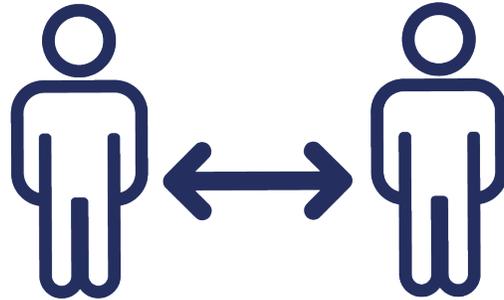
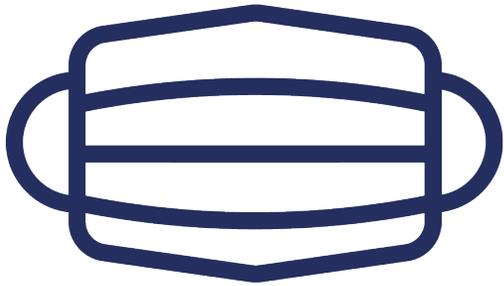




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COVID 19 WORKING AND CAMPUS ARRANGEMENTS FOR AUTUMN 2021

LIVING CAUTIOUSLY WITH COVID – MOVING TO A NEW PHASE



TODAY'S WEBINAR

- New High Level Principles
- New Health and Safety Video
- General Campus and Travel Information for the Autumn Term
- Research
- Libraries
- Learning & Teaching
- Questions and Answers
- Summary & Close

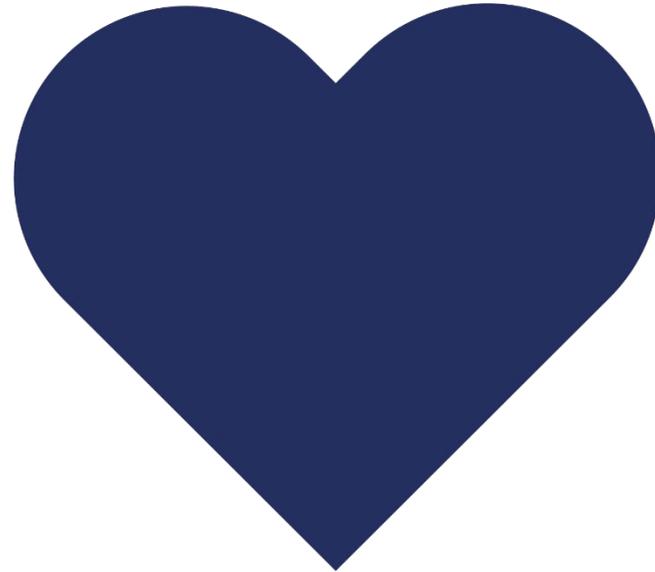
HIGH LEVEL PRINCIPLES

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1. **Wherever possible, will look and feel as close to those of the wider Welsh society, given the relevant Alert level guidance** and the provisions made below.
2. That we recognise that a **vibrant and safe campus environment** and in-person engagements between individuals, staff and students, staff and staff, students and students, are important to the running of the business.
3. That we recognise that **staff and students, also have a responsibility** alongside the University for maintaining their own health and safety within the University.
4. That the University's core business of delivering an excellent student experience and world class research, including its international reach, will determine the needs of the University and the requirements for staff and student activities.
5. That the **wellbeing (physical and mental health) of students and staff** will be a critical consideration in all risk assessment and decision making.
6. That protective reasonable measures will be essential across the University community.

Taking account of the principles above, we will continue to take all **reasonable measures based on risk assessment** to minimise the risk of exposure to, and transmission of, COVID-19 in line with Welsh Government advice and guidance.

