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Dear Returning Denver Campus MSW Students:

I hope you have found some fun, rest, and/or rejuvenation over the summer. I know many of you have continued to take classes or are currently in field internships--which may feel like less of a break! Regardless of what you have endeavored this summer, I write to inform you of important information about the return to campus for the fall 2021 quarter. Some of you may be approaching campus for your very first time, and we want to ensure you are prepared and will have access. If you did not get a DU ID card last year, please see guidance below for getting one. Everyone will need a DU ID Card to enter Craig Hall as well as other campus buildings.

Online vs. On-Campus Course Expectations for Fall 2021:

Given what we know about COVID-19 levels right now, we anticipate that about 75% of classes will be available on campus and about 25% of classes will be offered online, in a flipped format (see below for more information). For students who want to be fully online, there will be at least one section of required advanced-standing courses as well as some concentration and elective courses. There will also be at least one section of required two-year foundation courses available. *However, most classes will be held in person, on campus.*

- All classes will have 60–90 minutes of content provided asynchronously and 90–120 minutes of activities that occur in a live session (either on campus or on Zoom). Most live sessions will be 120 minutes (2 hours), however, course length varies by subject; it will be important to check the schedule for live session times.
- You will indicate your preference for online or on-campus courses by updating your DU registration and waitlist requests. Some changes to instructors may occur between the start of registration and the first day of classes. You will be notified if waitlists indicate the need for an additional section or if you have been moved.
- On-campus sections will only run if the state, local, and university public health guidelines permit it.
 - Per DU or public health guidance, we may have to switch to fully online options at any point during the quarter.
 - Courses will virtually accommodate students who are required to self-isolate.
- Any student, staff, or faculty who comes to the DU campus must abide by DU-required social distancing and health practices. *For details on access to campus, see information below:*

COVID-19 On-Campus Protocols: Campus COVID-19 protocols were updated effective Monday, June 14. For the most up-to-date information, please continue to monitor [COVID-19 DU](#).

Please refer to the DU coronavirus website for information about:

- [On-campus COVID-19 safety protocols](#)

- [Student Vaccine Requirement](#) and [Vaccination FAQ](#)
- [Testing, Quarantine & Symptom Monitoring requirements](#) for all incoming students

Requirements to Access DU Campus

Access-to-campus requirements include all of the following:

Fully Vaccinated Individuals

1. As soon as possible (at least one week before your expected first day on campus), upload your proof-of-vaccination card to MyHealth, found on the [Health and Counseling Center website](#). You are considered fully vaccinated two weeks after your final dose. Please plan accordingly.
2. Receive a negative COVID-19 test result on or before your first day on campus at the on-campus testing locations, which are accessible to individuals with or without campus clearance. Saliva-based PCR testing is [available](#) without an appointment. Uploaded records of negative nasal swab PCR tests from outside providers will also be accepted.
3. You can be on campus once your campus access status reads 'Cleared' on PioneerWeb. Allow a few days after submitting your negative test and proof of vaccination.
4. Continue to monitor yourself for [COVID-19 symptoms](#); if you have symptoms, promptly test.

Individuals Who Are Unvaccinated or Not Fully Vaccinated

1. Indicate the date you intend to be on campus through the COVID-19 Vaccination Portal on PioneerWeb.
2. Please plan to be vaccinated and upload your vaccine record before your planned start date. Until full vaccination (two weeks following your final dose), please follow all requirements for individuals who are not fully vaccinated. If you would like to request a COVID-19 vaccine exemption, as soon as possible (at least one week before your expected first day on campus), upload your vaccination exemption request to MyHealth, found on the [Health and Counseling Center website](#).
3. Within 48 hours *before* your expected first day, receive a negative PCR COVID-19 test result at the on-campus testing locations, which are accessible to individuals with or without campus clearance. Saliva-based PCR testing is [available](#) without an appointment. Uploaded records of negative nasal swab PCR tests from outside providers will also be accepted.
4. Quarantine for seven days, logging daily on the quarantine log on PioneerWeb.
5. You must continue to wear a mask on campus and suggested to maintain social distancing wherever feasible.
6. Continue to monitor yourself for [COVID-19](#) symptoms and complete the daily log on the Symptom Daily Tracker on Pioneerweb.

The following are not required for on-campus students starting in fall 2021:

- The Pathway Back to Campus Canvas course
- Flu vaccination; (when new flu vaccines become available, we anticipate a flu vaccine requirement)
- Electronic contact tracing or symptom monitoring via the Everbridge application

DU ID Card:

- To obtain a DU ID card (which is required to access campus buildings, including classes), you must [submit an online photo](#). If done in advance, you may elect to have your DU ID card mailed to a preferred address by emailing pcard@du.edu. Please include your full name, mailing address, DU ID number, and date of birth in the email request. Otherwise, you can collect your card from the DU ID Card office **prior to your first day of classes**, once you are cleared to be on campus.

We will follow up with more information about events and activities to welcome everyone back to school. I wish you well and look forward to seeing more of you in person this year!

Wishing you all the best,

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