



Safety and Wellness Community Guide

Union Theological Seminary

As we prepare to welcome students, staff and faculty back to campus, everyone should please read and take to heart the following guidelines, intended to keep all members of our community safe and healthy. Community members are expected to practice the following health and hygiene measures while on campus, and follow these guidelines wherever you are. Our safety and health depend upon *all* of us observing best practices.

First and foremost, stay home if you are ill or not feeling well and consult your physician. Students who are not well should call Columbia Health at 212-854-7426 for a consultation. In addition:

1. Wear a face covering at all times, indoors and outdoors, unless you are alone in a room with a closed door.
2. Keep six feet apart (about 2 arms' length) from other people whenever possible, even if wearing a mask and even if walking outside. If you must pass someone in a hall, make as much space as possible and keep moving.
3. Do your part to sanitize high touch and shared surfaces after usage. Union will make disinfectant spray or wipes available in offices, bathrooms, kitchens, copy rooms.
4. Pay attention to signage on campus regarding use of public spaces and occupancy limits in elevators, bathrooms, and other common areas and practice social distancing at all times.
5. Use the ReopenCU smartphone app to check your symptoms and health status daily – always before entering the academic building.
6. Group meetings that can take place online should be conducted online.
7. Wash your hands, wash your hands, wash your hands.

Recommendations for safe practices in the residences:

- Students may agree to be home in shared spaces with apartment mates, without social distancing, but only if all agree to keep face coverings on at all other times.
- If you live alone, you can build community with a very small number of close friends, but remember, without everyone being careful, one person can unintentionally expose everyone else. It is always safer to maintain social distancing and wear masks.
- Guests outside of this small circle should not be invited over to socialize. If someone else needs to come into the apartment for any reason, wear masks and practice social distancing.

