

Objectives

1. Keep students, faculty and staff healthy by following public health best practices.
2. Minimize disruption of educational progress, particularly for graduating seniors.
3. Participate in community mitigation strategies to slow the transmission of respiratory virus infection.

Since Monday

- Commencement postponed until fall
- Athletics suspended; facilities closed
- All course instruction online for remainder of spring semester.
 - Even small and seminar instruction
 - Faculty finding creative ways for labs, performance, arts courses
- Limited computer labs being reconfigured – Liberal Arts, Library, Business to start with.
- Research guidance promulgated
- Late fees and library fees suspended

Working Remotely

- Lot's of questions
- Developing who IS open and what “open” means in different circumstances
- The university is operating.
- We are protecting health and safety.

Governor's Executive Order

Midnight Friday Through 3 April

- Avoid social gatherings > 10 people
- Gyms, bars, food courts, dining-in restaurants closed
- Drive-through and pick-up food remains
- No nursing home, long-term care, retirement home visits other than for care related m
- All schools temporarily closed: “This does not mean education stops. Online or additional options should be used.”
- Offices and workplaces should remain open.
- Domestic travel not affected
- Non-essential employees should be allowed to work from home.

Student Housing

- Working case-by-case
- Most international students will remain
- Homeless, emancipated foster children, and those not safe at home will stay in student housing
- Out of state students will depend on ability to safely travel to destination
- We have time and flexibility.
- Refunds without impacting financial aid eligibility
- Concerned students? Refer to Residence Life Coordinator

Guidance

- If you feel sick, stay home
- Wash your hands regularly with soap and water for 20 seconds
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth
- Increase space between people in your work area to about 6 feet
- Clean frequently touched objects and surfaces
- Visit utep.edu/coronavirus for updates