

Travel Health & Safety Series – January 12, 2021

PREPARING TO RETURN TO CAMPUS





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RETURN TO CAMPUS UPDATES

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- **On-campus housing will reopen on Friday, January 22,** for students with on-campus housing assignments (more details on housing are below). Vanderbilt Housing and Residential Experience (OHARE) will manage the move-in schedule.
- In addition, students are asked to **stay in the Nashville area and not travel away from campus** for weekend trips through the end of in-person classes and finals.
- **No pre-arrival testing**
 - No pre-arrival testing will be required before return to campus. Based on the learnings from this fall, we expect students' highest risk activities prior to returning to campus are likely to be traveling to campus and engaging in social activities before classes begin, so efforts will focus on arrival testing and a shelter in place protocol.

RETURN TO CAMPUS UPDATES

- **Arrival testing Jan. 20–25 at the Testing Center**
- **Weekly mandatory testing at the Testing Center begins the week of Jan. 31**
- **Asymptomatic close contacts will now quarantine for 10 days.** This has been updated from the previous 14-day quarantine, per CDC guidance, **but comes with additional requirements for days 10 to 14** following exposure.
- For days 10 to 14 after last exposure, Vanderbilt community members identified as close contacts must not unmask at any time in public, including in dining locations, and must wear their mask even in the presence of those in their residence.
- Individuals should eat alone or complete any activities alone that require removing a mask in a private space during those four days.

RETURNING AFTER INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL

- Because the CDC does not currently require a quarantine period for travelers to the United States from abroad, **Vanderbilt will not require this for students who are abroad during the winter break and plan to arrive for in-person on-campus activities for the spring semester.**
- However, a quarantine is required if the person was exposed to the virus during travel. **If the CDC or other local guidelines change for travelers from abroad before students return, the university will implement those changes.**
- The university currently plans for all students, whether returning to campus from abroad or from locations within the United States, to follow all of the same arrival protocols for the spring semester.

LOCAL ACCOMMODATION OPTIONS

| Hotel Property | Rate | Check In Date | Discount Code |
|--|---|-------------------------|----------------|
| Holiday Inn Vanderbilt <i>*A Vanderbilt-preferred hotel</i> 2613 West End Ave, Nashville • Short term booking (less than 5 days) • Long term booking (more than 5 days) | \$50 for longer than 5 days \$75 for shorter than 5 days | 08/01/2020 – 05/30/2021 | INT |
| Hayes Street Hotel 1909 Hayes St, Nashville | \$79 | 07/15/2020 - 02/14/2021 | STUDENT |
| Hilton Garden Inn Nashville Vanderbilt 1715 Broadway, Nashville | \$79 | 11/10/2020 - 01/25/2021 | 2845548 |
| Home 2 Suites 1800 Division St, Nashville | \$69 | 01/09/2021 - 01/31/2021 | INT |
| Homewood Suites by Hilton Nashville Vanderbilt 2400 West End Ave, Nashville | \$89 | 01/10/2021 - 02/07/2021 | VUI |
| Hyatt House Nashville Vanderbilt 2100 Hayes St, Nashville | \$89 | 01/01/2021 - 05/30/2021 | VUINTL |
| Residence Inn by Marriott Nashville Vanderbilt/West End 1801 Hayes St, Nashville | \$75 | 7/17/2020 - 05/10/2021 | No code needed |
| SpringHill Suites by Marriott Nashville Vanderbilt/West End 1800 West End Ave, Nashville | \$50 | 7/17/2020 - 05/10/2021 | No code needed |

Note: The university has negotiated **special rates** with these local hotels to facilitate quarantining or accommodations if needed.

POLICY SHIFTS

NATIONAL POLICY CHANGES

- The U.S. Centers for Disease Control (CDC) changed the recommended time for quarantine of close contacts from 7 to 10 days, down from the 14 day requirement.
 - CDC recommends 7 days with a negative test and 10 days with no test
- The CDC updated its coronavirus travel health notices to include 4 risk levels (previously 3) to better align with the U.S. Department of State's 4 level rating system.
- The CDC issued new testing recommendations specifically for international air travel (details on next slide).

INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL TESTING RECOMMENDATIONS

- Testing before and after travel can reduce the risk of spreading COVID-19. Testing does not eliminate all risk, but when paired with a period of staying at home and everyday precautions like wearing masks and social distancing, it can make travel safer by reducing spread on planes, in airports, and at destinations.
- Get tested 1-3 days before your flight.
- Get tested 3-5 days after travel **AND** stay home for 7 days after travel.
 - Even if you test negative, stay home for the full 7 days.
 - If you don't get tested, it's safest to stay home for 10 days after travel.
- Delay travel if you are waiting on test results.