WELLBEING AND OVERALL APPROACH





RISK ASSESSMENT

- The University is taking a risk based approach to manage the risk of exposure to and transmission of COVID.
- Generic risk assessments, safe operating procedures, advice and guidance is available on the H&S webpage.
- Individuals at increased risk of COVID or those who were previously shielding or clinically vulnerable should complete the University attending campus checklist and guidance document. Referrals will be via the University occupational health team and additional controls may be implemented.
- Face coverings and social distancing will remain as mitigations within risk assessments



REPORTING SYMPTOMATIC AND POSITIVE COVID CASES

- If you are feeling unwell, you are required to stay at home and not come in to campus.
- If you feel unwell whilst on campus you are required to go home immediately and inform your line manager.
- Follow University and Welsh Government advice for isolation and testing.
- It's still important that you report to the University if you have received a positive COVID test result. The University has arrangements in place to support the test, trace and protect strategy
- Students report to **MyUni Support**
- Staff report to their line manager and **coronavirus-staff@swansea.ac.uk**



ISOLATING AND CLOSE CONTACTS

- If you are required to isolate, you must do this in accordance with the Welsh Government guidance [Self isolation](#)
- If you have been identified as a close contact and are exempt from isolation, (in accordance with Welsh Government and TTP) it is a University requirement that staff and students **DO NOT** attend campus or university organised activity.

TESTING & VACCINATIONS

Asymptomatic testing

- In line with Welsh Government guidelines the University strongly supports and promotes the use of asymptomatic LFT testing **twice weekly**
- Test kits are available for collection from campus and community locations.
- The University may use LFT testing as a risk mitigator to enable activity and events. This will be determined on a risk assessment basis and communicated as required.

Symptomatic testing

- Complete symptomatic testing in accordance with Welsh Government and TTP advice.
- The University will support isolating and quarantine students in on campus residences, to receive postal PCR tests

Vaccinations

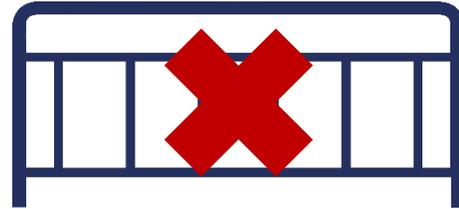
- The University strongly supports the Government recommendation for double vaccinations.

CAMPUS FACILITIES



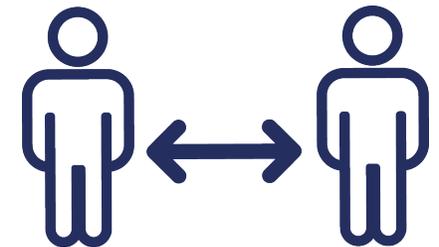
GENERAL SPACES

Outdoor spaces



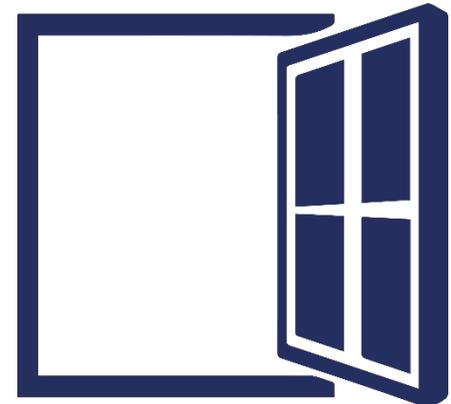
OPTIONAL

Indoor Public/Circulation spaces



INDOOR OFFICE SPACES

- Staff and **PGR areas** such as shared offices will remain socially distanced.
- Generic risk assessments and guidance documents are available to support staff to identify risks and control measures.
- User and campus services cleaning arrangements are in place.
- Local arrangements such as agreed rotas and attendance days.
- Limit the use of shared equipment and follow university guidance where this cannot be avoided.
- **The use of face coverings when not 2m socially distanced and when moving around the space.**
- Increase natural ventilation by opening windows.



