

August 30, 2021

Students, Faculty and Staff -

On August 28, 2021, Illinois Governor JB Pritzker issued a vaccination mandate that applies to all higher education employees and students.

Concordia University Chicago employees and students are expected to provide documentation of their COVID vaccination status as soon as possible, but no later than **Sunday, September 5**. Individuals who are not fully vaccinated by this date are required to submit to weekly COVID testing until they are fully vaccinated or the mandate is lifted.

Individuals are considered fully vaccinated two weeks following either the single-dose Johnson & Johnson vaccine or the second dose of the Moderna or Pfizer vaccines. Additional information about the vaccine is available via the [State of Illinois Vaccine webpage](#).

To find a vaccine provider near you, visit [vaccines.gov](#). In addition, the University will continue to offer free Moderna vaccine clinics on campus. Appointments are available on a first come, first served basis; you must [pre-register online](#). Clinics will be held on the dates below, with additional dates to be announced:

- Friday, September 3, 1-3 p.m. (CC251)
- Friday, September 10, 1-3 p.m. (CC251)
- Friday, September 17, 1-3 p.m. (CC251)

Students:

- Submit your proof of vaccination through the existing [Med+Proctor](#) system; OR
- Participate in weekly COVID-19 testing
 - On-campus testing dates/availability will be detailed in a separate communication
 - Results from off-campus testing providers are accepted
- Questions may be directed to DOS@CUChicago.edu

Students who are responsible for meeting the above-stated requirements are defined as individuals enrolled in credit-bearing or non-credit-bearing coursework. This applies to those students present on the University's main River Forest campus as well as those at off-campus, satellite classroom locations. This requirement does not apply to individuals who complete their coursework fully online.

Employees:

- Submit your proof of vaccination via the [Vaccination Status webform](#); OR
- Participate in weekly COVID-19 testing
 - On-campus testing dates/availability will be detailed in a separate communication
 - Results from off-campus testing providers are accepted
- Questions may be directed to HR@CUChicago.edu

Faculty and staff members who are responsible for meeting the above-stated requirements are defined as any person who is employed by CUC (full-time, part-time or contractually) who is in contact with others on campus for

more than 15 minutes at least once per week on a regular basis. This applies to those employees present on the University's main River Forest campus as well as those at off-campus, satellite classroom locations.

Exemptions

Per the Illinois Executive Order, the following vaccine exemptions will be allowed:

- The vaccine is medically contraindicated or an ADA accommodation exists.
- The vaccine requires an individual to forgo a religious belief, practice or observance.

Students may submit exemption requests by completing the Illinois [student exemption form](#); employees may submit exemption requests via the [Vaccination Status webform](#). Exempted individuals are required to submit to the weekly testing regimen.

- Emergency Response Team