ENVIRONMENT HEALTH AND SAFETY POLICY
COVID-19 VACCINATION STATUS DECLARATION AND RAPID TESTING PROCEDURE

Purpose and Definitions

As part of its program for a safe start of the fall 2021 academic term, the university is requiring all students, employees (as defined in the Environmental, Health and Safety Policy) and Regular Visitors (collectively “Campus Community Members”) to complete a declaration regarding their COVID-19 vaccination status if they plan on attending campus or an off-campus facility or activity controlled, operated or organized by the university before December 31, 2021. This information will be used for the purpose of determining whether a person is required to participate in the university COVID-19 rapid testing program.

“Regular Visitors” are persons who are not students or employees, but who have a university issued Netlink ID.

Procedure

1. Starting September 8, 2021, the University of Victoria requires all Campus Community Members to complete a declaration regarding their COVID-19 vaccination status if they plan on attending campus or an off-campus facility or activity controlled, operated or organized by the university before December 31, 2021. Campus Community Members must complete their declaration by September 26, 2021 or immediately upon becoming a Campus Community Member after that date.

2. Vaccination declarations are confidential and will be securely stored and accessed in accordance with the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. Vaccination declarations can be made here. Vaccine status declarations may be updated at any time.

3. Those who indicate in their declaration that they are Fully Vaccinated and can provide proof of vaccination, if and when required by the university, will be exempt from the COVID-19 rapid testing program.

“Fully Vaccinated” means a person that has received two doses of Health Canada or World Health Organization approved COVID-19 vaccines or a single dose of the Janssen COVID-19 vaccine.

Approved vaccines are:

i. Pfizer / BioNTech
ii. Moderna
iii. AstraZeneca
iv. Covishield
v. Janssen (Johnson & Johnson)
vi. SinoPharm (Beijing) / Covilo / BBIBP-CorV
vii. Sinovac / CoronaVac
4. Campus Community Members who indicate in their declaration that they are not Fully Vaccinated (including those who cannot be vaccinated), choose not to disclose their vaccination status, or fail to complete a vaccination declaration will be required to participate in an ongoing COVID-19 rapid testing program if they are attending on campus or at an off-campus facility or activity operated by the university.

5. Any Campus Community Member who cannot be subjected to COVID-19 rapid testing or other testing required by the University, based on medical or other protected grounds recognized by the British Columbia Human Rights Code can request an accommodation:
   a. Students seeking an accommodation must provide supporting documentation acceptable to the university stating the grounds on which they are seeking an accommodation to Office of Student Life.
   b. Employees and Regular Visitors seeking an accommodation must provide supporting documentation acceptable to the university stating the grounds on which they are seeking an accommodation to their supervisor or contact a Work-Life Consultant.

6. COVID-19 rapid test results will be provided to the university, and individuals with a positive test result will be required to follow the university’s protocols for persons who have received a positive COVID-19 rapid test result.

7. All Campus Community Members attending campus must continue to undertake their daily health checks for COVID-19 or flu symptoms, and adjust their activities appropriately should they have symptoms.

8. Failure to adhere to this procedure, or the provision of a false declaration of vaccine status, may result in discipline, loss of the ability to access UVic services or premises, or the loss of other privileges.