Due to the ongoing global pandemic, this addendum adds community standards, policies and updates specific to the 2022-2023 academic year to the Student Handbook and is in effect until the Dean of the College of Pharmacy or University of Michigan Administration indicates otherwise. The information contained in this addendum is accurate as of August 1, 2022. Changes made after this date will be communicated to all students, staff, and faculty by the University of Michigan and/or College of Pharmacy administration.

Policy on Protecting the Health and Safety of the College of Pharmacy Community Relating to COVID-19

The College of Pharmacy aims to deliver its mission while seeking to protect the health and safety of our students and minimizing the spread of disease within the community. As students return for the 2022-23 academic year, all students are required to comply with all College of Pharmacy policies, including any public health guidance related to COVID-19. The very nature of an in-person educational experience in the College of Pharmacy means our faculty, staff and students, particularly those participating in clinical work, will be exposed to contagious viruses, including the coronavirus. The College of Pharmacy is committed to public health and similarly expects that all students will act in a manner that demonstrates respect and consideration for the health and safety of all community members.

Students are prohibited from creating a health or safety hazard at the College of Pharmacy, in connection with any college programs or activities, including any clinical work. Students are required to comply with public health guidance, including any protocols, guidelines or policies adopted by the University or the College of Pharmacy that relate to COVID-19 or other infectious diseases. This guidance will evolve as the public health crisis unfolds and may include the following: health screening protocols, participation in contact tracing, use of face coverings, COVID-19 diagnostic testing, disinfection protocols, limitations on gatherings, and social distancing. Adherence to health and safety requirements applies to all College of Pharmacy students and extends to all aspects of the facilities including classrooms, bathrooms, experiential sites, research labs, clinical labs, and all other spaces within the college or at college sponsored events/programs.

COVID-19 Syllabus Statement – 8/1/22

For the safety of all students, faculty, and staff on campus, it is important for everyone to be mindful of safety measures that have been put in place for our protection. By returning to campus, you acknowledged your responsibility for protecting the collective health of our community. Students are expected to adhere to all safety measures mandated by the State of Michigan and the University (e.g., properly wearing a face covering in class and/or maintaining physical distancing, as required). Other applicable safety measures may be described in the Wolverine Culture of Care and the University’s Face Covering Policy for COVID-19. Note that safety precautions are dynamic and may change over the course of a semester. Failure to follow
the safety measures is considered a violation of academic integrity and will be referred to Honor Council. If a face covering requirement is implemented, individuals seeking to request an accommodation related to such requirement under the Americans with Disabilities Act should contact the Office for Institutional Equity.

**University of Michigan College of Pharmacy- Expectations for In-Person Interactions for PharmD Program**

The purpose of this document is to ensure that pharmacy students are following appropriate safety protocols during class activities and during in-person patient care interactions. These rules apply to activities associated with courses, community health events, and life-long learning activities. Site policies should be followed for all introductory pharmacy practice experiences (IPPE) and advanced pharmacy practice experiences (APPE).

**Mode of interaction**
- Individuals and organizations responsible for overseeing activities should consider the mode of interaction. Rotation sites may require students to participate in remote and/or in-person activities that are consistent with the policies of their organization.
- All virtual interactions must be conducted using HIPAA-compliant technology (e.g., Zoom).

**Participation in in-person activities**
- Students may not participate in in-person patient care interactions if they have had a positive symptom screen on the day of the event or had a positive COVID-19 test requiring them to follow the current guidelines for isolation. Students should contact Dean Nelson for appropriate next steps.

**Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) for students**

**Mask and Eye Protection**
- The College of Pharmacy will follow (1) university policy regarding masking in classrooms/campus buildings and (2) Michigan Medicine policy regarding masking and eye protection when interacting with community members during patient care encounters such as in-person activities for the Longitudinal Early Practice Experience (LEPE) Program, community health events, and Life Long Learning activities.

**Supplies**
- Masks and hand sanitizer will be provided by the College of Pharmacy and/or site.
- Students may choose to wear additional personal protection equipment (PPE) above and beyond this policy (e.g., gloves during blood pressure screening), but they may need to be supplied by the student.

**Safety protocols required for patients during in-person activities**
- The term “patient” refers to community members and companions of community members (e.g., spouses, children, friends who are attending events but not receiving patient care services) engaging in patient care encounters.
- Requirements for wearing masks as defined by the activity site must be followed. All patients 2-years and older will be encouraged to wear a mask over their mouth and
nose throughout the event, if not already required.

- Patients who present to a College of Pharmacy-sponsored health promotion event and report either a positive symptom screen on the day of the event or positive COVID-19 test within the time period covered by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidance should be immediately asked to leave.

Additional information

- This document is subject to change. Updated information will be made available on the University of Michigan College of Pharmacy COVID page.

Adapted from the Michigan Medicine Infection Prevention and Epidemiology recommendations for Ambulatory Care (Clinical Skills Committee, July 2021; updated August 2022)

College of Pharmacy Building and Classroom Procedures

Here are important safety precaution procedures to follow for the building and classroom:

1. All members of the U-M community coming to campus are encouraged to use the Health Screening Tool each day before coming into the building, as it will continue to be required to access certain buildings, and to seek appropriate care and testing if they have symptoms. If you experience symptoms or fail the health screening tool questions (red screen), don’t come to the College and contact University Health Services (UHS).

2. The College of Pharmacy will follow (1) university policy regarding masking in classrooms/campus buildings and (2) Michigan Medicine policy regarding masking when interacting with community members during patient care encounters such as in-person activities for the Longitudinal Early Practice Experience (LEPE) Program, community health events, and Life Long Learning activities.

Remote Learning Requirements for Small-Group Sessions (PharmD)

In professional meetings within the college and at the hospital, turning on cameras is expected as it increases engagement and improves connection between meeting participants. Students previously reported that having cameras off negatively impacted team dynamics in classes. Therefore, if any small group sessions are held remotely using Zoom or another platform, we will be asking students to have their cameras on. Turning on video helps with learning, building connections, increasing collaboration and accountability, and improving focus during classes and meetings.

Recordings of Class Activities

Course faculty may opt to record class lectures and make them available to students in the course. As part of your participation in College of Pharmacy courses, you may be recorded. If you do not wish to be recorded, please contact the course coordinator the first week of class (or as soon as you enroll in the course, whichever is latest) to discuss alternative arrangements. Students are prohibited from recording/distributing any class activity without written permission from the instructor, except as necessary as part of approved accommodations for students with disabilities. Any approved recordings may only be used for the student’s own private use.
U-M Bus System

University of Michigan’s Logistics, Transportation & Parking (LTP) made changes to maintain safety for those who ride U-M buses. For more details on these changes and alternative services available, click here.

Embedded Psychologist Update

Dr. Jamie Yang will be available for appointments. Students can schedule an appointment by reaching out to her directly at juemeiya@umich.edu. We also have plenty of activities focused on well-being in store as well as other resources on campus available to meet students’ needs. Two such resources include virtual appointments through our Counseling and Psychological Services on central campus and Wolverine Wellness. Our Student Services team is always available as well to support you and/or point you to other available resources.