CU SAFELY BACK

AN OVERVIEW FOR RETURNING TO THE CAMPUSES
Objective: Chapman University proposes a phased Fall 2020 re-opening of our Orange and Irvine (the Harry and Diane Rinker Health Science Campus) campuses by utilizing five major prevention and mitigation strategies: Physical Distancing, Symptoms Monitoring, Public Health Interventions, Personal Protection Equipment and Sanitation.

Note: with gratitude and respect, Chapman based this overview on UCLA’s “Back to School COVID-19 Mitigation Measures.”
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CRITERIA TO MEET PRIOR TO RE-OPENING

Consistent with local, state and federal guidelines, CU is planning for the phased return of students, faculty, administrators and staff members to campus, and controlled reopening of classrooms, residence halls and offices contingent on the achievement of the following criteria:

**Federal Phase Two Requirements:**
1. Downward trajectory of influenza-like illnesses AND COVID-like syndromic cases within a 14-day period
2. Downward trajectory of documented cases within a 14-day period OR downward trajectory of positive tests as a percent of total tests within a 14-day period
3. Treat all patients without crisis care AND have a robust testing program in place for at-risk healthcare workers

**California Order of the State Public Health Officer, as periodically modified:**

All industries in California, in order to reopen, are required to:

1. Perform a detailed risk assessment
2. Train Employees
   a. On limiting spreading
   b. How to screen for symptoms
   c. To stay home if sick
3. Implement
   a. A site specific plan
      i. Orange
      ii. Rinker
      iii. Panther Village
      iv. Chapman Grand
   b. Cleaning and Disinfecting Protocols
   c. Physical Distancing Guidelines

Further, the State imposes requirements on Orange County as follows:

1. Orange County Health Care Agency (OCHCA) must be able to test to perform all needed testing, to perform contact tracing, and to require the capacity for isolation and/or quarantine COVID-confirmed patients and those who have been exposed to confirmed cases
2. OCHCA must have a plan to prevent infection in higher-risk populations including the elderly, disabled and those with co-morbidities
3. Orange County health systems must show the ability to handle surges
4. Hospital beds, staff, PPE, ventilators, etc.
5. Our region must show the ability to develop therapeutics
6. Ability to support and implement physical distancing
7. Physical markers, health checks upon entry to buildings, supplies and equipment such as hand sanitizer
8. OCHCA must have the capacity to determine when to reinstitute stay-at-home orders through tracking data and communication channels
Orange County Health Care Agency requirements of CU

As of mid-May, the OCHCA has not provided guidance on what will be the reopening requirements for Orange County institutions of higher education. However, Los Angeles County’s Department of Public Health (“LADPH”) is in active conversations with institutions there regarding what likely will be required for Fall 2020. Through our membership in the AICCU we are in contact with many Los Angeles County schools. Because Orange County has, to some degree, followed Los Angeles County on COVID-19 matters, it is reasonable to conclude that some of the following potential LADPH considerations will apply here too.

1. Colleges and universities may re-open in Phase 2 of the county’s plan, dependent on increases in infection and the number of confirmed cases. Chapman University is currently in Phase 2.

2. Residence Halls will be permitted to reopen provided that sanitation plans, physical distancing modifications, face coverings inside residence halls where strict social distancing is not possible, infection control plans, and plans for the rapid containment of positive cases are all securely in place.

3. For students in residence, appropriate space and plans are in place to isolate and quarantine as needed. Measures to ensure that faculty, staff and administrators with confirmed cases, as well as those exposed to confirmed cases, isolate or quarantine at home will be required.

4. Plans to educate students about risks to the surrounding community and prevention measures of spreading COVID-19 should be in place.

5. All classrooms will be subject to size constraints, daily repeated sanitization requirements and physical distancing modifications to ensure six-foot distances.

6. No large groups will be permitted when campuses reopen.

7. Institutions will be required to develop the capacity for large-scale and ongoing testing of students, to monitor symptoms frequently on a large scale, to conduct contact tracing and to contain any outbreaks.

8. Large numbers of positive cases likely will result in a closure order at least for portions of the campus.
CU CAMPUS-WIDE MEASURES TO PREPARE FOR REOPENING

Overview: CU proposes to undertake a number of mitigation measures to reduce the spread of COVID-19 while allowing modified teaching, learning, research, living and working on campus. Generally, the campus will undertake daily symptom monitoring, develop capabilities to test all symptomatic individuals of the campus community, undertake robust contact tracing of campus community members who test positive for COVID-19, test close contacts, install physical aids and communications to promote physical distancing, require all individuals to wear face coverings while in public areas on campus, and undertake increased sanitation efforts. The following measures will be implemented across the campuses. More detailed plans for specific areas and activities will be presented at the conclusion of this planning process on June 30.

