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*A Message from Dean Cooley*

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In this message: Preparing for Phase 2 research

July 14, 2020

Dear graduate students in the Humanities and Social Sciences:

As we prepare for Phase 2 research, we want to communicate to you about several items that may be of interest to you. To answer any questions or concerns you have about Phase 2 On-Campus Research Reactivation in the Humanities and Social Sciences, the divisional deans, Katie Lofton and Alan Gerber, will host a town hall open to all faculty and graduate students in the Humanities and Social Sciences from 12-1 p.m. on Wed., July 15. [This is the link for the webinar.](#) The password for access is **546856**.

In the meanwhile, the information below details what you may expect in the next phase.

## Phase 2

Phase 2 permits more individuals to campus, and all safety metrics in place during Phase 1 remain. [Detailed information for trainees on Phase 2 is found here.](#)

While all graduate students and postdocs are eligible for Phase 2 access, this does not mean that all are approved for Phase 2 access. Eligibility is not the same as access. Eligibility allows you to complete a required online training. Access will occur once the divisional dean has approved your building safety plan. Faculty and students cannot come to campus until they have heard from their local safety officers confirming the building-specific plan.

## Your rights

Graduate students may not be required by faculty advisors, principal investigators, and other supervisors to work on campus during Phases 1 and 2. [More guidance is found here.](#)

## Your responsibilities

If you do choose to come on to campus during Phase 2, you must:

- Follow all departmental or building safety guidelines; these will be shared with you by your department chair or building safety officer.
- Complete the 25-minute online training on Yale COVID-19 safety protocols. Individuals must [access the Training Management System \(TMS\)](#) to fulfill this requirement; note that VPN is required. To access the training, click: *COVID-19 Return to Yale Campus Training (Required for all returning faculty and staff)*.
- Complete the [Daily Health Check](#) each day you will visit campus. This is required for anyone who will be visiting campus so that the university can comply with regulations in the State of Connecticut. It asks individuals to self-report if they have symptoms. At one point, this system was going to provide an attendance feature to support contact tracing, but that is no longer the case. The daily health check only asks if you are having any symptoms and if you are coming to campus on that day.

## Your resources

Your safety and that of the entire Yale community is our utmost priority. You are encouraged to use [campus resources](#) that have been set up to field your questions and concerns. This includes a campus COVID Resource line (203-432-6604) and an anonymous COVID compliance hotline (877-360-9253).

## Childcare

This remains a central concern for many in our community. [Childcare resources are found here.](#)

## Contact Tracing

Yale has implemented a campus-based contact tracing program. [Details are found here.](#)

Thank you for your partnership as we prepare for a safe and successful transition to Phase 2 research.

Sincerely,

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