

Sonoran University Campus Infectious Illness Safety Levels

IMPORTANT: The following chart is used for planning purposes only and acts as general guidance for Sonoran University's Infectious Illness Safety Taskforce. All operational changes due to a shift in Safety Levels must be discussed and decided on by the Infectious Illness Safety Taskforce. A shift in Safety Levels must be able to be maintained for a substantial amount of time to minimize the need for on-going changes and to set expectations for all community members. Please note, Sonoran University is following the CDC recommendations for healthcare providers. **Last updated Sept. 30, 2023. Adapted from https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#maps_new-admissions-rate-county**

		Safety Level Green	Safety Level Yellow	Safety Level Orange	Safety Level Red
Guidance to Infectious Illness Taskforce	On-Campus Students & Employees	Minimal number of infectious illness cases AND NO evidence of on-campus transmission.	Minimal number of infectious illness cases AND minimal evidence of on-campus transmission.	Moderate number of infectious illness cases and/or evidence of on campus transmission.	Significant number of infectious illness cases or evidence of on campus transmission.
	Community Transmission Level (CDC)	Low	Medium	Substantial	High
	Infectious Illness Precautions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Isolation/quarantine for symptomatic AND/OR positive testing Exposure without symptoms requires N95 masking until the timeline for developing illness passes. Campus facilities open with no restrictions. Surveillance testing not required 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Surgical or N95 masks required in all clinical spaces. Isolation/quarantine for symptomatic exposure AND/OR positive testing Campus facilities open with no restrictions. Exposure without symptoms requires N95 masking until the timeline for developing illness passes. Surveillance testing not required 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Surgical or N95 Masks required in all campus spaces. Isolation/quarantine for symptomatic exposure AND/OR positive testing The campus is open with no restrictions for courses. Gatherings and any non-essential on-campus access restricted. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Surgical or N95 Masks required in all campus spaces. Surveillance testing required for all on-campus attendance. Isolation/quarantine for symptomatic exposure AND/OR positive testing Campus access is restricted to only essential courses, labs, patient care and other operations.

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Guidance to Infectious Illness Taskforce	Campus - Safety Precautions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vaccination and testing policies enforced. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vaccination and testing policies enforced. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vaccination and testing policies enforced. Masking enforced in places Physical distancing recommended. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vaccination and testing policies enforced. Physical distancing strictly enforced.
	Campus - Spaces and Facilities	<p><i>Sonoran University</i> is open and following pre-pandemic capacity guidelines.</p>	<p><i>Sonoran University</i> is open to the public with select restrictions per public health guidance.</p> <p>Campus resources for students available on a limited basis to students in compliance with the vaccination/testing protocols, who are adhering to safety protocols.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Outdoor areas accessible for groups of 4+ with social distancing and masking employed. LC study pods for single person use. AB and LC buildings in-person study spaces open for up to 2 people per room. Gym and yoga room open for 3-4 people at a time. 	<p><i>Sonoran University</i> may be open to the public in some areas, with restrictions.</p> <p>Campus resources for students available on a limited basis to students in compliance with the vaccination/testing protocols, who are adhering to safety protocols.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Outdoor areas accessible for groups of 3-4 with social distancing and masking employed. LC study pods for single person use with advance reservation. AB and LC buildings in-person study spaces open for up to 2 people per room. Gym and yoga room open for 1-2 people at a time. 	<p><i>Sonoran University</i> is not open to the public.</p> <p>Employees on campus on a limited basis.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Outdoor areas accessible for groups of 2-3 with social distancing and masking employed. LC study pods for single person use with advance reservation. AB and LC buildings in-person study spaces open for one person per room. Gym and yoga room open for one person at a time with advance reservation.

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	Patient Care	On-ground clinic shifts delivered in-person.	Clinic shifts delivered in hybrid fashion, with limited virtual participation.	Clinic shifts delivered in hybrid fashion, with limited in-person participation.	Clinic shifts delivered in hybrid fashion, with limited in-person participation.
	Employees	Office and lab interaction restrictions are lifted.	Office and lab interactions are restricted in select areas.	Offices and labs are under strict protocols for interactions with others. Employees on campus on a limited basis.	Offices and labs are under strict protocols for interactions with others. Employees should work remotely, if possible.
	Events* and gatherings (3 or more people)	Event plans do not have to be reviewed by Infectious Illness Safety Taskforce.	In-person activities must adhere to all safety protocols including vaccination/testing policies, and masking.	In-person activities are limited to those critical to the <i>Sonoran University</i> mission. All other activities may be held online. In-person activities must be approved according to <i>Sonoran University</i> Event approval process.	Virtual-only activities; events and gatherings canceled/postponed.
	Travel (University funded)	Travel is not restricted.	Travel is conducted following on-campus safety guidelines.	Travel is limited to mission essential following on-campus safety guidelines.	Travel is limited to mission essential following on-campus safety guidelines.

**Events hosted by Sonoran University or in Sonoran University facilities are subject to event approvals. Events capacities that exceed what is listed above must go through the event approval process.*

Guidelines for All Safety Levels

- Please check Sonoran University's Infectious Illness FAQs frequently for updates.
- Individuals should stay at home when symptomatic.
- Individuals will self-isolate for 5 days after testing positive for an infectious illness.

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- A negative test is required for return to campus after confirmed COVID-19 infection or exposure.
- Asymptomatic individuals will wear an N95 mask on campus for 5 days after exposure to a confirmed communicable illness.
- Regularly clean high-touch surfaces (e.g., door handles, counters, light switches, remote controls, restroom surfaces).
- Wash your hands often and use hand sanitizer.
- Do not touch your face or mask.
- Wear a face covering in accordance with Sonoran University Campus Masking Protocols.
- High-risk individuals should take extra precautions at all safety levels.

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