

Colorado Students Set to Return to In-Person Law School

While thousands of Americans of all ages are preparing for a new world of work dealing with COVID-19, law students at Colorado's two law schools are preparing to return for in-person classes this fall semester. Both the University of Denver and the University of Colorado have taken university-wide precautions on masks, distancing, vaccination requirements, as well as some advanced steps, to prepare for an in-person style of learning this year.

While DU is requiring mandatory testing on a regular basis, CU is requiring vaccination of all students, faculty and staff by Sept. 15. Both schools encourage regular hand washing, good ventilation, having events outdoors when possible and staying away from others when feeling unwell.



VACCINATION REQUIREMENTS

Requiring vaccinations for the Fall semester

CU LAW

Staff & Students are required to have a COVID-19 Vaccine before the start of the Fall 2021 Semester.

Proof of vaccination must be provided via the online health port of the school.

Booster Shots may become required depending on FDA guidance.

Even remote CU staff are required to be vaccinated Those who already had COVID must show proof of vaccination.

DU LAW

Staff & Students must be fully vaccinated before returning for the fall term.

Proof of Vaccination, such as a picture of their card, must be submitted through the online health portal.

Fully vaccinated is defined as at least two-weeks have passed since receiving at least one dose of a vaccine.

Those with two doses of the vaccine aren't required to quarantine after travel or exposure — if they're asymptomatic.

Vaccine exemptions on medial and non-medical grounds

CU LAW

Staff & students can complete an exemption, but like other vaccines, exempted persons may be subject to exclusion from the school and quarantine.

There are two types of exemptions: Medical and non-medical, such as religious or personal beliefs.

Following an exemption process specific to the requested exemption, the form must be submitted through the health portal.

DU LAW

The school will consider request for limited exemptions for medical and non-medical reasons.

An individual must submit an exemption request, sign required documentation and wait for a review.

Certain exemptions could be changed due to public health guidance or developments related to vaccines.



MASKS & DISTANCING

CU LAW

Masks are required, regardless of vaccine status, in public indoor spaces on campus.

While COVID monitoring ended on Aug. 6, diagnostic testing is available through CU's Medical Services.

DU LAW

MASKS: All unvaccinated and not-fully vaccinated people must be wear a mask indoors, and/or in groups of 5-plus.

Not required when alone in a single office or room, a residential room or actively eating or drinking.

DISTANCING: All unvaccinated and not-fully vaccinated people should maintain 6 feet distance



TESTING

CU LAW

CU students can be tested for COVID with or without symptoms, under certain conditions.

Anyone with signs or symptoms of COVID should get tested regardless of vaccine status, and should wear a mask while social distancing, per CDC guidance.

Asymptomatic students and staff can take a test when recommended by the Public Health Office, if they were in close contact with a COVID-positive individual, are unvaccinated and pre-arrival testing.

DU LAW

DU has as a Mandatory Testing Protocol for in-person students/staff.

All students/staff in any on-campus activities must participate in the testing program schedule Free of charge.

Testing includes salivary and nasal swabs Individual testing days and schedules will be provided by their health portal online.

Students must test negative to a test ON CAMPUS within 48 hours of arrival on campus.

TESTING: Residential students must take two tests per week.

Non-resident undergrads once a week

Grad students on campus- a test every-other week

Faculty - one test every third week.