HRS STUDENT COVID-19 Guidelines
Spring 2021
(Subject to change)

Building and Classroom/Instructional lab procedures from AU 2020 will remain in place for SP 2021. All didactic instruction will be remote for the first two weeks of the semester (January 11-22, 2021) – See below. Individual professional programs may have some variation in this schedule dependent on their professional curriculum.

UNIVERSITY GUIDELINES: SAFE AND HEALTHY BUCKEYES
HTTPS://SAFEANDHEALTHY.OSU.EDU/CURRENT-STUDENTS

The university guidelines for management of COVID-19 are provided at the safe and healthy website. This site is updated constantly and serves as the most up-to-date information available for university policy.

University Message Regarding Spring Semester COVID-19 Testing

Ohio State is taking action as we plan for spring semester to prioritize the health and safety of the university community. We successfully completed autumn semester by acting Together As Buckeyes, and those requirements, including face masks, physical distancing and other personal behavior, will continue in 2021. The first two weeks of spring semester classes (Jan. 11-15 and Jan. 18-22) will be conducted via virtual delivery. There are no classes on Jan. 18 in recognition of Martin Luther King Jr. Day. Depending on how COVID-19 cases are trending, and with the guidance of Governor Mike DeWine as well as state and local health experts, the university will evaluate and make any necessary changes to our return plans. Students should self-sequester for 10 days before returning to their residences or visiting campus for any reason. Important testing updates also have been announced, so students should refer to an email received on Dec. 21 with detailed instructions.
School of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences  College of Medicine COVID Policies

1. Student Health Monitoring- Go to hrs.osu.edu. Click on Student Box listed under COVID 19 update

   **Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) Brief**

   Learn more about the temporary changes within the School of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences

   Required temperature check login for faculty, staff and students attending lab sessions

   - Faculty and Staff
   - Students

   - Take your temperature every day
   - Enter it in the app and answer the questions

   **PANDEMIC GUIDELINES FOR ATWELL HALL**

   **COVID RULES FOR ATWELL HALL**

   Ohio State students, faculty and staff must follow the Safe Campus Requirements outlined on the Safe and Healthy Buckeyes website [https://safeandhealthy.osu.edu/](https://safeandhealthy.osu.edu/), as well as complete online training in BuckeyeLearn, and sign the *Together as Buckeyes Pledge*. These behaviors include always wearing a mask on campus; maintaining a 6 foot distance from others indoors and outdoors; washing your hands frequently; staying home when you are sick; and completing a daily required health check, as described below.

   - A student and/or student organization will be referred for disciplinary action where the student and/or student organization’s behavior endangers the health or safety of campus community members, on or off campus, and/or fails to comply with the directives outlined in the Safe Campus Requirements. No gatherings of > 10 individuals are allowed on campus at this time.

   - If any student fails to abide by established health rules for Atwell Hall or any HRS course, they will be asked to leave the building per university guidelines:

     - During an incident in which a student is not adhering, the student should first be asked to comply (e.g., to wear a mask). If this does not resolve the situation, the student should be reminded about safe and healthy requirements. If the student continues to refuse, the student should be told to leave the location and not to return until they are prepared to follow the
requirements.
- For all situations, except those students who quickly comply when reminded, the incident should be reported to the Office of Student Life Student Conduct for potential disciplinary action and to assist with appropriate tracking. Even if the student’s name is unknown, a report to Student Conduct should be made to assist the university in evaluating adherence efforts; however, it should be acknowledged that Student Conduct will be unable to take disciplinary action without identifying information.

Building Use
- Building hours are 7:30am -5:00pm. After 5:00 pm, entrance is only allowed when accompanied by a faculty member.
- Entrance is from the central doors east/west entrances only. Please limit your time in Atwell before/after class. Prior Library is open for your study use. The Wexner Medical center has options for purchase of food/drink.
- The elevators may be used to go up to all floors. Please reserve elevators for those who may physically require the elevator. All individuals are encouraged to use the stairs to go down unless physical conditions prohibit this.
- The NORTHWEST stairwell is dedicated for all traffic going UP to access all floors.
- The MIDDLE WEST (FL 2-5) or SOUTHWEST (FL 1-2) stairwells are dedicated for all traffic going DOWN to access the lower floors or exit the building.
- A six-foot distance is required, as possible, throughout the building.
  - Women’s restroom capacity 1:4 (main) 2-5: 2
  - Men’s restroom capacity 1: 4 (main) 2-5: 2
  - Elevator capacity: car 1: 2; cars 2,3: 1 person
- Masks are universally required throughout Atwell except in a private office.
- Common use areas with Atwell will remain closed (lobby, 2nd floor study space and computer labs)
- Occupants may not eat while in any classroom or common area in Atwell Hall. Individual water bottles are allowed.

Code of conduct within the building
- Students are to go to class and leave immediately after class.
- The only location in the building that students should visit at this time is the restroom.
- Students should not congregate in common spaces or outside of classroom. Students should maintain social distancing of at least 6 feet. This is also important while waiting for class to begin.

