

Fall 2021 Mandatory Student COVID-19 Vaccination Requirement Guidelines for Unvaccinated Students

Dear Student,

You are receiving this letter because you have submitted and been approved for an **exception** from MICA's mandatory COVID-19 vaccine policy. Students in this group are both international travelers who are unable to be fully vaccinated prior to their on-campus arrival and those students who have been approved for vaccine exception due to their religious beliefs or for medical reasons. This letter serves to provide you with guidelines as you plan your return to campus this Fall.

International Students:

- MICA is requesting a COVID-19 viral test (PCR) result no more than 3 days before travel or documentation of recovery from COVID-19 in the past 3 months before you board a flight to the United States.
- Students are also expected to quarantine one week **prior** to their planned travel to the United States
- Current Center for Disease Control (CDC) guidance for unvaccinated individuals arriving from international locations is to self-quarantine for a full seven (7) days after travel. MICA recommends unvaccinated students arriving from international locations to self-quarantine at their on- or off-campus residence, and is prepared to support students during this time. You will also be asked to get tested for COVID-19 3-5 days after arrival. If you choose not to get a COVID-19 test after arrival, a full ten (10) days of self-quarantine after travel is recommended.
 - o During Self-Quarantine:
 - You are permitted to go out and get grab and go meals as well as attend any necessary medical appointments (wearing a mask at all times). MICA will not bring food or other supplies to your residence.
 - You are also asked to wear a mask at all times while interacting with any roommates with the exception of when you are alone in your bedroom.
 - MICA's Student Health Services will monitor quarantine for these students and will work with them to secure COVID-19 testing 3-5 days after arrival.
 - The Office of Student Affairs will notify faculty for students who might miss class during quarantine.

- MICA will provide access to an FDA approved COVID-19 vaccine within one
 week of arrival for all unvaccinated students. For students arriving to Baltimore
 prior to August 23, 2021, MICA will work with you individually to provide
 access to the vaccine.
- For those arriving the week of August 23, 2021, in partnership with the Baltimore City Health Department, MICA will hold on-campus vaccine clinics on **Thursday, August 26, 2021** and **Monday, August 30, 2021** from **2pm-6pm.** Students will be registered to get their first shot of the Moderna vaccine on one of these two dates. 2nd shots will be scheduled four (4) weeks later. No action is required at this time. Later this summer, unvaccinated students will receive a link for pre-registration. For those students in self-quarantine on the dates of the vaccine clinics, you are allowed to leave your residence for your vaccine appointment.

Students with Religious or Medical Exceptions:

- MICA is requesting a COVID-19 viral test (PCR) result no more than 3 days before your planned arrival to campus or documentation of recovery from COVID-19 in the past 3 months.
- Students are also expected to quarantine one week **prior** to their planned travel.
- Current Center for Disease Control (CDC) guidance for unvaccinated individuals arriving from domestic locations is to self-quarantine for seven (7) days after travel. MICA recommends unvaccinated students arriving from domestic locations to self-quarantine at their on- or off-campus residence, and is prepared to support students during this time. You will also be asked to get tested for COVID-19 3-5 days after arrival. If you choose not to get a COVID-19 test after arrival, a full ten (10) days of self-quarantine after travel is recommended.
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Students can submit proof of their negative COVID-19 test to MICA's Student Health Center by uploading their materials to the secure <u>Medicat</u> Student Health portal found on the MICA Student Health Center webpage.

If you have any additional questions, please feel free to contact Matt Baker or Lindsey MacNeil at MICA's Student Health Center at 410-225-4118 or email at healthservices@mica.edu.