Panthers Protecting Panthers

A university-wide campaign – Panthers Protecting Panthers – will be used to educate and inform our university community of our “new normal.” Information on new rules throughout campus will be disseminated via email, informational videos and signage throughout campus.

Central to our Healthy Campus Environment will be our screening app with the same name – Panthers Protecting Panthers app – which will have a questionnaire to be filled out prior to arriving to campus by all students, faculty and staff.

While on campus (and in accordance with CDC guidelines), all faculty, staff, students and visitors will be required to:

- Wear a facial covering (faculty, staff and students will be provided with reusable facial coverings)
- Adhere to physical distancing policies
- Engage in frequent hand washing and sanitizing

Additionally, changes made around campus include:

- Addition of plexiglass in high density customer interaction areas
- The reconfiguration of our classroom and public spaces to allow for physical distancing
- Frequent cleaning of high touch areas
We are our community

Over 50,000 of our faculty, staff and students live in either Miami-Dade County or Broward County. Any breakdown in the enforcing of CDC, state and local guidelines is a risk for our FIU.

Our Panthers Protecting Panthers campaign will extend into our community with resources being made available to all those who need it.

We will work with our local governments to ensure that we are promoting and sharing their guidelines as well.
• Testing will be available to anyone experiencing symptoms or with known-contact with a positive case

• Testing will also be made available for:
  o Healthcare faculty, staff and students
  o Researchers working with human subjects
  o Housing populations
  o High-density groups (i.e. student athletes, spirit groups, band, etc.)

• We will establish a baseline before a widespread return to campus

• FIU is in pursuit of a Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments (CLIA) certification for two labs to allow for in-house testing
• Contact tracing will be conducted by the COVID-19 Prevention and Response Team

• After interviewing employees and students who test positive for COVID-19, team will contact their close campus contacts to advise them to test and quarantine themselves as well. Facilities will be directed to clean and disinfect any affected building

• FIU will have a web-based COVID-19 Surveillance Dashboard will which have university and community surveillance data

• Epidemiologist on the COVID-19 Prevention and Response Team will monitor trends of cases on FIU’s campuses and our community

• Student housing has been set aside to isolate any positive cases and plans for support services for those students are in place
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Academic Program Delivery

Modes of Delivery
Face-to-face
Certified Hybrid
Approved Synchronous Remote
Quality Designed Fully Online

All delivery modes will be encouraged to use Canvas for course content and assignments to allow for a quick switch to remote should it be needed.

Decreased classroom capacity and availability due to physical distancing policies means we can only offer about 1/3 of our courses face to face. Priority will be given to:
• Courses with no reasonable form of online instruction
• Courses which cannot be deferred to another term
• Introductory classes
• Gateway courses
• Classes with high FTIC enrollment

FIU Classroom setup for 6-foot physical distancing