

# COVID – 19 Policy, Guidelines, and Resources: Updated September 2023

Woodbury University continues to update its pandemic response plan to reflect current COVID-19 circumstances and prioritize the well-being of the University community. The University guidelines align with those of the <u>Los Angeles</u> County Department of Public Health

#### **COVID-19 & Influenza Vaccination**

All faculty, staff, students, and visitors are not required to show proof of COVID-19 or Influenza vaccination. While not requiring vaccination, we encourage voluntary participation and provide resources available for anyone interested.

# Testing Positive for COVID-19, Isolation Guidelines & Return to campus:

ALL community members – (This includes all faculty, staff, and students) who experience symptoms of COVID-19 or test positive must complete the Woodbury Covid Screening Form: https://forms.office.com/r/CbgpcWP8zP AND contact the Health Center at healthcenter@woodbury.edu.

### **On-Campus COVID-19 Testing:**

Rapid antigen tests are available at the Health Center for those who are experiencing symptoms.

#### **Preventive Measures:**

Woodbury University focuses on preventive measures following CDC and local county guidelines, here are some of the key steps we are taking to prevent the spread of the virus on campus:

- Mask Recommendations: we highly recommend (not require) wearing a mask in indoor spaces, especially in classrooms, lecture halls, and common areas where physical distancing may be challenging. Follow CDC guidelines regarding mask types and proper usage.
- Physical Distancing: due to our small number of students to faculty ratio (8-1), in most of our classrooms, physical distancing is available, and a spaced seating arrangement is recommended, if at all possible.
- Hand Hygiene: we promote frequent handwashing and provide hand sanitizing stations throughout the campus, particularly in high-traffic areas.
- Enhanced Cleaning and Disinfection: we have increased frequency of cleaning and disinfection in high touch aeras such as doorknobs, handrails, and restroom facilities, utilizing CDC-recommended cleaning products and procedures.
- Remote Learning and Work: we encourage all faculty, staff, and students to stay home when having symptoms to reduce the spread.
- Health and Safety Communications: we encourage all faculty, staff, and students to review the guidelines of
  preventive measures and on-going communication about COVID-19 and the importance of staying home when
  feeling unwell.
- Student Housing: we have implemented quarantine spaces for housing students who may test positive to reduce the spread. In addition, we have increased the cleaning in all housing communal spaces.
- Monitoring and Adjustments: we continue to monitor the COVID-19 situation on campus and in the surrounding community. We are prepared to adjust the policies as the situation evolves.

Woodbury University works closely with local health authorities and follows CDC guidelines to ensure that our university's policies align with the most up-to-date recommendations for preventing the spread of COVID-19. Additionally, we are committed to provide open communication with students, faculty, and staff to keep everyone informed and engaged in these preventive efforts.