



USM Vaccine Mandate Processes for International Students

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1. International Student Arrival to the USA

- a. International Students must quarantine for 7 days upon arrival to the USA. The last day for students to report is Tuesday, August 31st.
 - i. Arrivals will be monitored by the International Admissions team within the Office of Diversity and International Services.

2. International Student Arrival to Campus

- a. If vaccinated:
 - i. International students will follow standard process for submitting proof of vaccination by completing the [UBalt COVID-19 Proof of Vaccination Form](#).
 - ii. Each student will receive a letter from the Office of Student Support (OSS) confirming their submission and approval.
- b. If unvaccinated or partially vaccinated:
 - i. International students who have not yet been vaccinated will be allowed until November 2nd, 2021 to receive their final vaccination dose.
 1. If compliance is not reached by November 2nd, 2021, a registration hold will be placed on the international student's account.
 - ii. Within 14 days of their planned arrival to campus, unvaccinated and/or partially vaccinated international students must submit a negative COVID-19 test by completing the [UBalt COVID-19 Clearance Form](#).
 1. Until fully vaccinated, unvaccinated and/or partially vaccinated international students will need to submit a negative COVID-19 test by using the above clearance form by the 15th and 30th of each month until full vaccination.
 2. In the event of a positive test, students should contact the Case Manager for Student and Employee Health at studenthealth@ubalt.edu.
 - iii. International students are expected to make efforts to receive full vaccination and can work with OSS staff members Tony DuLaney and Stephen Mogar to find vaccination resources.

3. If requesting a religious or medical exemption from the vaccine mandate:

- i. International Students will follow standard process for requesting medical or religious exemption as outlined by point 2 in the [UBalt Proof of Vaccination and Exemption Process](#).
 1. During and after exemption approval, international students will need to submit a negative COVID-19 test by using the above clearance form by the 15th and 30th of each month until full vaccination.
 2. If exemption request is denied, students may choose to appeal the decision by again referring to point 2 in the above document.

Failure to follow the directives outlined above could constitute a violation(s) of the Student Code of Conduct and may result in disciplinary action under the Student Code of Conduct. Additionally, failure to follow the above directives may result in the University immediately and temporarily denying the student access to University premises until compliance can be maintained. In such instances, the University will provide the student with remote access, as available and appropriate.

Students who have been temporarily denied access pursuant to this provision may contact the Dean of Students, Dr. Llatetra Esters at lesters@ubalt.edu or the Office of Student Support at studentsupport@ubalt.edu and will have the opportunity to meet remotely with the Dean of Students, or designee to explain why access should be reinstated. The Dean of Students, or designee, will make a final decision regarding whether and when to permit the student with access to University premises pursuant to this provision. This provision does not prevent the University from seeking disciplinary action pursuant to the Student Code of Conduct in connection with a student's failure to follow these directives.

A student's access to campus may be limited while the conduct process is resolved. Student Code of Conduct proceedings may also result in access restrictions among other potential sanctions set forth in the Student Code of Conduct. The University may also at any time exercise its denial of access powers under Section 26-102 of the Education Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland.

Potential Code of Conduct Violations/Considerations

Violations under the Code of Conduct that could apply include, but are not limited to:

10. Abuse or interference with college processes – engaging in conduct that substantially disrupts or interferes with the work of the university or the rights of other students.

12. Furnishing False Information – Intentionally furnishing false documentation or information to the University or University employee

16. Failure to comply – Failure to comply with a reasonable directive given by a University employee to review the Student Code of Conduct, please see the Student Handbook.