Prioritize the health and well-being of our faculty, staff, students, visitors and vendors

- Face coverings will be required in all university buildings, and building capacity (excluding classrooms, labs and health care services) will be limited to 30% during initial repopulation and increased to 50% as fall approaches.
- Managers and supervisors will be flexible, allowing employees to continue remote work to address at-risk needs or where productivity can be maintained from home.
- Enhanced cleanings and disinfection will occur across campus with increased frequency in common and high-touch point areas, consistent with CDC guidance.
- Housing and bed capacity will shift from full to reduced occupancy of 93% with 52 rooms reserved for isolation or quarantine.
- A hybrid strategy for fall events and activities will offer virtual participation options, limit frequency and size of face-to-face interactions, and leverage alternatives (e.g. outdoors spaces) to promote physical distancing.
- Student-athlete participation in organized activities, as well as the return of spectators, will depend on state and local guidance, as well as plans from the American Athletic Conference.
- Prior to returning to campus, everyone will be required to complete training to understand our university’s new emergency policy and preventative health measures.
Commit to a compassionate culture that starts with personal behavior and responsibility

- Our planning included a partnership with the Florida Department of Health at Orange County.
- We worked closely with local partners, such as the Orange County Economic Recovery Task Force, and shared strategies with Disney, Universal, Lockheed Martin and others as part of a collaborative approach.
- UCF’s health measures requiring facial coverings and physical distancing were shared with managed housing communities and other local apartment complexes to encourage similar approaches.
- Signage in high-traffic areas across campus will encourage our community to “Armor Up.”
- A robust communication campaign will further educate the university community on required health measures, our shared responsibility and the consequences for non-compliance.
- UCF will continue to serve as an “Influenza Sentinel” for the state and support other prevention and mitigation strategies developed by the Florida Department of Health.
University of Central Florida
COVID-19 Virus Testing

Adhere to the best scientific evidence with the goal of maximizing well-being

✔ UCF will conduct population screening to help identify persons who may be unaware of their illness with a targeted testing approach focused on cohort and closed populations:
  • All students returning to university-owned housing
  • All students and staff residing in Greek housing
  • All student-athletes, whether living on or off campus
  • All symptomatic students

✔ UCF has partnered with AVENTUS BioLabs to make COVID-19 testing readily available at its main campus and Lake Nona health sciences campus.

✔ Data will be leveraged to estimate the prevalence of COVID-19.

✔ We will continue our partnership with area health organizations to monitor the capacity of the local health care system.

✔ UCF developed an application for daily education and screening to prioritize individuals who warrant testing.

✔ UCF will continue to collaborate with other SUS institutions and provide support as needed.
Partner with the Florida Department of Health and leverage data to predict “hotspots”

- In partnership with the Florida Department of Health, a volunteer contact-tracing program will be staffed by UCF student volunteers.
- UCF will coordinate its public health response with the Florida Department of Health to identify potential “hotspots” on campus and mitigate risk in those areas, which may lead to tighter social distancing and behavioral restrictions.
- Metrics such as new infections, symptom surveillance, randomized testing or targeted population screening will be used to monitor rates of infection.
- UCF will publish a dashboard to communicate positive case numbers on campus.
- Protocols have been put in place for presumptive or actual positive cases, including sanitizing and general cleaning aligned with the university's illness response matrix, reserving dedicated spaces for isolation or quarantine of housing residents, meal delivery, assistance with academic accommodations and other needs.
Provide the highest-quality education in every modality and flexibility for students

- UCF will leverage its national reputation for excellence in online learning and faculty development to train additional faculty to effectively deliver academic programs in every modality.
- UCF will creatively deliver its academic experience via alternative instructional formats and a combination of face-to-face, hybrid and online delivery modes.
- Academic and college leaders categorized fall course offerings based on class characteristics to determine the priority for face-to-face instruction.
- All faculty are encouraged to plan courses so that students who fall ill or become quarantined will be able to continue in classes.
- Consistent with university principles and measures, faculty and students at elevated risk are encouraged to continue remote instruction and learning.
- Classroom capacity has been modified to support physical distancing, and courses that do not fit within available space will be taught remotely.
- UCF will transition to remote instruction after Thanksgiving break.