Symptoms Monitoring

- Require self-reporting of COVID-19 symptoms prior to return to campus, by faculty, employees and students, consistent with privacy requirements by creating an on-line self-assessment/symptom screener
- Require daily COVID-19 symptom monitoring of students, faculty and staff working, living and attending classes on campus through a broad program of non-contact forehead temperature checks
- Evaluate contract qualified health services for contact tracing
- Quickly identify faculty, staff, and students with concerning symptoms and direct them to the Student Health Center for evaluation
- Develop the capacity to test all students, faculty and staff on campus with flu or COVID-19 symptoms

Public Health Interventions

- Robust contact tracing will be conducted by trained staff or students of faculty, staff, and students who test positive for COVID-19
- Test close contacts
- Education and outreach to students to remind them to wash their hands, report symptoms to staff, wear facemasks, maintain physical distance and provide a resource list for mental and physical health
- Increase air-change rate in buildings to prevent airborne droplets from stagnating, if feasible
- Contingency plans will be implemented if outbreak resurgence occurs
**Face Coverings**

- Face coverings to be worn by students, faculty, staff and visitors in public areas across the campus where it is likely you will come in contact with other individuals (not including while eating).
- Reusable face masks will be made available to faculty, staff and students with instructions for use and care.

**Sanitation**

- Trained staff members will sanitize frequently used common bathrooms, common areas and high-touch surfaces according to guidelines published by relevant government authority.
- Hand sanitizer will be available at the entrance to all buildings and in other key locations.
RESIDENCE HALLS

Overview: CU proposes that residence halls be available to house students at limited occupancy with no more than two persons per room. Common bathrooms will be cleaned and sanitized by trained staff daily. Physical distancing measures in common areas will be implemented. Students will be tested immediately upon emergence of flu or COVID-like symptoms. A select number of rooms will be held vacant for quarantine and isolation uses. Residents awaiting test results shall be relocated to an isolation room.

Strategic Logistical and Operational Details:

PHYSICAL DISTANCING

- Maximum of two students will be housed per room. No more than three students in any two-bedroom apartment or suite. No more than four students total in any three-bedroom apartment or suite
- Set aside rooms with private bathrooms (if available) equivalent to 3% of residents for isolation and quarantine areas
- Isolate entire floor or building if outbreak calls for larger response than set aside rooms can accommodate
- Encourage students living on each hall to function as a cohort unit for dining and other activities
- Use physical aids to limit occupancy of dining and food facilities, except for cohort units. Consider a large tent to increase dining capacity
- Set up tables and chairs in conference rooms for use as additional seating for meals while maintaining physical distancing
- Using physical aids to limit occupancy of study and work areas to maintain 6-foot distance between occupants
- Building access will be heavily controlled
- Posted signage and floor markings at areas where residents wait to enter dining, elevators or other areas
- Will make efforts to accommodate or excuse from applicable residency requirements students with self-identified pre-existing health conditions that make them a higher risk for severe COVID-19 illness to single occupancy rooms (this is in addition to accommodating those with disabilities)
- Consider creation of a reservation system for dining halls to control occupancy
SYMPTOMS MONITORING

• Periodically test a statistically relevant sample of students living in campus housing, independent of symptoms

• Implement no contact hand-held forehead temperature screenings at entrances of residence and dining facilities and disallow entry for individuals with a body temperature of 100.0°F/38.0°C or higher

• Conduct serological tests of residents to distribute individuals without antibodies and avoid concentrations in the same living areas (if tests prove to be accurate)

PUBLIC HEALTH INTERVENTIONS

• All students, both residential students and commuter students, will be required to show proof of health insurance coverage in order to enroll for fall 2020

• Symptomatic students will be housed in set aside isolation units while waiting for test results or following a positive test

• Close contacts with confirmed cases to be placed in set aside quarantine units for 14 days from contact and 3 days of consecutive negative tests

• Food will be delivered, and other services provided, to those in isolation/quarantine

• Food in dining halls and food facilities plated by dining employees, including salads

SANITATION

• For embedded bathrooms shared by two units, cleaning will be increased according to guidelines published by relevant government authority and sanitizer wipes distributed to residents for self-cleaning

• Provide hand sanitizer in building entrances, dining, study and other common areas

• Rooms with positive cases will be cleaned and sanitized by custodians with appropriate training and wearing specified PPE
CLASSROOMS

Overview: CU proposes that classrooms be utilized to the occupancy that a 6-foot distance permits between individuals while simultaneously employing face mask usage, and designating and facilitating entry and exit routes to avoid congestion and to maintain physical distancing.

Strategic Logistical and Operational Details:

PHYSICAL DISTANCING

- A limited number of students consistent with government requirements will be permitted in classrooms. Chapman will ensure that classroom sizes meet all space requirements.
- Seats will be marked at 6-foot distances from one another, and physical barriers installed to ensure social distancing
- A distance of 6-feet will be marked from the instructor to closest seat
- The classroom’s entry and exit routes will be clearly designated and facilitated to avoid congestion
- Signage and floor markings outside classrooms for waiting students will be posted

SYMPTOMS MONITORING

- No contact hand-held forehead temperature screenings at entrances of classroom facilities, and for those with a body temperature of 100.0 F/38.0 C, direct them to the Student Health Center and disallow entry
- Symptomatic students will be directed to the Student Health Center for further instructions

PUBLIC HEALTH INTERVENTIONS

- Train faculty and TAs to encourage physical distancing and direct any students with concerning symptoms to the Student Health Center for further evaluation

ALTERNATIVE LEARNING

- Efforts will be made to provide remote access for students who are unable to attend for various reasons and to ensure those with symptoms can still access educational programs
TEACHING AND RESEARCH LABORATORIES

Overview: CU proposes that teaching and research laboratories be utilized to the occupancy that a 6-foot distance permits between individuals while simultaneously employing face mask usage, and designating and facilitating entry and exit routes to avoid congestion and maintain physical distancing.

