



Rothberg International School
THE HEBREW UNIVERSITY OF JERUSALEM



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Dear Students,

Last week, one of our employees was diagnosed with COVID-19. When she discovered that she had been exposed off-campus to someone with the disease, she took it upon herself to go into quarantine before receiving test results. This employee has not interacted with students, and all other employees who were in contact with her have been subsequently tested negative for COVID-19. All are now in quarantine for 14 days from the date of exposure. All relevant offices have also been disinfected.

We are working constantly to ensure the safety of all students and staff, and ask all who arrive on campus to **wear a mask that fully covers the mouth and nose**, keep a 2 meter distance from other individuals, and frequently sanitize hands by using the sanitizers located throughout the building or washing hands with soap and water.

Following the unfortunate rise in the number of infections in the country and concerns about a second wave of the pandemic, we would like to update you on new guidelines and remind you of the existing procedures required by the government. The Ministry of Health is still emphasizing a general "Return to Routine" plan, but it has also stated that it is considering stricter measures if necessitated for reasons of public health.

These measures could be implemented at short notice and so it is important to follow the Ministry of Health's English [website](#) and other relevant news sources, as well as our own email system. For Hebrew speakers, it is also possible to follow the Ministry of Health's [Telegram](#), which features daily reports and up-to-the-minute updates. Questions regarding the university and coronavirus guidelines may be directed to corona@savion.huji.ac.il.

General Guideline

- **It is compulsory to wear a mask when leaving home (subject to an increased fine of NIS 500)**
- It is compulsory to maintain a distance of 2 meters between people
- Do not enter a public place with fever or respiratory symptoms
- Do not use playground equipment in a park or public area
- Elevators may not have more than 2 occupants at a time: in buildings over 5 stories high, the limit is 50% of the licensed occupancy)

Academic Institutions

- Keep a distance of at least 2 meters
- Masks are required
- Up to 50 people may gather in a space on the condition that each person keeps a distance of 2 meters from other people.
- Hebrew University students must fill out the Health Declaration Form (found [here](#)), and abide by all aforementioned rules and regulations while on campus

Private Transportation

- A private vehicle may hold up to 3 people (including the driver), except for essential medical purposes or a nuclear family

Public Transportation

- Do not sit in the row behind the driver
- Only one person may sit in a row (except for members of the same nuclear family)
- Maintain a minimum distance of 2 meters from other people
- Taxis may carry up to two passengers in the back seat, and the vehicle's windows must remain open

Retail and Other Services (according to Purple Badge rules)

- No more than 50 people are allowed in one place
- In professional meetings and discussions, no more than 50 may participate, and they must keep a distance of 2 meters from others
- When using a place of business for a conference, meeting, event, etc., you must ensure that it works in accordance with the Purple Badge rules

Restaurants, Bars and Clubs

- Up to 100 customers are allowed in the same place, with an exception for spaces with more occupancy (85% occupancy)
- Tables must be located at a distance of at least 1.5 meters from each other
- Dancing is prohibited

Swimming Pools

- 6 sq. meters are required for each swimmer in the pool and 7 sq. meters are required for each guest on the grounds outside the pool
- Do not use the wet sauna and Jacuzzi. The dry sauna is permitted.
- The number of people using the showers and changing rooms must be no more than twice the number of showers

Gyms/Studios

- Entry is not allowed without registration and a health declaration
- Exercise equipment must be cleaned and surfaces disinfected between users
- Chlorine bleach is required; a personal towel is required
- Sauna and Jacuzzi facilities are not to be used

Reception Halls/Event Venues

- Weddings/religious ceremonies: up to 250 people or 85% of the licensed occupancy
- It is required to take one's temperature and wear a mask (except while eating and drinking)
- Tables must be located at least 1.5 meters apart
- An event that is not a wedding or religious ceremony: limited to 50 people and only in an open space

Trips

- Trips and transportation for up to 50 participants are permitted
- Participants must keep a distance of 2 meters from other individuals
- A group living in the same quarters is regarded as a nuclear family, and may sit in adjacent seats on the bus. One seat is to be kept between participants and service providers (driver, guide, security guard, etc.)
- Visits to sites, for example, museums or heritage sites: make sure the site follows the Purple Badge rules in addition to the business license.
- Overnight trips: hostel overnight rules will be subject to the Purple Badge for operating a hotel. Participants will be divided into rooms without making any changes during the entire trip. Make sure that disinfectant materials are available in or near the rooms for the students' use.

As always, the Office of Student Life is here for you – please don't hesitate to contact us! For emergencies please call the Madrich on call number: 054-8820217.



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