



COVID-19 FALL GUIDELINES

OVERVIEW

This academic year, the decisions you make on a daily basis will dramatically impact the health and safety of the Tulane and New Orleans community as well as the university's ability to offer a residential, in-person experience. All of us must accept personal responsibility for our actions and commit to keeping everyone in our community safe. Students who fail to abide by university and city safety regulations will face sanctions from the Office of Student Conduct.

PARAMETERS

- ▶ As a result of the current COVID-19 pandemic, restrictions and special policies will be in place at least through the end of the fall semester.
- ▶ Students are expected to abide by all local, state and/or federal regulations and university policies and restrictions related to COVID.
- ▶ This applies to all students, living both on and off-campus, as well as all their actions in off-campus spaces (parks, bars, houses, etc.). You may also be held accountable for the behavior of your guests.

HIGHLIGHTS

- ▶ Wear a mask anywhere outside of your on-campus residence or apartment, including open-air areas on campus.
- ▶ Maintain at least 6 feet of space between you and others.
- ▶ Limit any individual social gathering to fewer than 15 people.
- ▶ Residential students may only have one guest, which must be from the same residence hall. Off-campus students may not visit residence halls.
- ▶ Registered Student Organizations (RSO) must adhere to the following gathering-size limits: 25 people indoors, 50 people outdoors.
- ▶ RSO gatherings must be registered. The space must allow for proper social distancing. The limits apply even if the space could accommodate a larger number.
- ▶ Keep rooms, apartments, hallways, bathrooms, porches and yards clean and orderly.
- ▶ Follow all university and City of New Orleans rules and regulations.

PUBLIC HEALTH EXPECTATIONS



**DAILY
SYMPTOM
CHECKS**



**SOCIAL
DISTANCING**



**FACE
COVERINGS**



**HAND
WASHING**



PARTICIPATION IN CONTACT TRACING



PARTICIPATION IN TESTING

FACE COVERING PROTOCOL

- ▶ Face coverings must be correctly worn by all faculty, staff and students while inside a university facility or on any university property when in the presence of others (e.g., common workspaces, meeting rooms, etc.). Face masks must also be worn on university transit buses. Appropriate (covering nose and mouth) use of face coverings or face masks is critical in minimizing risks to others near you. COVID-19 can be spread to others even if no symptoms are being displayed.
- ▶ Tulane will provide two cloth face coverings per faculty, staff, and student working or studying in a university facility or on university grounds. Disposable masks will be provided by in various locations throughout campus, should the faculty, staff, or student forget to bring their own. Individuals are responsible for laundering the face covering as necessary, in accordance with the guidance below. Disposable masks must only be worn for one day and then disposed of in the trash. Individuals may provide their own face covering for their personal use.

EXEMPTIONS:

- ▶ A stationary person eating and drinking at a food and beverage establishment on university grounds. Face coverings must be worn any time a person leaves their table.
- ▶ A person seeking to communicate with a hearing-impaired person, for which the mouth needs to be visible.
- ▶ Anyone with a health condition that keeps them from wearing a face covering.
(Contact Kathryn Lafrentz, the ADA/504 Coordinator, at klafrentz@tulane.edu or by 504.247.1751 to request a reasonable accommodation.)
- ▶ A person in need of emergency or medical services may temporarily remove the face covering

POSSIBLE CONDUCT OUTCOMES

LOW SEVERITY

Examples of Behaviors

- ▶ Failure to wear a mask in public
- ▶ Failure to engage in proper social distancing
- ▶ Failure to maintain proper hygiene habits (hand washing, space cleanliness)

Possible Conduct Process

- ▶ Educational conversation
- ▶ Warning letter

Possible Sanctions

- ▶ Educational conversation
- ▶ Educational sanctions (reflection essay, policy review, letter of apology, etc.)
- ▶ Verbal or Written Warning

MEDIUM SEVERITY

Examples of Behaviors

- ▶ Repeated failure to comply with health guidelines
- ▶ Hosting an event (private, not eligible for registration) where proper social distancing or contact tracing is not observed (15 or fewer people)
- ▶ Violation of the Housing & Residence Life Guest Policy

Possible Conduct Process

- ▶ Administrative hearing

Possible Sanctions

- ▶ Educational sanctions (reflection essay, policy review, letter of apology, etc.)
- ▶ Potential campus access or specific building limitation or restrictions
- ▶ Restriction of a specific privilege
- ▶ Parental notification, if undergraduate
- ▶ Disciplinary Probation
- ▶ Fines up to \$500.00

HIGH SEVERITY

Examples of Behaviors

- ▶ Hosting an event (private, not eligible for registration) where proper social distancing or masking is not observed (More than 15 people)
- ▶ Harm (or apprehension of harm) to persons, specifically related to person's health (i.e. deliberately spitting, coughing or sneezing on another).
- ▶ Intimidating or harassing another related to health strategy
- ▶ Failure to participate in required testing
- ▶ Violation of required quarantine
- ▶ Repeated violation of the HRL Guest Policy

Possible Conduct Process

- ▶ Administrative hearing
- ▶ Major matter investigation
- ▶ Interim measures likely

Possible Sanctions

- ▶ Suspension or expulsion
- ▶ Removal of group recognition (Recognized Student Organizations only)
- ▶ Removal from on-campus housing
- ▶ Educational sanctions (reflection essay, policy review, letter of apology, etc.)
- ▶ Potential campus access or specific building limitation or restrictions
- ▶ Restriction of a specific privilege
- ▶ Extended disciplinary probation
- ▶ Parental notification, if undergraduate
- ▶ Fines up to \$500.00
- ▶ Residential Expulsion