



University of Idaho

TO: University of Idaho Faculty, Staff and Students

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SUBJECT: Summer and Fall 2021 Semester Guidance for Moscow Campus

We are moving toward a return to in-person activities for Summer and Fall 2021, but we are mindful that the pandemic is not over. Our plans shift us to an in-person experience for Fall 2021 and will position U of I to adjust, if needed. Our plan assumes:

- Summer 2021 will be a transition period that includes a mix of our current COVID-19-related instructional delivery methods and in-person activities as appropriate based on pandemic protocols and Public Health guidance. Changes to governmental requirements may also impact our practices.
- Fall 2021 will have a more normal, in-person semester schedule, conditions permitting.
- [COVID-19 vaccines are widely available](#) and faculty, staff and students are strongly encouraged to get vaccinated.
- An individual's vaccination status is private. Supervisors are prohibited from inquiring about employees' vaccination status; likewise, faculty are prohibited from inquiring about students' vaccination status.
- U of I facilities located outside of Moscow will continue to follow their local regulations. Site supervisors will

communicate to their communities separately.

Summer 2021 Details

- [Registration](#) for summer is open.
- Room assignments for summer courses follow our current 50% capacity guideline. The university will continue to provide hand sanitizer and cleaning supplies in every classroom.
- Summer course offerings utilize [COVID-19 formats](#). These course formats include Classroom Meeting, HyFlex, Hybrid, Virtual Meeting and Online (Web).
- Faculty must clearly communicate to students about in-person attendance requirements. Course delivery should be consistent with the manner listed on the schedule developed during Spring 2021. Changes to course delivery — from what is advertised on the schedule of classes to the actual delivery of the course — should not occur.
- Summer term will begin using protocols set forth in the [Healthy Vandal Pledge](#). Conditions will be evaluated regularly throughout the summer and restrictions may be lifted if conditions improve.
- Mandatory COVID-19 testing of students will not occur during summer session so ineligible lists will not be provided to instructors; however, free symptomatic testing will still be available by contacting covid19questions@uidaho.edu. Isolation space will still be provided to students living on campus.
- Events and field camps can be scheduled following university protocols for COVID-19. We will continue to follow Idaho Stage III restrictions until further notice. Contact Jeremy Barron at jbarron@uidaho.edu with questions regarding events.
- With fewer people on campus during summer you may notice changes to building traffic flow guidance, thermal

scanning and space restrictions.

- The U of I Library will be open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Friday; closed on Saturday; and open from noon to 8 p.m. on Sunday.
- [IRIC](#) has an outdoor meeting space. Visit the [IRIC space reservation website](#) for information. Additional spaces are available. Visit uidaho.edu/venues for more information.

Fall 2021 Details

- We plan to return to normal operations in the fall. Fall 2021 safety protocols will be announced closer to the start of the semester.
- We plan a return to in-person classes and activities. Therefore, the staffing needs of courses and programs should also assume regular in-person activity.
- The available [Fall 2021 course formats](#) are slightly different. The HyFlex course format has been phased out. Courses previously designated as HyFlex should return to in-person designations or can be offered through simultaneous Classroom Meeting and Virtual Meeting sections. Departments are responsible for managing course enrollments in connected Classroom Meeting and Virtual Meeting sections. Enrollment limits may need to be adjusted between sections to provide maximum access to students.

Throughout the summer, we will communicate through your U of I email address regarding changes to safety protocols and campus operations. Additionally, relevant information will be posted on the [U of I COVID-19 website](#).

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