

UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-Green Bay Chancellor Order for Individual Responsibility in Responding to COVID-19

GB-50-21-3

Approved by: Chancellor's Cabinet
Date: <u>1/5/2022</u>
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Michael Alexander, Chancellor

Amended by Chancellor's Order 8-31-2021

PURPOSE:

Throughout the COVID-19 Event the University of Wisconsin-Green Bay has applied the directives of the Centers for Disease control with the assessment and interpretation of the local Public Health Departments, our Institutional Health Partners and subject matter experts. Consistent with the most recent CDC <u>guidance</u> regarding the COVID-19 pandemic, specifically as it pertained to recommendations regarding the use of face coverings by vaccinated persons as determined by local infection rates, Chancellor Michael Alexander is issuing the below order to maintain the safety and security of the operations of UW-Green Bay.

AMENDED ORDER:

Based upon the foregoing, I, Michael Alexander, Chancellor of the University of Wisconsin-Green Bay, by the authority vested in me by the Laws of the State of Wisconsin, including, but not limited to, Wis. Stat. sec. 36, and Wis. Admin. Code secs. UWS 17-18¹, order the following as necessary to prevent, suppress, and control the spread of COVID-19 on our campus:

- 1. Chancellor Order <u>GB-50-21-2</u> (Mask Use to Minimize Spread of COVID-19) shall be terminated and replaced by this Order.
- **2. Face Coverings.** Face covering means a piece of cloth or other material that is worn to cover the nose and mouth completely.

a. Face Covering Required. Every individual who enters campus building regardless of vaccination status shall wear a face covering:

i. In all indoor public spaces except students in their assigned residence hall rooms and common areas within buildings in which the student resides and employees when alone in a private, unshared office or lab.

¹ In addition to the generalize authority cited above, this order is being issued pursuant to the authority vested in me by the laws of the State of Wisconsin and applicable policies in the University of Wisconsin System, including, but not limited to the following: Wis. Stat. s. 36.11(1)a. and c., 36.09(1)(a), (f) and (L), 36.35(2) and 101.11; Wis. Admin. Code ss. UWS 17.09(1), UWS 17.09 (14), UWS 17.09 (15), UWS 18.08(9)(b), UWS 18.11(6)(a) and (7)(e), UWS 18.13; and Regent Policy 23-2.



b. Exceptions. Requests for exceptions to this order should be made to Human Resources or the Office of Accessibility Services and will be evaluated on an individualized basis utilizing the interactive reasonable accommodations process.

- 3. The Chancellor has the authority to determine that the use of face coverings shall be required as necessary to comply with CDC <u>guidance</u> concerning face covering recommendations, as determined by infection rates reported through the <u>CDC County By County Assessments</u>. The application of the CDC guidance and the conditions within any County in which a UW-Green Bay campus is located will be reviewed periodically. Any changes or modifications to this directive shall be noticed to the University Community through the "Log" as well as through direct communication from Human Resources and Student Affairs.
- 4. Enforcement and Operation: UW-Green Bay places trust in its students, staff, faculty, and visitors. UW-Green Bay also strictly adheres to the confidentiality of individuals medical records including those related to COVID-19 response. Based on those principles, no one should engage with an individual who may not be wearing a face covering. If an individual is concerned about the another, they should contact the Office of Human Resources or Dean of Students *as applicable* and the correct assigned office will follow up on the concern.
- 5. Severability. If any provision of this order or its application to any person or circumstance is held to be invalid, then the remainder of the order, including the application of such part or provision to other persons or circumstances, shall not be affected and shall continue in full force and effect. To this end, the provisions of this order are severable.
- 6. Duration. This order becomes effective January 5, 2022. The order will expire February 28, 2022 unless extended, terminated, or otherwise modified based on changing conditions related the COVID-19 Delta, Omicron (or other) variants, including but not limited to changes in CDC guidance, state and local public health conditions, and campus safety.