



Preparing for Fall 2020
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Many of you have seen the news about the surge of COVID-19 cases in Arizona and have inquired about the implications for the University of Arizona's plans to return to campus for the Fall 2020 semester beginning on August 24. **We continue to plan to welcome students to campus**, with enhanced public health protections and a range of instructional offerings from fully in-person to fully online to suit individual students' needs and preferences.

We are monitoring the situation diligently and are preparing for a range of scenarios under the daily advisement of the university's Incident Response Team. We are planning now to be able to respond with great flexibility to the COVID-19 circumstances as they evolve. We will have flexible options for students to remain engaged with their classes in the event that they are unwell or may need to self-isolate for a period of time. And we will be ready to flexibly increase or decrease the amount of in-person interactions on campus, depending on the pandemic conditions as they evolve. Our intention is that all required labs, studio-based courses and clinical placements will be delivered in-person unless it becomes inadvisable to do so.

We appreciate the patience and support of our incredible university and Tucson community. The evolving situation makes it difficult to plan conclusively, and we recognize the frustration and stress that comes with that uncertainty. We are hopeful that the combined efforts of state and campus leadership will allow us to return as quickly and carefully as possible. Please know that every alternative under consideration places the well-being and academic success of our Wildcats at the forefront.

See <https://www.arizona.edu/coronavirus-covid-19-information> for additional University of Arizona COVID-19 details and updates.