Strategic Logistical and Operational Details:

PHYSICAL DISTANCING
- Lab stations will be marked at 6-foot distances from one another
- A distance of 6-feet will be marked from the instructor/TA to closest seat
- The lab’s entry and exit routes will be clearly designated and facilitated to avoid congestion
- Stage all needed supplies at each station to remove need for extraneous movement in the lab
- Signage and floor markings outside classrooms and labs for waiting students will be posted

SYMPTOMS MONITORING
- Symptomatic students will be directed to contact the Student Health Center and not attend class

PUBLIC HEALTH INTERVENTIONS
- Ensure any shared PPE is regularly decontaminated, or that students bring their own set. If individuals bring their own PPE, they will need to be educated on properly cleaning prior to reusing
- Train faculty, staff and students to properly decontaminate their workstations and PPE after experiments
- Train faculty and TAs to encourage physical distancing and any students with concerning symptoms should be directed to the Student Health Center for evaluation

FACE COVERINGS
- Faculty, staff and students shall wear masks in lab, except for lab activities with specific PPE requirements
- Faculty, staff and students and instructors trained not to touch their masks and faces during experiments

SANITATION
- Sanitizer wipes available in each teaching and research laboratory for individual sanitation of work area prior to the beginning of class
- Ensure sanitization of equipment between uses
LIBRARY AND COMMON STUDY AREAS

Overview: CU proposes that library and study areas be utilized to the occupancy that facilitates 6-foot distances between individuals, using physical distancing aids, face mask usage, designating and facilitating entry and exit routes to avoid congestion, and providing sanitization materials to reduce transmission.

Strategic Logistical and Operational Details:

PHYSICAL DISTANCING

- Seats and work stations will be marked at 6-foot distances from one another, extra chairs will be removed or obstructed to encourage distancing
- Entry and exit routes will be clearly designated and facilitated to avoid congestion
- Signage and floor markings at service desk areas for waiting students will be posted

SYMPTOMS MONITORING

- Implement no contact hand-held forehead temperature screenings at entrances to library and common study spaces, and disallow entry for individuals with a body temperature over 100.0 F/38.0 C
- Symptomatic individuals will be directed either to contact their health provider or to the Student Health Center, and to leave the library or study area

PUBLIC HEALTH INTERVENTIONS

- Train library staff to encourage physical distancing and any students with concerning symptoms should be referred to the Student Health Center for evaluation

SANITATION

- Trained staff to wipe down study tables and common surfaces according to guidelines published by relevant government authority
- Hand sanitizer to be available at the entrance to buildings
LARGE GATHERINGS

• Large gatherings will be indefinitely deferred and future such events are dependent on state and county authorizations
• Maintain recommended physical distancing consistent with CDC recommendations in common athletics areas such as the Athletic Training Room(s), strength and conditioning facilities and fitness centers, team meeting rooms/classrooms and high-volume communal areas, including spectator areas.

• Consider a phased return to athletics participation based on the potential risk of transmission in each sport and pursuant to decisions by NCAA Division III and the Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (“SCIAC”).

• Require daily COVID-19 symptom monitoring of students and staff working and participating in intercollegiate athletics. Any individuals identified with concerning symptoms will be directed to the Student Health Center.

• Implementation of an athletics “shared responsibility” infection prevention plan, including individual personal conduct consistent with prevention guidelines (hand washing, physical distancing, wearing PPEs), personal hygiene guides, signage about prevention based on CDC recommendations, hand sanitation stations, annual and supplemental prevention education and training for student athletes and staff.

• When physical distancing is not possible, face coverings to be worn by student athletes, staff, and visitors in the athletics setting (including training rooms, fitness and strength training areas and other communal areas).

• Trained staff and Athletics staff will sanitize frequently used high volume communal areas, including spectator areas in athletics facilities, common bathrooms, strength and conditioning facilities, and high-touch surfaces in regular intervals.
ARTS

The University’s arts facilities, including the Musco Center for the Arts, Memorial Auditorium, Folino Theater at Marion Knott Studios, Waltmar Theatre and The Hilbert Museum, are subject to government agency regulations, and will be opened when and under the conditions allowed by relevant agencies.

CU’s Safely Back Plans are subject to relevant government agency authorities. When Federal, State and County agencies clarify or modify their directives, Chapman’s plans for Fall 2020 will be updated and communicated promptly.