Health and Safety Directive: Self-Quarantine Requirements After Travel Outside of the District of Columbia

Effective Date: August 15, 2020

A. Requirements:

1. All students residing in University housing or University-controlled housing are required to comply with the self-quarantine 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 abide by and complete the self-quarantine 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.

3. Any person identified in this Section A of this Health and Safety Directive traveling to or from “high-risk areas,” as defined by the District of Columbia Department of Health (DC DOH), within the prior fourteen (14) days for non-essential travel must self-quarantine for fourteen (14) days following their return or arrival to the District of Columbia, except for persons who are traveling through a “high-risk area,” such as through an airport or by vehicle, shall not be subject to this Health and Safety Directive. Please refer to Health and Safety Directive: Requirements Following COVID-19 Exposure, Positive Test, or Suspected Infection for further information on quarantine procedures.

4. Persons returning to the District of Columbia after essential travel or arriving in the District of Columbia for essential travel are required to do the following:
   a. Self-monitor for symptoms of COVID-19, self-quarantine and seek medical advice or testing if they show symptoms of COVID-19; and
   b. Limit activities involving contact with other persons for fourteen (14) days to the purposes that exempted them from the self-quarantine requirement to the extent possible.

5. For the purposes of this Health and Safety Directive, “essential travel” is defined in the Mayor’s Order 2020-054. A copy of the Mayor’s Order is available at: https://coronavirus.dc.gov/release/mayor-bowser-issues-stay-home-order.

6. 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.
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 Disciplinary Policy, 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.