Executive Directive
Issued by Chancellor Howard Gillman
June 10, 2020

To mitigate possible exposure to COVID-19 on property controlled by UCI and help prevent the spread of COVID-19 within the UCI community, effective immediately, face-coverings are required for all individuals on UCI controlled property, except as noted below.

This Executive Directive supersedes all prior campuswide guidance regarding face-coverings to the extent such guidance is inconsistent with this Executive Directive.

All individuals on UCI controlled property must wear a cloth face-covering outside their home/apartment/residence hall room (living unit) when they are not able to maintain at least six feet of physical distance from another person who is not a family/household member or does not reside in the same living unit. This includes the wearing of face-coverings in labs, classrooms and populated outdoor spaces. Face-coverings must comply with relevant policies applicable to the wearer, including but not limited to student code of conduct and employee policies.

A cloth face-covering is a material that covers the nose and mouth; it can be secured to the head with ties or straps or simply wrapped around the lower face; it can be made of a variety of materials, such as cotton, silk, or linen; and a face-covering may be factory-made or sewn by hand, or can be improvised from household items such as scarfs, T-shirts, sweatshirts, or towels.

The requirement to wear a cloth face-covering in this directive SHALL NOT APPLY to:
   a. Children under the age of two;
   b. Anyone who has trouble breathing, or is unconscious, incapacitated or otherwise unable to remove the cloth face-covering without assistance;
   c. Persons with a medical or mental health condition, or developmental disability, that prevents wearing a cloth face-covering; or
   d. Anyone actively engaged in strenuous physical activity where wearing the cloth face-covering could inhibit their ability to breathe, provided they observe other appropriate mitigation measures.

This directive also applies to off-site work conducted by UCI employees.

In some UCI locations, such as the UCI Health System (including UCI Medical Center, Gottschalk Plaza, and other UCI Health clinics) and research laboratories, stricter face-covering or PPE requirements may apply and thereby supersede the requirements of this directive.

This directive is subject to change. Current directives and advisories are available at: https://uci.edu/coronavirus/.

References/Resources

• Face-coverings are available to all faculty, staff, and students through Environmental Health and Safety. Please send an email to safety@uci.edu and indicate your name, UCI affiliation (faculty, staff, or
student), and the number of face-coverings requested. Face-coverings can be picked up at EH&S, located in building 41 on the campus map.
  o More information can be found at: https://ehs.uci.edu/

- **Support for directive at the time it was issued includes, but is not limited to:**
  o [University of California Consensus Standards for Operation of Campus and ANR Locations in Light of the SARS-CoV-2 Pandemic dated May 22, 2020](https://ehs.uci.edu/);
  o [Orange County Public Health Order dated May 28, 2020](https://ehs.uci.edu/), including the reasons for the public health order stated therein;
  o Guidance issued by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), including “[How to Protect Yourself & Others](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/your health/how-to-prevent-spread.html)”;  
  o Guidance issued by the California Department of Public Health, including “[Face Covering Guidance](https://www.cdph.ca.gov/docs/COVID19/20200516-Face-Covering-Guidance.pdf)”;
  o [American College Health Association’s Considerations for Reopening Institutions of Higher Education in the COVID-19 Era](https://www.achaguidance.org/files/2020/04/Reopening-considerations-5-21-20.pdf);

- **Authority to issue this directive:**
  o [Regents Standing Order 100.6](https://www.uci.edu/admin/uci_templ/registration.regs/so1006.html)

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