



## **Spring 2022 FAQ for Return In-Person Instruction**

The following list of frequently asked questions was developed to provide guidance as Langston University resumes in-person instruction for the Spring 2022 Semester. As additional questions arise, they will be addressed through this document or by other means such as bi-weekly webinars conducted by the Emergency Leadership Team. Additional inquiries may be directed to [luelt@langston.edu](mailto:luelt@langston.edu).

### **Why is the University returning to in-person instruction at this point?**

We are returning to in-person instruction because it is the most effective means of learning. Langston University has established protocols to support in-person learning safely. During the early stages of the pandemic, the remote and hybrid modalities were valuable options to continue instruction. At this point, we know more about the virus and have multiple mitigation measures available.

### **Will the University offer in-person instruction?**

Yes, in-person instruction will begin on Monday, January 31.

### **Is Langston University the only university returning to in-person instruction?**

No. Like many other HBCUs, Oklahoma institutions, and universities across the nation, Langston University has made the decision to return to traditional, in-person learning.

### **How do I know where my classes will be located?**

Class locations can be found by viewing your Concise Student Schedule in Banner. Students can also check Canvas for the most up-to-date information on their classes, as locations may have moved.

### **Why isn't the University continuing Hybrid or Remote Instruction?**

Based on feedback and comments from our students and faculty, we have determined that in-person instruction is a more highly desired approach for courses designed for the Traditional modality. In-person instruction provides greater levels of teacher-student interactions, a core component of our university's mission. Additionally, it provides high levels of academic rigor and provision for excellent academic and social-emotional experience and development for our students as well as our diverse stakeholders.

### **Will the University shift to a virtual format if the case count rises?**

The [Protect the Pride](#) plan includes a framework for our operational posture, including instructional delivery. The protocols in place are designed to remain flexible. Should the need arise to shift, the University will be prepared to do so and will communicate the transition in advance.

### **Will the classrooms be set up for social distancing?**

No. The classrooms were modified in Fall 2020 to accommodate social distancing for the Hybrid modality. When the University shifted back to in-person instruction, the modifications to classrooms were lifted. As we have stated in all communications, masks are expected indoors in all public spaces, including classrooms. The use of masks will be an important component of risk mitigation as we return to in-person learning.

### **Can we wear masks in the classrooms?**

Yes. As we have stated in all communications, masks are expected indoors in all public spaces, including classrooms. The use of masks will be an important component of risk mitigation as we return to in-person learning.

### **Will the University offer Pass/No Pass grading?**

No. The provision to offer pass/no pass grading is not a decision that the University can make. The permission to offer pass/no pass grading is afforded to institutions through the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education. The pass/ no pass grading option is **not** being offered to any institution in Oklahoma at this time.

### **What dining options are available to students during this period?**

Campus dining will include both a dine-in and a grab-and-go option. The dine-in option will have limited capacity.

**What do I do if I do not feel well?**

We encourage members of our community to stay home if they are sick. Do not report to class or work if you are feeling unwell. Consider visiting your medical provider or the health clinic on the Langston Campus.

**How do I let the university know if I do not feel well or test positive?**

If you experience COVID-19 symptoms, test positive for COVID-19, or believe you have been directly exposed to a person that has or is believed to have tested positive for COVID-19, you are required to notify Langston University by completing the [Potential COVID-19 Exposure or Symptom Notification Form](#). Students will receive instructions for isolation.

**Will COVID-19 testing or vaccinations be available?**

Yes. The University will continue to offer testing and vaccinations on a routine basis by appointment. Monitor your Langston University email for testing opportunities and instructions for making an appointment.

**Will the booster vaccination be available?**

Yes. Langston University will continue to offer booster doses of Moderna on a routine basis. Limited quantities of the Pfizer booster will also be made available. Appointments for any dose of the vaccine, including the booster, can be made through the Testing and Vaccination Appointment link. Monitor your Langston University email for appointment opportunities.

**What happens if I must miss class because I am required to isolate and quarantine?**

Students are expected to follow Langston University's attendance policy and notify instructors of any course absences. COVID-19 related absences will be excused and verified by the Office of Academic Affairs following appropriate notification to the Emergency Leadership Team (ELT) via the Notification Form.

**What if I am unable to attend in-person classes?**

If you are unable to attend classes in person, you may need to consider withdrawing from Langston University. The final day to withdraw without a bill for the Spring 2022 Semester is Monday, January 31, 2022. Students who withdraw after this date will be responsible for all charges.