

Face Coverings while on Campus--DRAFT

Until further notice, the University of Houston-Downtown **requires** face coverings for all students and employees while on campus, in the following areas:

- Indoor public areas on campus, except where marked, even if you are alone. This includes all
 non-private indoor campus work spaces, such as lobbies, restrooms, classrooms, teaching
 and research laboratories, hallways, conference rooms, and break rooms; and
- Outdoor spaces where six feet or more of physical distancing is difficult to reliably maintain.

Face coverings are **not required** in the following limited circumstances:

- When working alone in a single office
- When engaging in physical activity outside
- When doing so poses a greater mental or physical health, safety or security risk
- While operating outdoor equipment if not appropriate from a safety standpoint
- When consuming food or drink
- When engaging in personal hygiene activities

Exceptions will also be made for those individuals who, due to a specific medical condition, cannot wear a face covering and have received an accommodation. Requests for an exception due to a medical condition for students will be handled by the Office of the Dean of Students and requests for employees will be handled by ESO's Benefits Department.

This guidance is directed to all who are visiting campus, including contractors and visitors (10 years of age or older).

NOTE: As with all the guidance and protocols related to COVID-19, the University will adjust its guidance as necessary to reflect new information and findings.

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