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**UoH GUIDELINES FOR STUDENTS ON PHASE WISE RETURN TO THE CAMPUS
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The Task Force had conducted an online survey of students, faculty and staff on their vaccination status in July/ August 2021. It also reviewed the pandemic situation in the country and has noted that the situation in about 10 states continues to be worrisome. The emergence of the Delta variant of the Corona virus is also cause for concern. **The TF has already recommended the return of all M.Phil. (including 2020 admitted) and all Ph.D. students (excluding 2020 admitted Social Sciences, Humanities, Economics, Sarojini Naidu School of Arts and Communication and Management).**

- After a careful review of the pandemic situation in the country, the Task Force has recommended the return of 2020 batch students who have practice/ lab-based courses/clinical internship to the university. It has recommended that students belonging to programmes in the Science schools and the Sarojini Naidu School of Arts and Communication return to the university in a phased manner. This means that students of Integrated programmes, M.Tech. (including integrated) programmes will also be allowed to return to the campus in a phased manner. **Kindly note that your return is still not mandatory. You may exercise your option of not returning to the campus. Please inform your unit head accordingly.**
- Departments belonging to Science schools and S N School of Arts & Communication will send an undertaking to their students and ascertain their vaccination status before forwarding the list of students to the Chief Warden's office.
- The TF has recommended as follows:

Vaccination status	Will be required to
Partially vaccinated students (vaccinated at least once)	Provide vaccination certificate and RT-PCR negative certificate (within 72 hrs of arrival) while entering the campus
Fully vaccinated students	Provide vaccination certificates of both vaccinations. RT-PCR certificate is optional
Not vaccinated	Wait until they vaccinate themselves
Those Students/Scholars who had Covid-19	Present your RT-PCR test showing you were positive with Covid 19 and subsequently RT-PCR negative if repeated. A time period of 10 weeks should have elapsed after recovery - repeat test - negative status or clinically asymptomatic - No need of Vaccination but RT-PCR test negative result report is mandatory -

	within 72 hours of return date.
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- Heads/ Deans of the said schools shall pass on a list of students who meet the above requirements to the Chief Warden's Office through the Task Force. **Students are advised not to send their requests directly to the Task Force.**
- The Chief Warden's Office shall send a google form to all such students asking them to provide information on their arrival date etc. The hostel undertaking is another mandatory requirement which is different from the general undertaking at the unit level. Both must be executed.
- Students arriving on the campus shall be required to go through a minimum three-day isolation period before they move into their respective hostel rooms. This regulation may change based on directives to be received from state and central governments from time to time.
- The Chief Warden's Office shall provide hostel admission where required as per extant rules and regulations.

STUDENTS WILL BE REQUIRED TO ADHERE TO THE FOLLOWING:

- Arrange for your own masks, sanitizer, face shields, gloves. etc.
- Adhere to COVID-19 behaviour at all times (wear masks, sanitize themselves regularly, wash hands regularly, strictly avoid gatherings etc)
- Since students may be coming from various states, they shall remain in an isolation facility and self-monitor their health even in their hostels/ attend classes or as required by current guidelines.
- Screening of every hostel resident needs to be done before they start staying at the hostel. Only asymptomatic hostel residents shall be allowed to return to their hostel. Symptomatic boarders shall be isolated in the designated isolation facility till such time they are examined and cleared by a doctor/university Health Centre. All students having pre-existing health conditions such as diabetes, hypertension, asthma, seizures, malignancies etc. should inform the same in the undertaking and list treatment being taken and latest reports if any. Also mention the name and address of the consulting doctor.
- It is further advised that arrival for the first time into the campus from outstation locations be between 9.00am and 5:00pm in order to facilitate these processes.
- All other protocols existing for residents already in the campus shall apply.
- Students are advised to adhere to [these protocols](#) if they sense symptoms of ill-health.

CLASSES & PRACTICE/ LAB COURSES:

- All classes will continue to be administered online in synchronous/ asynchronous mode until further orders.
- Course instructors will continue to provide access to their lecture videos, reading material etc. in asynchronous mode.
- Practice/ Lab courses will be conducted in labs and in spaces that accommodate for physical distancing. However, the department may continue to administer lab courses online.
- Academic units / Faculty members conducting practice/ lab courses shall ensure COVID-19 appropriate behaviour at all times. Such courses may be conducted in a staggered manner to accommodate fewer students.

- Students/scholars and all university stakeholders should install the Aarogya Setu app and continue to monitor their safety at repeated intervals in a day or as requested by a university nodal official.

TEACHING & EVALUATION:

- Teaching shall continue online until further orders. Although students will be on the campus, departments are advised to conduct physical classes only when classrooms can accommodate students with SoPs including social distancing, masking, sanitising etc. Where this is not possible, students may access the online classes from the comfort of their hostel accommodation.
- Course instructors are advised not to insist on mandatory attendance for synchronous classes.
- The [Guidelines](#) issued earlier may please be followed to allow for learning in chunks.
- The Task Force has recommended that all academic units follow the 50:50 formula for evaluation. While the first 50 per cent shall focus on internal assessments, the remaining 50 per cent shall be allocated for an end-semester evaluation while not putting too much emphasis on one single evaluation process. Even the end-semester evaluation may be split into two smaller assignments. The academic units have the flexibility to organise the assessments and end term examination as per their internal convenience but should adhere to the 50:50 pattern in vogue.
- Course instructors are advised to adopt different modes of continuous assessment for 50 per cent including online quizzes, presentations etc. The difference between an evaluated assignment and an exercise may be made clear to the students.
- It is requested that faculty be flexible in their administration of tests and exams, which should preferably be conducted asynchronously and with some additional time allotted for students to submit. Live examinations may please be avoided. Differently-abled students should also be kept in mind while administering such tests/exams.
- Course instructors are advised to adopt a flexible approach on submission deadlines considering that some students may have connectivity issues.
- Heads and Deans may also consider coordinating the calendar within their respective academic units so that the students' exams and assignments are all not stacked up around the same period. It is better if they are phased out so that the students' do not feel the stress.

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