

# University of St. Augustine for Health Sciences Revised Reentry Protocol Frequently Asked Questions

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This Q&A includes general responses to frequently asked questions. For more specific answers and details regarding procedures, please reach out to <a href="reentry@usa.edu">reentry@usa.edu</a> or contact your local campus Human Resources partner (faculty and staff) or academic program director (students) directly. Please refer to the <a href="Campus Reentry page">Campus Reentry page</a> for updated, detailed policies and procedures.

Thank you for helping to keep our campuses open and thriving! We will continue to carefully monitor changes in pandemic conditions, and as has been our practice, revise campus entry protocols if necessary to maintain a safe and healthy campus environment.

#### **CAMPUS ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

## Q: Is the USAHS Health Screen form required?

Effective January 3, 2023, USAHS is no longer using the daily health screening, scanning in/out with QR codes or wearing colored wristbands, for campus entry. All students, faculty, staff and visitors should still monitor their health prior to coming to campus and **stay home if ill.** 

## Q: Do I need to provide proof of COVID-19 vaccination to enter campus?

The University of St. Augustine for Health Sciences (USAHS) does not require proof of COVID-19 vaccination for campus entry. The University continues to encourage vaccination.

As a reminder, a significant majority of our clinical sites continue to require students and others to be fully vaccinated, including booster shots, against COVID-19 to meet their clinical experience or other external academic activities. Clinical placements and experiences may be at risk for those students who are not fully vaccinated against COVID-19.

### Q: Am I required to provide proof of negative COVID-19 test to enter campus?

USAHS does not require proof of a negative COVID-19 test for campus entry.

## Q: Do I have to wear a face mask on campus?

The use of face masks is **optional on <u>all</u> campus facilities**, except as noted for post exposure and post-positive COVID-19 diagnosis or exposure\*. We continue to encourage the use of face masks for our pro-bono clinics where at-risk patients participate and with research study participants. Face masks will continue to be made available on all campuses.

\*If you have had a positive diagnosis or exposure to COVID-19

 If you are exposed to COVID-19 and have no symptoms, wear a mask for 10 full days following the most recent date of exposure. • If you test positive for COVID-19, remain off campus and isolate for five days after the date of symptom onset. When symptoms resolve, campus may be accessed if a mask is worn at all times through the 10<sup>th</sup> day after symptoms began.

**COVID-19 POSITIVE TESTS / EXPOSURE** 

## Q: Am I required to contact Reentry if I test positive for COVID-19?

Effective January 3, 2023, individuals who test positive for COVID-19 are not expected to report the positive result to Reentry.

## Q: If I test positive for COVID-19, what am I expected to do? May I access campus if I wear a mask?

- If you test positive, stay off campus for five (5) days following the date of symptom onset.
- If you test positive but are asymptomatic, stay off campus for five (5) days following the date of the positive test.
- If you are feeling better on day 5, you may go to campus on day 6, but always wear a mask on campus on days 6-10. If you don't have a mask, please obtain one at the front desk.

## Q: What if I feel sick but test negative for COVID-19?

If you are experiencing symptoms of illness, please **do not access campus** and **stay home** until your symptoms resolve. Contact your Program Director or manager if you will be absent.

 Symptoms of illness include but are not limited to fever, chills, cough, sore throat, shortness of breath, muscle pain, rash, headache, new loss of taste or smell, fatigue, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting, or diarrhea.

#### Q: When would it be recommended to contact Reentry?

If you have questions about accessing campus, please contact Reentry at <a href="mailto:reentry@usa.edu">reentry@usa.edu</a> or 855-468-7247.

**Reentry Hours**: The Reentry mailbox (<a href="reentry@usa.edu">reentry@usa.edu</a>) and telephone number (855-468-7247) will continue to be monitored during the 2023 Spring Term 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. ET Monday-Friday. Email/voicemails received Friday evening through Sunday morning will be reviewed Sunday evening ET and will be answered by noon ET the following Monday.

## **CAMPUS OPERATIONS**

#### Q: What COVID-19 prevention and containment strategies will USAHS continue?

The University of St. Augustine for Health Sciences will continue hygiene protocols, including maintaining cleaning and sanitizing procedures throughout the campuses, as well as encouraging handwashing and sanitizing for all persons. Please refer to the <u>Campus Reentry page</u> for updated, detailed policies and procedures.

 Please wash your hands with soap often and for at least 20 seconds and sanitize hands with an alcohol-based sanitizer when wash areas are not available. Hand sanitizer is provided throughout campus.

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