

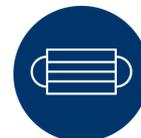
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COVID-19 Testing for the Spring Semester



Dear Graduate and Professional Students,

You will be returning to campus in January or February in a higher risk environment than the lead up to the fall semester. To minimize this increase in risk, we are putting the following testing program in place for the start of the spring semester.

Pre-arrival and arrival testing

For those who are currently, and plan to remain in, Connecticut

- Voluntary asymptomatic testing through Yale's [COVID-19 Screening Program](#) is available through December and January. You are strongly encouraged to take advantage of this testing program, especially if you are in the New Haven area.

- **A test is required for all students within one week of the start date of your academic program.** You must quarantine until receiving a negative result on this arrival test. You must complete testing prior to any in-person on-campus classes or activities.

For those who will be returning to Connecticut from out of state before the start of the spring term

- Testing PRIOR to travel back to Connecticut is strongly recommended. Testing should take place in a timeframe that will allow the return of test results PRIOR to travel. Do not travel if your test is positive, but isolate for 10 days prior to return to New Haven.
 - Pre-arrival testing done outside of the Yale COVID 19 Screening Program will be reimbursed at up to \$120 per test. If you submit your receipt to Yale, you should [complete this form](#) and return it by mail or send it electronically to yhclaims@yale.edu to receive your reimbursement.
- **Test immediately on return to New Haven** and quarantine in your home location until you have had TWO negative tests: the on-arrival test and a second test no sooner than 4 days after the first test.
 - Health professional students (Medicine, PA, Nursing) only: you may return to activities after 1st negative and follow up with a second test in 5-7 days.

Ongoing testing requirements after return to Yale

- Residents of Helen Hadley Hall and Harkness Hall will continue the required twice weekly testing that was in place in the fall semester.
- Residents of other on-campus graduate and professional school dormitories including Baker Hall, 254 Prospect, 276 Prospect, and 272 Elm, will have a new weekly testing requirement starting the week of January 11.
- Yale School of Nursing students will continue/resume their once

weekly testing requirement.

- If other testing requirements are added for the spring semester, affected students will be notified by their respective deans.

As a reminder, symptomatic testing is available at any time by calling the Campus Covid Resource Line at 203-432-6604. *Please do not self-schedule at an asymptomatic site if you have symptoms as it may place others at risk.*

Best wishes for a safe and restful holiday recess.

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