



Campus Safety
office of auxiliary operations

Dear Campus Community,

As of March 27th, there are no confirmed cases of COVID-19 at SCU. To date there are 1465 confirmed cases in LA County (including Long Beach and Pasadena), and 321 in Orange County. The most current information regarding COVID-19 (novel coronavirus), including past emails/updates can be located on our web page.

Message from the COVID-19 Response Team

Our team continues to monitor the situation and the University continues to take substantive action to ensure the safety and strength of our community. The guidance to this point remains current, however there have been changes made to Los Angeles County Health Orders, as well as University Registration and Student Services (below).

IMPORTANT LA COUNTY HEALTH ORDER

On March 25th, the Los Angeles County Public Health Department issued a Press Release stating the following:

Individuals who test positive for COVID-19, and those who are told by a clinician they are presumed to be positive for COVID-19 are required to self-isolate. This means staying home until at least 7 days have passed after the symptoms first appeared AND at least 3 days after recovery. Recovery means that the fever is gone for 72 hours without the use of fever-reducing medications and respiratory symptoms (e.g. cough, shortness of breath) have improved.

Additionally, those who have been in close contact with someone who is positive or presumed positive must quarantine themselves for 14 days from their last exposure to that person, or 14 days after the end of the positive person's self-isolation period as described above.

The full Press Release can be viewed [HERE](#) and an FAQ regarding home quarantine guidance can be found [HERE](#).

Class Registration

Registration for graduate programs for Summer trimester should occur in week 13. Additional information regarding dates, times, and scheduling priority for DC Selectives will follow in a later update. The Summer and Fall trimester schedules are being developed together to support maximum flexibility under current circumstances and to facilitate students' continued progress towards graduation. Registration for Accelerated Science courses is open and ongoing. Students are encouraged to continue taking their classes without interruption.

Classes

Because of the campus closure, **all courses in all programs are online through at least April. Students will not be required to return to campus for this trimester/term.** Programs will provide separate communication at a later date regarding when on-ground instruction will resume. Supporting student progress towards graduation remains a top priority for the University

Quizzes and Exams, Including Final Exams

The University has purchased remote proctoring software: Proctorio. Faculty training on the software occurred on 3/27. For remote proctoring to be successful in these exceptional circumstances, students will need access to any device that allows Google Chrome extensions (a laptop with camera, Surface Pro, or desktop computer with a webcam), internet access, and Google Chrome. Note: unfortunately, iPads do not function with remote proctoring software. However, this solution will allow us to facilitate remote exams, ensure academic integrity, and support students in continued progress towards graduation. Additional training and information for students will be provided shortly within Canvas.

Student Services

Below is information regarding Counseling/Wellness services for students:

- Dr. Marc Bock is available as a psychological consultant to the SCU community by calling his office in Huntington Beach, Monday through Friday. The phone number is 714-847-5350.
- Biola Counseling Center <http://www.biolacounselingcenter.org/> or call at 562-903-4800 and share that you are feeling specifically impacted by COVID-19.

- Southern California Counseling Center provides comprehensive counseling services at rates based on your ability to pay. Please call 323-937-1344 to schedule an appointment or click here: <https://www.sccc-la.org/>
- After hours or on weekends, you can: 1) Call LinesForLife at 1-800-273-8255, 2) Call the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline at 1-800-273-TALK (8255), 3) Text the Crisis Text HOME to 741-741.

Anti-Discrimination

It is important to remember that viruses can affect anyone. SCU students and employees represent a variety of nationalities, races, and ethnicities and we actively resist any xenophobia and embrace diversity as a guiding principle. We share our common humanity as we face this situation with grit and determination as an SCU community. Any incidents of harassment should immediately be reported to Campus Safety (562-902-3333 or CampusSafety@scuhs.edu)

How to Stay Safe

In order to limit the spread of respiratory viruses and maintain good health generally, please follow the advice below:

- Clean your hands frequently with soap and water (washing for at least 20 seconds) or alcohol-based sanitizer (at least 60% alcohol). Hand washing is crucial, particularly before eating or any activity that involves touching your face.
- Cough into your sleeve (the crook of your elbow) or a tissue, not into your hands. Dispose of the tissue in the trash.
- Stay home when you are sick; if you have had a fever, avoid others until you are fever-free for 72 hours without fever-reducing medication. *See additional information about absence due to illness below.*
- Limit close contact with those who are sick.
- Clean frequently touched surfaces often.
- Make time for health-promoting activities, such as getting adequate rest (even during midterms and finals!), exercise/movement, mindfulness/joyful practices, and good nutrition. You also have acupuncture and traditional Chinese medicine, Ayurveda, chiropractic, services available to help you feel your best -- we will be offering services via telehealth starting on Monday, March 30.
- Public health authorities also recommend getting the flu shot.

We have increased the rigor of cleaning and sanitizing procedures in the University Health Center and Sports Medicine/Tactical Sports Medicine Clinic as well as in offices and classrooms campus wide. This includes disinfecting common surfaces such as keyboards, phones, tables, and surfaces more frequently.

Absences due to Illness

Public health authorities are encouraging everyone in California to be “safer at home.” Campus is closed. If illness impacts students, faculty, or staff, the following notification guidance applies:

Students who are sick should follow the normal absence procedure for their respective programs regarding notification of faculty and requests for absence waivers and exam “make ups.” *However, during this time of heightened public health concern, documentation from a health care provider will not be required.* **Faculty** who believe they note an unusual pattern of student absence in their courses should notify their Dean or Director.

Note: SCU is continuing to hold all classes online at their regularly scheduled times.

Employees who are sick should stay home (if still working on campus in an essential role) – and all should follow the normal notification process for their work area. **Faculty** and their supervisors are planning alternatives to offer courses should circumstances continue to impact course delivery.

Emergency Notification

Additionally, we would like to request that you update your Emergency Notification Profile, known to SCU as “Everbridge.”

While there is no current crisis concerning the spread of COVID-19 in our community, the situation is evolving rapidly and the ability to quickly communicate with our campus members is paramount.

Every campus community member currently has their scuhs.edu email address already registered by default; however, **it is highly recommended** to include additional methods of contact such as a cell phone number for both calls and SMS text.

What to do:

- o Login to MySCU
- o Click “Personal Info” [top right of page]
- o Click “Manage your emergency notification settings (Everbridge)”
- o Click “Edit” to input additional contact methods
- o Click “Save”

Additional Information

This reminder is being issued as a part of our continued efforts to improve our emergency preparedness, and not as a response to a threat or event. The Center for Disease Control (CDC) COVID-19 Situation Summary as of 03/26 can be found [HERE](#).

This CDC also publishes information for travel, including information about countries with elevated risk, which can be found [here](#).

In the meantime, if you have any questions, please visit the SCU COVID-19 page [HERE](#) or email us at CampusSafety@scuhs.edu