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On-Campus SOPs for Faculty & Staff

Reopening of educational institutes carry a high risk of covid-19 spread and all. Therefore, it is imperative that we take appropriate preventive measures and strictly abide by the following guidelines.

<u>Guidelines for safety and hygiene in open places, Classrooms, Studios, Labs, Library, and</u> <u>Cafeteria:</u>

- It is mandatory for all faculty & staff to wear facemask at all places at the main campus, city office and hostel. Put your mask on even while teaching.
- Maintaining a physical distance of 3-6 feet is mandatory for all. Social distance markings are there for the convenience.
- Kindly ensure that students do not gather around you or each other after the lecture ends.
- Kindly frequently disinfect your hands with liquid hand sanitizer placed at all entrances and floors for the convenience and hygiene. You should also keep a hand sanitizer bottle in your bag too.
- Please avoid shaking hands and hugs.
- Do not share food and drinks. It is recommended to carry your own water bottle.
- Please encourage students to make an advance appointment via email or phone call to avoid rush outside your office. It is recommended that the faculty members share visitation/consultation timings with students and must not entertain more than 2 students at a time in their offices.
- Kindly encourage students to follow SOPs within the classroom and adhere to social distancing protocols.
- Please ensure that space in classrooms/laboratories/studios is enough to adhere to social distancing protocols.
- Keep the office area clean. It is recommended to ventilate 3 times a day for 20-30 minutes.
- Keep a safe distance if more than one person is in the room.
- Avoid sitting in faculty lounges unless out of necessity.
- If you are entertaining guests in the office, they should also wear masks and use hand sanitizer.
- Enhance your immune system by eating balanced food, maintaining a healthy lifestyle, getting a quality sleep, and take Vitamin C regularly which will help fight against bacteria and infections.
- Stay in conversation with your Program Coordinator throughout the semester to seek guidance & clarity on matters at departmental level.

It is essential that all students take these guidelines seriously. A stricter adherence to the SOPs is now needed more than ever before to contain the spread of this virus.