Social Distancing within the building
- Classroom numbers are determined by university guidelines and signage should be strictly followed.
- Faculty will organize students within cohorts in order to limit student-to-student exposure.
• Each student is required to clean their individual desk or lab space upon entering and exiting the classroom. Supplies and cleaning checklist are located within each classroom.
• If a learning space is used for approved clinical laboratory activities, hand sanitizer, wipes, and applicable PPE will be in each room.
• Students and faculty must wear masks (Level 1 Procedure Mask) at all times. If a six-foot distance is not maintained during a classroom activity, goggles are also required. It is essential to keep hands away from your face.
• Upon arrival to the designated laboratory space, students are asked to clean their hands with hand sanitizer.
• Students will change gloves (if required for that lab) and clean their hands between each interaction with another student.
• After the laboratory session, students will disinfect the laboratory equipment with approved EPA registered cleaning solutions monitored by faculty.

Atwell Hall Prayer Room  527 Atwell Hall  COVID Guidelines  Spring 2021

• To gain student access: Email adam.clouser@osumc.edu so that he may code the student BUCKID for access to the room.
• One person may use prayer room at a time.
• Masks must be worn while in the prayer room.
• Hand sanitizer, wipes, and extra face masks will be in the room.
• Before using the prayer space, sanitize hands and wipe any surface that will be touched.
• After use, wipe any surface that was touched and sanitize hands once again.
• Return room back to original condition and assure that door is

HRS supports a community of care, trust, and respect. The following recommendations help to ensure the health and safety of students, faculty and staff.

Following university guidelines, we reinforce that you should quarantine for 10 days prior to returning to campus and follow all current university guidelines for return to campus.
Student Clinical/Fieldwork Rotations
All students will be required to complete specified modules on BUCKEYELEARN for infection control, DON/DOFF PPE, and COVID risk. Students have already completed mandatory training and have demonstrated competency in the concepts of hand hygiene. Students may have to complete further training at their assigned clinical sites. Routine mask use will be required for all learners and is already required for all staff at OSU Wexner Medical Center and community sites.

Each program has coordinated with the Supply Chain Work Group at the OSU Wexner Medical Center to define the personal protective equipment (PPE) needs for all learners in the clinical, non-clinical, and research environments. Depending on the classroom/laboratory based instruction, PPE will include universal masking in addition to gloves, gowns, and goggles. A process has been defined so that PPE will be ordered by the Medical Center for learners in the clinical environments and by the programs for non-clinical experiences. Each community site/partner is contacted to establish their ability to provide the necessary PPE. In the event that it cannot be provided by the community site, the program will provide it.

COVID Testing
OSU comprehensive testing program provides weekly testing of all students living in residence halls or university managed housing; regular testing of all students living off-campus; voluntary testing of asymptomatic students and for those students who are symptomatic. The most up-to-date instructions can be found here: https://safeandhealthy.osu.edu/testing

Social distancing of 6’ and 1 person /30 square feet will not always be possible in all patient care situations due to the nature of the acts of direct patient care/contact (direct bedside care, procedures, operating rooms, common workspaces, etc.) but it will be encouraged and
optimized whenever possible. Routine mask use will be required for all learners and is already required for all staff at OSU Wexner Medical Center and community sites.

**What communications about risk will be provided to students?**
Each academic program will establish policies for learners returning from out-of-state that adhere to current health orders as directed by the Ohio Health Director. All students will be required to complete specified modules on BUCKEYELEARN for infection control, DON/DOFF PPE, and COVID risk if they did not complete these during AU semester.

**What process will be used to accommodate students whose physical or mental health renders them unable to complete in-person instruction, and to direct them to established resources?**
Students who have to miss didactic instruction due to physical/mental health concerns should first contact disability services for any accommodations: **SLDS contact information:** [slds@osu.edu](mailto:slds@osu.edu); 614-292-3307; 098 Baker Hall, 113 W. 12th Avenue. Additionally, you should contact the course faculty to alert them of your inability to attend courses at this time and that you have requested accommodations.

Students will be provided the opportunity to delay their progression in the clinical program without any penalty and will be allowed to restart their clinical program when they are able to do so and when the clinical rotations are available to the student.

**Mental Health Counseling**
As a student, you may experience a range of issues that can cause barriers to learning, such as strained relationships, increased anxiety, alcohol/drug problems, feeling down, difficulty concentrating, and/or lack of motivation. These mental health concerns or stressful events may lead to diminished academic performance or reduce a student's ability to participate in daily activities. If you are a student in the School of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences, you may schedule an appointment with our mental health counselors: simply email [hrscom.counseling@osumc.edu](mailto:hrscom.counseling@osumc.edu), indicate which program for which you are enrolled and that you are interested in scheduling an initial counseling appointment.

No matter where you are engaged in distance learning, The Ohio State University's Student Life Counseling and Consultation Service (CCS) is here to support you. If you find yourself feeling isolated, anxious or overwhelmed, on-demand resources are available at [go.osu.edu/ccsondemand](http://go.osu.edu/ccsondemand). You can reach an on-call counselor when CCS is closed at 614-292-5766, and 24-hour emergency help is also available through the 24/7 National Prevention Hotline at 1-800-273-TALK or at suicidepreventionlifeline.org. The Ohio State Wellness app is also a great resource available at [go.osu.edu/wellnessapp](http://go.osu.edu/wellnessapp).