Fall 2021 preparations for in-person teaching & returning to campus

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Webinar guidelines

• Please ask questions using the Q & A feature, not the chat

• We’ll start answering those questions about 40 minutes from now
Health and Safety Considerations

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Keeping Yourself Healthy

**GET VACCINATED**
- All the COVID-19 vaccines available in the United States are safe and highly effective at protecting against COVID-19
- If not vaccinated – comply with testing requirements

**WEAR YOUR FACE MASK/COVER**
- Face masks/covers are required indoors
- Wear your face mask properly

**PRACTICE GOOD HYGIENE**
- Wash your hands. If not possible, use hand sanitizer

**STAY HOME IF YOU ARE SICK**
- Do not come to class or work if you have COVID-19 symptoms

**FOLLOW THE RULES**
- Most transmission events last year were from off campus activity
Keeping Our Community Healthy

**AIR QUALITY AND HVAC SYSTEMS**
- Emory has been following CDC guidance which includes:
  - Increased building fresh air changes through maximizing ventilation rates
  - Installation of higher efficiency filter systems where possible
  - Increased inspections of the HVAC systems
  - The use of UV lighting in some main air handlers which helps to improve air quality

**CLEANING/DISINFECTION**
- All buildings will receive a ‘deep cleaning’ prior to fall opening
- Areas such as lobbies, restrooms, and classrooms will be disinfected after hours
- All common areas and high-touch surfaces will be disinfected throughout the day
- Disinfection stations have been installed

**GUIDANCE FOR CLASSROOM SAFETY**
- Guidance based on CDC guidance, current knowledge (evolving), and benchmarking with our colleagues around the country
Any Questions or Concerned?

Contact EHSO
EHSO@emory.edu
or
404-727-5922
Masking in the classroom

• We expect most students will be compliant
• The CFDE website has language you can use on your syllabus to reinforce masking policy; see FAQ for link
• Faculty have authority to ask students to leave a classroom
• Mask dispensers at building entrances
Helping anxious students

Best: Be a sympathetic listener. Refer students to additional help as needed

Campus Life has a new webpage with advice for helping undergraduates, graduate students, and professional students

http://campuslife.emory.edu/support/crisis.html

This link is in the CFDE FAQ, and we’ll post these slides on the CFDE website
You may be anxious, too

• Take walks with other faculty
• You deserve self-care

• Faculty Staff Assistance Program: http://fsap.emory.edu
FAQ on CFDE website answers more questions

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- Attendance policy advice
- Office hours
- Group work in classrooms
- Collecting paper assignments / exams
- Student presentations
- Syllabus language on many topics

Now it’s time for your questions! Please use Q & A button