

## Our Department's COVID-Safe Policies FAQ Guide

COVID-19 has changed how we live and work. Central to our public service mission is to collectively working together to ensure our health and safety. This FAQ serves as a guidepost. If there is an unanswered question, contact Dr. Sara Rinfret ([sara.rinfret@umontana.edu](mailto:sara.rinfret@umontana.edu)), Acting Dean & MPA Director.

- 1. Do I need to wear a facemask for in-person classes and office hours?**
  - a. **Yes.** Masks are **required** to be worn for vaccinated and unvaccinated indoors during class and meeting with a professor during office hours.
- 2. The university has new designations for course delivery – what do these mean? How does this impact DPAP course delivery?**
  - a. All DPAP regularly scheduled online classes will remain the same and not impacted.
  - b. All DPAP face-to-face classes will be offered in-person or for students to attend via robot one night per week.
  - c. Other departments/programs across campus may use one of the following approaches for Spring 2022:
    - i. Hyflex (participate in an in-person class via zoom), **we are not offering these options.**
- 3. Due to the changes in the UM academic calendar, will the department offer winter session courses?**
  - a. No. Our department already offers courses Fall, Spring, and Summer sessions.
- 4. What if I get sick or I am in contact with someone exposed to COVID-19.**
  - a. Please notify your professor and Acting Dean/MPA Director; follow guidance [here](#) based upon your vaccination status.
- 5. How do I make up my school-work if I am impacted by COVID-19?**
  - a. Your professor will provide options for you to receive missing material (e.g. send PPT slides or recording of lecture). Make sure to notify your professor in advance. We realize this may occur periodically throughout the semester and will support you in your educational success.
  - b. If your illness persists, you will set up an appointment with the department Acting Dean/MPA Director to come up with a plan of action to successfully complete the semester.
- 6. What if I don't feel comfortable taking an in-person class this spring?**
  - a. Accommodation requests should be sent to UM disability services this summer. We also offer fully-online classes.
- 7. Will internship opportunities be impacted?**
  - a. Employees and organizations are shifting to remote options and safe in-person opportunities. Review our "[careers](#)" page to view opportunities or meet with our internship advisor, Prof. Ben Hamman.

**8. What if I need an incomplete for my course?**

- a. It is individual instructor direction. Please review their syllabus. If awarded, review our department's handbook for length to complete an incomplete.

**9. How do I get in/out of the School of Law?**

- a. The School of Law uses a card swipe system to enter the building, accessible using your Griz Card. Your 790 has been entered into our system.
- b. [In preparation, make sure to obtain a UM Griz Card.](#)
- c. If you forget your griz card, [call campus safety](#) to let you into the building.