

University of St. Augustine for Health Sciences 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 <u>reentry @usa.edu</u> or contact your local campus Human Resources partner (faculty and staff) or academic program director (students) directly. Please refer to the <u>Campus Reentry page</u> for updated, detailed policies and procedures.

VACCINATION

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

Effective September 12, 2022, the University of St. Augustine for Health Sciences (USAHS) is no longer requiring proof of voluntary COVID-19 vaccination nor a negative COVID-19 test for campus entry. The University continues to encourage vaccination.

All students, faculty, staff and visitors are still required to complete the USAHS Health Screen form each day they plan to come to campus. Only students, faculty, staff and approved visitors who are cleared on the Daily Health Screen form may access campus.

Q: Why should I get vaccinated?

Vaccination can protect you from getting ill and from spreading the COVID-19 virus to others.

- Benefits of Getting Vaccinated
- Preparing for Your COVID-19 Vaccination
- Finding a vaccine provider

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 requirement. Clinical placements and experiences may be at risk for those students who are not fully vaccinated against COVID-19.

COVID-19 TESTING

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

Effective September 12, 2022, USAHS is no longer requiring proof of voluntary COVID-19 vaccination nor a negative COVID-19 test for campus entry. All students, faculty, staff and visitors are still required to complete the USAHS Health Screen form each day they plan to come to campus. Only students, faculty, staff and approved visitors who are cleared on the Daily Health Screen form may access campus.

HEALTH SCREEN FORM, QR CODES AND WRIST BANDS

Q: Is the USAHS Health Screen form required?

Yes! The <u>daily health screening</u> must be completed <u>each time</u> you come to campus, <u>prior</u> to coming to campus. Read and answer the questions carefully, and have your QR codes ready to scan upon entry.

Q: How do I access the mandatory Daily Health Screen form?

Students, faculty and staff access the mandatory USAHS Health Screen form at https://reentry2.usa.edu/.

Visitors (limited to those on official University business or who support the USAHS academic purpose) can access the mandatory USAHS Health Screen form at https://visitor.usa.edu/.

Q: To what extent will the Daily Health Screen be enforced?

There will be no tolerance for noncompliance or for any individuals who falsify information on the form. Employees, vendors and visitors who fail to comply will be contacted by the University, and their supervisor and Human Resources will be notified. Students will be referred to the Professional Misconduct Committee.

Q: Do I have to scan in/out once on campus?

Yes! It is important that you scan your health screening QR code as soon as you arrive on campus at the designated campus entry kiosk, so you can receive your color-coded wrist band to wear that day. It is also critical that you scan out when you leave campus at the end of the day at the nearest kiosk. Scanning in/out keeps our entire campus community safe and ensures our Security and Reentry teams know who is on campus in case of emergency or an illness outbreak where contact tracing would be needed.

Q: Are the wrist bands necessary?

Yes! Once you successfully scan your QR code with an approval to enter campus, you are required to wear the color-coded wrist band throughout your stay on campus that day. These bands **must be visible** and **worn around your wrist**. Security and University leadership will be closely monitoring campus activity, including the Daily Health Screen forms, colored wrist bands and QR code scanning.

MASKS, HEALTH PROTOCOLS & CAMPUS OPERATIONS

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

The use of face masks is **optional** in <u>all</u> campus facilities, except as noted for 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.

*Upon clearance to reenter campus by the USAHS Reentry Team, if you have had a positive diagnosis or exposure to COVID-19, you will receive direction concerning temporary face mask requirements.

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

The University of St. Augustine for Health Sciences maintains its health and safety protocols, including enhanced cleaning procedures and required health screenings to access campus. In addition, USAHS will continue hygiene protocols, including handwashing and sanitizing. Please refer to the Campus Reentry page for updated, detailed policies and procedures.

Q: Does USAHS allow visitors? What about my spouse/parent/significant other visiting me on campus?

Visitors will continue to be limited to those on official University business or who support USAHS' academic purpose. Prospective students can sign up to join a hosted campus tour through the "book in person tour" button on the <u>campus page on usa.edu</u>.

STUDENT ATTENDANCE POLICY

Q: If I do not clear campus reentry, is my absence from class excused?

Absence from class is **excused** if a student cannot enter campus due to COVID-19 or other illness. Faculty will work with students to cover missed material. Students will be subject to further screening by the contact tracing team to determine potential risk to the campus community.