



**The Universities**  
AT SHADY GROVE

# **USG Onward**

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## **COVID-19 COMMUNITY RESPONSIBILITY PLEDGE**

The Universities at Shady Grove (USG) is concerned for the health and safety of the entire community. The nature of the COVID-19 disease is such that actions taken by you affect not only your well-being, but the well-being of every person with whom you interact and share the campus with.

To promote the health and safety of our shared community, we are providing the following important guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and request that you abide by these best practices. Our knowledge and understanding of the COVID-19 virus continues to evolve, and guidance will be updated as appropriate as additional information becomes available. Consequently, USG may modify these expectations at any time and will provide notice in the event such modifications are made.

**You are expected to keep yourself apprised of and abide by any changes to this pledge.**

# COVID-19 COMMUNITY RESPONSIBILITY PLEDGE

- ▶ I will monitor my health on a regular basis and take reasonable precautions to minimize my exposure to COVID-19 infection. In addition to monitoring other symptoms of possible illness or COVID-19 infection (e.g., cough, sore throat, fever, chills, muscle pain, loss of taste or smell, and/or shortness of breath), I will take my temperature every day to determine whether I have a fever. This self-assessment is required every day that I plan or am expected to be on to campus, regardless of whether I am sick or well.
- ▶ I will not report to campus and will immediately contact my health care provider and my professor/supervisor, if:
  - ▶ I have been exposed and/or have reason to believe I have been exposed to COVID-19;
  - ▶ I have a temperature of 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit or greater;
  - ▶ I am exhibiting other symptoms consistent with COVID-19 infection (e.g., cough, sore throat, fever, chills, muscle pain, loss of sense of smell or taste, and/or shortness of breath); or
  - ▶ I have been advised by a healthcare professional not to report to campus due to actual or possible COVID-19 infection or exposure.
- ▶ I acknowledge and agree that the University may request that I get tested for COVID-19 if I experience symptoms of COVID-19 or have been in close contact with an individual who has tested positive for COVID-19.
- ▶ If I am diagnosed with COVID-19, I will cooperate with the University and state and local health officials to provide necessary information about the individuals with whom I had close contact during the 2-day period prior to experiencing symptoms.
- ▶ I understand that if I am sick or diagnosed with COVID-19 I am required to self-isolate for 14 days.
- ▶ I acknowledge that, while on campus, I am required to:
  - ▶ practice good personal hygiene (e.g., wash hands frequently with soap and water or, if soap is unavailable, with hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol);
  - ▶ routinely clean and sanitize my workspace and shared equipment;
  - ▶ wear a face covering, consistent with University directives and CDC guidance and subject to reasonable accommodation under state and federal law;
  - ▶ practice physical distancing at all times; and
  - ▶ adhere to guidelines and recommendations from the CDC, as well as federal, state and local government authorities, to protect my health and the health of the University community.
- ▶ I understand that it is mandatory while on campus, I must carry a fall 2020 validated USG ID or have a valid USG ID number with personal identification.

**I understand and agree to take personal responsibility for my compliance with the requirements and acknowledge my responsibility as a member of the USG community for the health and safety of all its members. I understand that my access to campus may be conditioned on my adherence to the pledge.**

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