COVID-19 Situation in Miami-Dade County

For complete report, go to Williams R et al.
www.miamicovidproject.com
How can you help

• Protect yourself and others
  • Stay home if you have symptoms or think you were exposed
  • Wear a mask over mouth and nose in public
  • Do not meet in-person with people outside your household unless it is essential
  • Wash your hands often with soap and water at least 20 seconds
  • Clean and disinfected frequently touched surfaces daily

• Others
  • Consider volunteering for a vaccine trial
    www.coronaviruspreventionnetwork.org
  • Consider donating to local nonprofits helping affected people
COVID-19 Response Team

- **Who?** Public health professionals and a nurse director
- **Role?** Contact tracing, provide education, link to resources
- **What do they do?**
  - Interview people diagnosed with COVID-19 to see if they had any close contacts on campus while they are infectious
  - Determine if FIU buildings need to be decontaminated
  - Contact those FIU contacts so they can be tested and quarantined
  - Provide clearance for people to come back to campus after isolation or quarantine is completed
Panthers Protecting Panthers (P3)

Panthers Protecting Panthers is a multi-language mobile and desktop application developed to extend the process of non-invasive screening and community information sharing for employees and students of Florida International University.

The application is available for iOS, Android and as a web accessible app.
Students will use the Safety Screening Checklist to answer a series of questions that will determine if they should come to campus, stay home, and/or schedule an appointment to get tested for COVID-19.

The questionnaire is available in English, Spanish, and Creole.
Safety Screening Checklist (COVID-19)

1. **Temperature Question**
   - **Question:** Was your temperature this morning 100.4°F or higher?
   - Options: Yes, No

2. **Symptoms Question**
   - **Question:** Do you currently have or did you have in the past 48 hours any of the following COVID-19 symptoms that you usually do not have?
   - Options: Yes, No
   - Symptoms: Fever (temperature of 100.4°F or higher), cough, shortness of breath / difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headaches, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose.

3. **Contact Question**
   - **Question:** Are you in contact with anyone diagnosed with, or displaying symptoms of, COVID-19 within the last 14 days?
   - Options: Yes, No

4. **Social Distance Question**
   - **Question:** During the last 14 days, were you within 6 feet of a person (except household members) for more than 15 minutes when you were not wearing a facial covering?
   - Options: Yes, No

By submitting this screening, I affirm and attest that all the information and answers to screening questions herein are complete, true and correct to the best of my knowledge.
Students who report symptoms may be instructed to stay home and get tested for COVID-19.

These students should NOT report to campus until authorized to do so.
Q: When is the app going to be available?
A: The app will be available to students before the start of the first day of classes. Tentatively, August 18th.

Q: What happens if the app advises me to say home and/or get tested for COVID-19?
A: You will be sent an email with "Next Steps" to take or follow the "Next Steps" when completing the screening.

Q: Will my professors know if the app has asked to stay home or get tested for COVID-19?
A: We are working to help facilitate this process but, as a common practice, it continues to be the responsibility of the students to notify the instructor and coordinate any follow up related to class instruction, either through email or Canvas.

Q: How do you know if someone has not filled out the app?
A: It is on an honor system. In order for Panthers Protecting Panthers to truly work for all us, FIU expects all students to comply with all Panthers Protecting Panthers guidelines and measures put in place.

Q: Who can see my screening data?
A: The group that may be see full screening data will be the COVID Response Team, if required.

Q: Do I need to complete the screening if I am not coming to Campus?
A: You are only required to submit a screening if you are coming to campus. Housing students must fill out daily.

Q: Will the app remind me to complete the screening on a daily basis?
A: Not at this time. We are working on options to be able to set reminders.
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AskCharlie.fiu.edu

ASK CHARLIE

The many changes taking place at FIU this Fall are a lot to take in. That’s why we created Ask Charlie, a site where you can get the information and support you need to build your Fall schedule in a way that makes the most sense for you.

Who’s Charlie?

Dr. Charlie Andrews is the Assistant Vice President for Academic and Student Affairs. His entire job is to work with various colleges and departments at FIU to make sure you get everything you need to succeed at school and beyond—and he’s taking questions! Your academic advisor is ready and willing to assist you with your fall schedule, but if you need additional assistance finalizing your courses...Ask Charlie!
Need More? Ask Charlie!

Fill out the form below with your questions or with a detailed description about what you need to build the best Fall 2020 class schedule for you. Charlie's here to help.

Panther ID*

First name*

Last name*

Email*

Your question*

Submit
Q: How do I find courses that are being offered remotely/online or in-person?
A: When searching for available sections, the “location” and “room” information will help you determine how a course is being offered. There is also a “Mode of Instruction” filter that can be utilized when you search for a specific course or by academic department.

Q: Can an international student take their fall courses remotely/online from their home country?
A: If the courses they need are being offered remotely/online international students do have that option, but they must contact the International Student and Scholar Services (ISSS) office to ensure that all immigration paperwork is updated appropriately. Visit globalaffairs.fiu.edu/isss/ for additional information.

Q: Is it possible that classes that begin as in-person/hybrid be switched to remote OR that remote courses will be switching to in-person?
A: Courses that start the semester with in-person classes could be moved to remote learning if the circumstances are warranted. All classes that begin as remote will stay remote throughout the entire fall semester.

