



COVID-19 Vaccination Requirement FAQ | 4.8.21

Contact Information:

- These frequently asked questions are provided to assist team members responding to inquiries from students, parents/families, faculty and staff.
- Please direct media inquiries to Sarah Scalese at sescales@syr.edu or 857.225.5893. If you require further messaging assistance, contact Ellen de Graffenreid at efdegraf@syr.edu or 502.287.8994.
- Please direct parent/family inquiries to the [Office of Parent and Family Services](#).
- International students should be directed to the [Center for International Services](#): international@syr.edu or 315.443.2457.
- Graduate students should be directed to [the Graduate School](#): gradschool@syr.edu or 315.443.2543.
- For students with questions about disability-related concerns, visit disabilityresources.syr.edu or contact the Center for Disability Resources at disabilityresources@syr.edu or 315.443.4498.
- Faculty and staff with questions should reach out to their dean, department chair or immediate supervisor.
- If someone has questions beyond what's provided below, please take down their contact information and let them know someone will reach out to them to discuss further. Please direct these messages to Sarah Scalese or Ellen de Graffenreid who will identify the appropriate leader to respond.
- Detailed answers to other Frequently Asked Questions are available at <https://www.syracuse.edu/staysafe/frequently-asked-questions/>

Frequently Asked Questions:

Why is the University requiring a COVID-19 vaccination for all faculty, staff and students accessing campus?

Vaccination is the single most important step that we can all take to protect ourselves, loved ones, our campus and community from severe COVID-19 infection, hospitalization and death. A widely vaccinated community safeguards the health, wellness and safety of our students, faculty, staff and the surrounding community. Vaccination is a critical factor that will allow Syracuse University to return to more normal operations.

Who is required to be vaccinated?

The expectation is that the vast majority of our community will receive a vaccination. The only exception to this requirement will be for individuals who have a medical or religious exemption.

What vaccines will fulfill this requirement?

Any COVID-19 vaccine approved by the [United States Food and Drug Administration](#) will fulfill this requirement. [Learn More.](#)

Where can I get a vaccination?

Please visit <https://www.syracuse.edu/staysafe/get-vaccinated/> for the most up to date information on where you can obtain a COVID-19 vaccination.

What is the deadline to be vaccinated?

The vaccination requirement will go into effect on June 1 for all students, faculty and staff who access campus over the summer months. All new and returning students, as well as faculty and staff, will be required to be vaccinated prior to the fall 2021 semester.

I am not on campus this semester, but I plan to return in the fall, am I still required to get a vaccination?

The vaccination requirement will apply to all new and returning students, faculty and staff for the Fall 2021 semester.

I have already been vaccinated, how do I submit proof?

For students who have already been vaccinated or choose to be vaccinated at an off-campus location, please submit your documentation through the [Student Patient Portal](#).

For faculty and staff, consistent with the University's flu vaccination protocol, in the coming days you will receive and are expected to complete a brief COVID-19 Vaccine Status attestation questionnaire.

I am a student and I have a medical or religious exemption. How do I submit the medical or religious waiver?

- If you have already submitted a waiver for another vaccination, you do not need to take any further action. If you do not have a waiver form on file, you must upload the form and supporting documentation into the Patient Portal:
- Log in to the [Patient Portal](#) with your SU NetID and password.
- Select "Forms" from the main menu.
- Under Student Forms, select the "Medical-Religious Waiver" form to print the waiver to sign.
- Once you have signed the waiver and added required supporting documentation, select "Upload" on the home screen.
- Follow the upload instructions.
- In the drop-down section, select "Medical or Religious Waiver Form."
- Select the completed waiver file to upload.