

The following policy applies and shall be enforced during the current coronavirus pandemic as recognized by the State of Ohio.

As a consequence of the current coronavirus pandemic, students are expected to abide by all safety and health policies implemented by the University's Office of Environmental Occupational Health and Safety as well as all applicable local, state, and federal mandates. Currently, University policy includes the requirement that students properly wear a protective face covering in while in university buildings in addition to maintaining appropriate social distancing when possible. Exceptions to wearing a face covering in a classroom or laboratory must be for justifiable reasons as approved by the Division of Student Affairs and/or Disability Services. Violations of any coronavirus safety and health policy shall be handled in accord with The Student Code of Conduct.

General Classroom Guidelines

- Faculty and students coming to campus must maintain 6-foot social distancing requirements
- Face covering must be worn while inside any campus building; this includes the face-to-face classroom setting
- Students are not allowed entry into the classroom without a face covering
- Hygiene and sanitation procedures may be stricter for classrooms with labs or for courses where there is a possible increase of transmission (eg. music related courses, courses involving close physical activity)
- Disinfecting wipes/sprays will be provided in classrooms that are used for face-to-face course instruction
- Faculty and students will be responsible for wiping down their work areas at the beginning and end of each class
- To limit chances of transmission, no eating allowed in the classrooms. Only drinks with sealable containers can be used in class (eg. water bottle with lid)
- Each person entering the classroom must scan into the location using the posted QR Scan Code
- Any concerns/issues should be communicated immediately to EOHS

Instructor Safety Procedures

- Faculty must teach with a face covering or face shield
- Faculty are expected to use assigned seating in their classrooms to help contact tracing if a fellow classmate were to be exposed to COVID-19
- Daily attendance must be performed to determine which students are present for the class to help contact tracing fellow classmates
- Faculty should use hand sanitizer before and after touching computers or other shared classroom items.

- Faculty using classroom technology such as computers should sanitize the keyboard, mouse etc. prior to use
- Faculty who utilize white boards must bring their own markers and not share common writing utensils
- Group activity is often an important element of classroom instruction. While group activity can still occur 6 feet of social distancing is required between students.
- Instructor/student office hour meetings should take place remotely/virtually whenever possible

Student Safety Procedures

- Students must always follow the YSU Safety and Health Guidelines while on campus and attending class
- Students are not allowed entry into the classroom without a face covering
- Students must wash their hands frequently in between classes and use hand sanitizer as needed
- To limit chances of transmission, no eating allowed in the classrooms. Only drinks with sealable containers can be used in class (eg. water bottle with lid)
- Student should not congregate in classroom/hall-way areas between or during class
- Avoid lending/borrowing supplies from other students
- If you must cough or sneeze be sure to cover your mouth even with a mask on, using your arm at the elbow joint
- Each person entering the classroom needs to scan into the location using the posted QR Scan Code