Q: With the majority of courses being remote, will Campus Services, like the libraries, be open?
A: Yes. Students will still have access to FIU’s services and resources. Many services will be offered on campus, with social distancing enforced, while others will continue to be offered remotely.
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Opening the Halls While Promoting Healthy Living

- **Hall Move-in**
  - We have structured move-in with appointment times. To schedule a time to move in, visit my.fiu.edu>Student Tools> Student Housing
  - Visit go.fiu.edu/movingin for more information

- **Expectations for living on campus this fall**
  - Face coverings
  - Physical distancing
  - Guest limitations
  - Limits to large gatherings
  - Virtual programs and activities
Occupancy and Room Requests

• All suites and apartments house no more than 4 residents who share in-unit bathrooms and common areas.

• This creates pods of students – much like a family at home – who will live together, protect each other.

• Students should let staff know immediately if there are any concerns in their apartment or suite.

• Students may request transfers to a private bedroom unit, and we will grant the transfer based on availability.
We strongly encourage students to test for COVID-19 and self quarantine prior to arriving.

Testing is available to students for free at the Fairgrounds next to MMC. You can make an appointment online.

If a student tests positive prior to arriving they must wait to move in until they are healthy and test negative. We will work with you on a delayed move-in.
Cancelling Housing Agreements

- MMC
  - Cancel without penalty due to classes going remote or concerns about COVID-19.
  - To cancel, send an email to housing@fiu.edu.
- BBC
  - Cancellation fee of $250.00 that can be applied to a Spring lease.
  - To cancel for Bayview, send an email to info@bayviewfiu.com.
Spring Housing Availability

• FIU Housing expects to have enough openings in the spring to offer housing to anyone who cancelled for fall.

• Spring agreements will be open for MMC housing on October 1, 2020.

• Spring leases for Bayview are already open.

• We look forward to welcoming even more students back to campus in spring.
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Student Life will be back this fall....VIRTUALLY!
Week of Welcome, Club Fair, Fraternity/Sorority Recruitment, and, yes, Homecoming will be done Virtually.
Other programs to look for:
  - Roarthon, Relay for Life, SGA Council meetings, Life Skills Series Workshops, DC Fly-In, BSU State of the Union, Open Mic Night, and our Panthers Connect Challenge is back.
Note: Student Organization registration will be open August 1.
Select campus events will have an in-person component.
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STUDENT CENTERS OPERATIONS

FACILITY PREPARATIONS
• Additional touchless hand sanitizer stations
• Closed water fountains: bottle refill only
• Added physical distancing markers/decals
• Added acrylic shields for face-to-face services

KEY PHYSICAL DISTANCING AREAS
• Food courts
• Study spaces

CLEANING FREQUENCY
Using EPA-approved disinfectants, each area will be cleaned nightly with an electrostatic fogger
• High-Touch Points (door handles, elevator buttons, etc.)
  – Continually throughout the day
• Restrooms – Continually throughout the day
• Food Court - After each patron use

DO:
• Study individually
• Enjoy a snack or meal
• Host small events
• Enjoy the game room and computer lab

DON'T:
• Study in groups
• Gather in groups or clusters of friends
• Host tabling sessions

DISINFECTING
STUDENT CENTERS
EVENT PROTOCOL

Virtual/hybrid events are highly encouraged. The unions offer support services for virtual events.

EVENTS THAT MUST TAKE PLACE IN PERSON SHOULD:

• Be centered around and support student success

• Email protocolevents@fiu.edu at least 2 weeks before event date for approval

• Be limited to less than 50% of the room’s maximum occupancy. Refer to reservespace.fiu.edu for room capacities

• Follow physical distancing policies

• Have proper Panthers Protecting Panthers signage
GRAHAM CENTER (MMC) DINING CHANGES

shop FIU Construction Projects

Refreshes:

- Updated look
- New furniture
- Custom mural/artwork

Visit shop.fiu.edu for in progress pictures and renderings of all dining service projects.
WOLFE UNIVERSITY CENTER (BBC)
DINING CHANGES

New locations:

Located in Roarys Bay Café. Includes an innovative kiosk ordering system along with Grubhub mobile ordering.

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WELLNESS AND RECREATION CENTER

In person:
• Contactless check-in
• New outdoor programs
• Increased cleaning and disinfecting protocols
• New equipment spacing

Virtual Programming:
• Go.fiu.edu/virtualwrc
• PantherFIT TV
• E-Sports
• Zoom Fitness classes
• Virtual Personal Training
• Virtual Athletic Training
• TRAC Workshops
Student Health & Wellness FAQ

• When will student health insurance plans become available? No later than Monday.

• Will Counseling & Psychological Services (CAPS) and Victim Empowerment Program (VEP) be providing in-person services during the Fall? Yes; however, the majority of appointments will still be via telehealth. Accommodations can be made for those that do not have a private space to have a session.

• How will mask wearing and social distancing be enforced? While continuous education will be our priority, Student Conduct & Academic Integrity (SCAI) will have the ability to charge students with a violation of the Student Honor Code through an escalation process.

• Will the Panthers Protecting Panthers (P3) app be mandatory for all students? Yes; anytime you need to be on campus (e.g., class, work, library, other services). This will launch in the coming days.

• Will there be mandatory training for students? Yes; employees and students will be required to complete the Panthers Protecting Panthers module prior to returning to campus. This will launch in the coming days.

• Where can I find more information regarding services for the Fall? There are four ways to stay in the know: (1) Follow our social media accounts (2) Check out FIU’s virtual calendar (3) Read through your monthly Student Health & Wellness Resource Guide (4) Continuously check the Coronavirus FAQ page