COVID-19: CLASSROOM TEACHING SAFETY PLAN

Although in-person teaching has been minimized wherever possible, there are some instances where in-person classroom activities will take place on campus in bookable classrooms.

This plan identifies the measures that have been put in place, and the expectations of instructors and students to follow, in order to reduce the risk of COVID-19 within classroom teaching environments.

Health Screening:

As outlined in the UBC COVID-19 Campus Rules: *All students, faculty, staff, and others must assess themselves daily for COVID-19 symptoms prior to engaging in in-person UBC activities on UBC Premises. A list of COVID-19 symptoms can be found here.*

Physical Distancing:

All classrooms have been rearranged to provide an environment that allows for physical distancing (a minimum of 2 metre spacing between seats) between all occupants (per posted occupancies). These revised occupancies have been identified based upon furniture configurations and physical distancing parameters. **Users of classrooms shall not move or rearrange furniture.**

Faculty, staff, students will enter and leave academic teachings spaces in single file maintaining 2 metres physical distance requirements.

Cleaning and Hygiene:

Facilities management will provide enhanced class room cleaning between all scheduled classes (classes are not being scheduled back to back). It is recommended that all learners, staff and faculty wash their hands with soap and warm water for 30 seconds before and after leaving an academic learning space, or make use of nearby hand sanitizer stations. In addition, there will be a 'cleaning station' positioned within each classroom space to allow for supplementary cleaning of high touch surfaces and hand sanitization by occupants (paper towel, cleaner, hand sanitizer, use instructions).

Face Coverings / Non-Medical Masks:

Masks must be worn by all members of the campus community as outlined in the UBC COVID-19 Campus Rules:

- When travelling through building corridors and shared spaces
- While entering or exiting classrooms
- Within classrooms while moving to their seat, or at any other time that 2m physical distancing cannot be maintained

Classrooms capacities have been reduced so that designated seats are 2m apart. Therefore, while in classrooms, students and other classroom users have the option to remove their masks where the physical distancing requirement is met.

- Students are not required to wear a mask in classrooms when seated in designated seats
- Faculty and instructors are not required to wear a mask in classrooms while physically distanced (2m) from students and other classroom users

Please be respectful to those that are unable to wear a non-medical mask.

> *NOTE: If a face mask is removed while in a classroom, users should store their masks safely and not on public surfaces.*

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