

UCCS COVID19 Quick Facts:

Q: What is COVID-19?

A.) This is a novel virus which is spreading across the US. More information can be found at covid19.uccs.edu.

Q: How do I know if I have COVID-19?

A.) If you are sick and experiencing symptoms (fever, shortness of breath) please consult a medical provider by first calling via phone. Additional information on symptoms and prevention can be found at covid19.uccs.edu or [CDC.gov](https://www.cdc.gov)

Q: How can I protect myself and others?

A.) Avoid contact with those who are sick and stay home if you are ill. Maintain at least 6 feet between yourself and anybody who is coughing or sneezing. Avoid touching your face. Clean your hands often. Cover your mouth and nose when coughing or sneezing.

Q: What should somebody do if they believe they've been exposed?

A.) Call a medical provider and follow CDC guidelines, which can be found at covid19.uccs.edu. If you believe you've been exposed and are exhibiting symptoms, do not come to campus, and call before visiting a medical office.

Q: Is there a vaccine or cure for COVID-19 yet?

A.) Not yet, which is one reason we are taking precautions.

Q: What is UCCS doing in response to COVID-19?

A.) UCCS is adjusting policies and procedures, encouraging social distancing, disseminating information and ramping up cleaning policies. We are offering resources to all stakeholders to help arm them with knowledge and other preventative measures.

Q: Can my student travel?

A.) All travel, international and domestic, is restricted through the end of April. Exceptions must be approved by the Provost for academic units and the Vice Chancellor for Administration and Finance for other units. UCCS cannot stop personal travel, but we do recommend our students follow the guidance of the CDC when it pertains to traveling.

Q: Why is UCCS not closing or going fully online at this time?

A.) UCCS is adjusting policies and procedures as the rapidly changing situation unfolds. We are following guidelines set by the CDC, but we are also acting on the best interest of all students, staff and faculty. Our actions or recommendations may shift as new information is learned or guidance is given.

Q: Should I take any specific action or advise my student to take any action at this time?

A.) Please continue to follow recommendations by the CDC. UCCS will continue to adjust and give guidance that will keep the wellbeing of our students, staff and faculty front of mind.

Q: Will the quality of my student's education be impacted? What about hands-on classes?

A.) Our professors are experts in their fields and are issued training on remote learning. While we appreciate the value of in-person education, we are confident that classes transitioned online will be well executed until such a time that they are brought back on campus. UCCS will work with students without access to remote learning materials, and individual deans will be working with faculty and students on decisions regarding hands-on classes or internships. Those decisions may adjust as the situation unfolds.