

## Visitor COVID-19 Acknowledgement and Attestation

The COVID-19 pandemic has created substantial individual and community health risks that likely will remain until there is an effective vaccine. Even with extensive planning and focus on the community's health and safety, the University of Chicago cannot eliminate these risks. Together we can try to reduce risk, but only if each of us commits to fostering a culture of shared responsibility for our individual and collective health and safety. The University thus expects every person who comes to a University facility, whether as an academic appointee, postdoctoral researcher, staff member, student, volunteer, contractor, or visitor, to adopt precautions designed to mitigate the risk of viral transmission. The University has outlined these safety precautions here: <https://goforward.uchicago.edu>. Additionally, every visitor must acknowledge and attest to the following before entering any University facility:

1. I currently do not have any symptoms known to be associated with COVID-19 as determined by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (**CDC**), and have not had such symptoms within the past 10 days.
2. I will conduct an **assessment** of my health for COVID-19 symptoms every day before entering any University facility and will monitor my health for new symptoms throughout my time on campus or in any University facility.
3. I will not enter any University facility or, if I am already present, I will immediately leave a University facility if:
  - a. I have tested positive for COVID-19;
  - b. I am exhibiting COVID-19-related symptoms;
  - c. I have been informed by the University and/or a medical or public health entity that I have had close contact with a COVID-19 positive person; or
  - d. I have recently traveled to an area with widespread, ongoing transmission of COVID-19 (including any state or territory designated by the **City of Chicago Department of Public Health Emergency Travel Order** if I am subject to the Emergency Travel Order); and I will not enter any University facility until I have met the applicable criteria for returning to campus described in the **Protocol for Addressing Confirmed or Suspected COVID-19 Exposures available at UChicago Go Forward**.
4. I am not currently required to self-quarantine to comply with the City of Chicago **emergency travel order** or a travel order implemented by any other governmental authority.
5. I will wear a face covering or mask that covers my nose and mouth and has ear loops to securely hold it in place, or has cords that tie around the back of the head, while in a University facility or when otherwise required by the University (including in University outdoor spaces when others are within six feet). I understand that it is not sufficient to wear masks that are loose-fitting, such as neck gaiters, bandanas, or scarves and that I will be provided a mask if I do not have one. I understand that reasonable accommodations will be made for visitors with health conditions that prevent them from wearing a face covering or mask.

\* University facility includes all owned or leased buildings with University offices, laboratories, classrooms, libraries, cafes, residence halls, museums, performance spaces, or other University facility in Hyde Park and greater Chicago, and the Howard T. Ricketts Laboratory in Lemont, Illinois. This does not include the National Laboratories and does not include property leased to third parties by the University's Commercial Real Estate Operations.

6. I will follow the University's other **required** COVID-19 mitigation measures, including:
- Maintaining a physical distance of at least six feet whenever possible when I am with others (and at least eight feet while eating or drinking indoors), and
  - Washing my hands with soap and water frequently, or using hand sanitizer when soap and water are not available.
7. By choosing to enter campus or any University facility, I am making an ongoing commitment to follow the COVID-19-related guidance and safety precautions communicated by the University. I understand that if I fail to follow the requirements set forth in this attestation, my access privileges to University facilities may be suspended or revoked.
8. I understand that the University may need to cancel the activity for which I am visiting or otherwise restrict access to a facility that I intended to visit on short or no notice for any reason including reasons of health or safety, and I agree not to hold the University responsible for any hardship or expense that I may have incurred as a result of my visit.
9. I understand that the University is taking many steps in an effort to mitigate the risk of transmission of COVID-19. I recognize that COVID-19 poses a serious public health risk and that the University is not able to guarantee a COVID-19-free environment or eliminate the chance of infection and associated health risks. By entering campus or any University facility, I acknowledge that I may be exposed to risks including exposure to contagious virus such as COVID-19 that could result in illness, injury, or death. Except if caused by the University's sole negligence, I accept and assume responsibility for all such risks.
10. In consideration of having access to campus, and except where caused solely by the University's gross negligence, I release, waive, and forever discharge the University and its trustees, officers, agents, and employees, from and against any and all liability for any harm, injury, damage, claims, demands, causes of action, costs, and expenses of any kind that my family or I may have arising out of or related to any loss, damage, or injury, including, but not limited to, death, that others or I sustain due to my presence on campus. I am agreeing to this waiver and release in full recognition and appreciation of the dangers, hazards, and risks of or related to campus access.

**I AGREE TO THE ABOVE TERMS.**

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PRINTED NAME

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SIGNATURE

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DATE

In the event that follow up may be required for contact tracing, provide your preferred

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EMAIL ADDRESS

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PHONE NUMBER