of Columbia constitutes misconduct that is actionable under the Student Conduct Code, the Staff Personnel Manual, and the Faculty Manual. Repeated violations by students may result in disciplinary action, up to and including removal from University housing, as well as suspension or dismissal from the University. Repeated violations by faculty and staff may result in disciplinary action, up to and including suspension or termination. Any individual who fails to follow this Directive may be restricted from the premises.