ON CAMPUS MEETINGS AND EVENTS

- Supervisory meetings, seminars and events add to the vibrancy of the University all can take place by following the University guidance for meetings and event
- All events will be risk assessed and reasonable mitigations put in place
- A mixture of in-person and online events and activities are being planned for Welcome and Induction
- In-person events are managed and risk assessed and could require evidence of negative lateral flow tests for entry

RESEARCH ENVIRONMENTS, ACTIVITIES AND LABORATORIES

- All research laboratories and spaces are risk assessed on an individual basis locally and suitable, reasonable mitigations put in place depending on activity to reduce transmission and exposure – further information sessions will be run in Faculties to facilitate this.
- Laboratories across campuses have been open since last summer and mitigations put in place have enabled:
 - Research requiring access to on-campus facilities to resume
 - 3rd party research involving members of the public
- General Campus and Travel Information for the Autumn Term includes PGR
- Access to PGR shared offices will be agreed locally and offices will remain socially distanced
- On campus supervision and research team meetings can take place by following the University guidance for meetings and events
- PGR travel for research purposes is enabled

UK AND INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL

- All University travel within the UK is permitted.
 - Existing arrangements for risk assessment and authorization are in place.
- The University has a risk-based process in place to enable international travel, based on current advice issued by FCDO and Drum Cussac risk reports. International travel not limited to essential travel.
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- Staff and PGRs travelling abroad must comply with;
 - the international travel policy and associated documents and
 - the supplementary COVID arrangements for international activity.

Guidance on how to plan your travel will be made available soon.

Do not book your travel before it has been approved by your Faculty team.

All bookings are to be made through the University system.

LIBRARIES

- Spacious, well ventilated areas of the buildings will be open access without bookings.
- When moving about library users must wear face coverings but not mandatory when seated
- Smaller areas, including group study pods, will be bookable and masks essential.
- Users able to browse bookstacks and use Printing Zones without a booking.
- Information Desks will be open for enquiries. Plexi screens are in place.
- Library users will need to show staff/student ID cards at entrances.
- Opening hours - 24/7 from 27th September



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For PGR students who are student demonstrators:

- We will maximise the amount of teaching on campus, in line with Public Health and Welsh Government guidance.
- On campus small group and practical sessions (e.g. seminars, tutorials, workshops, sessions in specific facilities like computer labs and specialist suites, student-led sessions, team working sessions) will be prioritised.
- Large lectures will remain online.
- Student information has been developed on COVID related risk; students also will sign the student charter.

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- Face coverings are strongly recommended in L&T spaces
- Timetables have been developed based on contact groups following the 30 and 6 rule which supports contact tracing, staff are not part of the student contact groups
- The University has established reasonable measures for L&T spaces to reduce the risk of COVID. These can be found on the intranet at https://staff.swansea.ac.uk/media/HSA-10147-34_SOP-for-Learning-and-Teaching_v3.pdf
- L&T spaces have been risk assessed and room capacity have been reduced from normal capacity
- L&T staff are asked to remind students of specific requirements and control measures at the start of lectures
- UK based Fieldwork can take place during TB1 but international fieldwork will be considered for TB2
- Teaching laboratories are operating on teaching contact groups

STUDENT COMMUNICATIONS



Social media



Student emails



Inductions

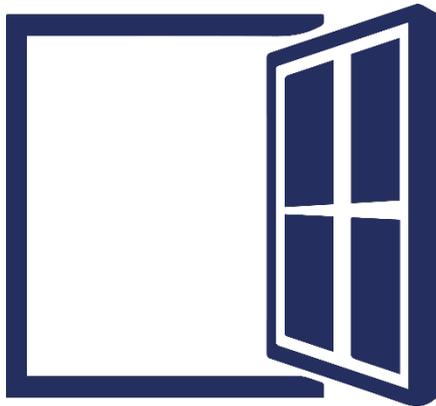
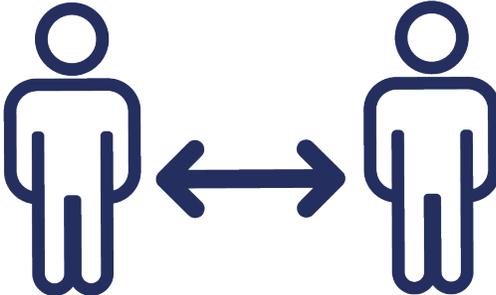
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KEY MESSAGES TO TAKE AWAY





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