TRAVEL INDUSTRY UPDATES

- Some airlines and airports are starting to roll out CommonPass, a global platform developed by the World Economic Forum
 - Allows people to digitally document their COVID-19 status through test results, and eventually vaccinations
- Travel Restriction Databases
 - Many airlines have developed websites or databases for passengers to check local restrictions for their destination
- Pre-flight testing programs for domestic destinations with COVID-19 restrictions
- Some major airlines are asking passengers to provide contact tracing information, e.g. United Airlines (domestic), Delta airlines incoming international passengers

AIR TRAVEL – PERSONAL PREPARATION

- Check with your airline about check-in/boarding procedures, when allowed **check-in online and/or use an electronic ticket.**
 - Download the app for your airline(s) and prepare mobile boarding passes. Make sure your phone is charged!
- Allow yourself more time before departure to account for increased wait times.
- Maintain a safe distance from other passengers and airport staff.
- Wear a face mask at all times.
- Pack hand sanitizer and disinfectant wipes in your carry on. Once on your flight, clean your tray table, window shade, armrests, and seat during boarding.
- Remain in your seat as much as possible and minimize movement around the cabin.
- Turn on the air vent above your seat.
- Consider bringing your own food and beverages.
- Review the Global Safety website to check your specific airline's covid-19 policies.

DAVIDSON COUNTY COVID-19 UPDATES

CURRENT STATUS IN NASHVILLE

- Weekly COVID-19 Testing Options
 - This week closed on Monday and Tuesday, due to weather. Open 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. Wednesday – Friday.
- Currently in Phase 3 of Opening
- [Reopening Key Metrics Status](#)
 - **Transmission Rate**
 - **14 Day New Case Trend**
 - **Public Health Capacity**
 - **Testing Capacity**
 - **Hospital Capacity: Floor Beds**
 - **Hospital Capacity: ICU Beds**
 - **New Cases Per 100K Residents**
 - **7 Day Positive Test Rate**
- Community Assessment Centers
 - Nissan Stadium, Lot “N,” 501 S 2nd St., Nashville, TN 37213
 - Meharry Medical College, 918 21st Avenue North, Nashville, TN 37217
 - Former Kmart, 2491 Murfreesboro Pike, Nashville, TN 37217
- There are no current travel restrictions for Davidson County.

TRAVEL AND VACCINE OUTLOOK

EMERGING NEWS

- Since November, the major pandemic development has been vaccine rollout and will impact the travel landscape over the next several months.
- We are also monitoring updates on various covid-19 variants; the newest being the Japanese variant which is similar to the UK variant.
- FDA announced that testing should still be accurate for the UK and South African variants.
- The International Air Transport Association (IATA) announced that it is in the final development phase of the IATA Travel Pass, a digital health pass that will support the safe reopening of borders.
- IATA Travel pass will incorporate four key components: global registry of health requirements, global registry of testing and vaccination centers, a lab app, and contactless travel app for passengers.

HEALTH AND SAFETY RESOURCES

TRAVEL REGISTRATION

- Flight itinerary travel registration through Anvil. This allows both of our offices to track your journey.
- Two methods to register your travel with the Global Safety office:
 1. Email Parsing (preferred method)
 - Forward your original confirmation email or e-ticket directly to VanderbiltTrip@anvilgroup.com
 2. Email completed spreadsheet on the global safety website to tandra.martin@vanderbilt.edu
 - Found on the “Travel Registration” tab

VANDERBILT INCIDENT RESPONSE FOR TRAVEL (VIRT)

- The VIRT team is led by Andrea Bordeau, Global Safety and Security manager.
- VIRT provides critical, personal, and time sensitive guidance to travelers facing emergency situations while away from campus.
- For non-emergency situations, questions, or concerns email us at VIRT@vanderbilt.edu
 - e.g. missed connection, travel guidance, etc.
- **24/7 emergency line +1 615-322-2745**
 - When you call the number you will be routed through VUPS, asked to answer a few questions, indicate your location, and then you can let the dispatcher know you need to reach VIRT.

EXTENDED HOURS: DROP-IN CONSULTATIONS

- From January 4 – January 22 you can drop-in to open office hours with Andrea and Tandra to ask any questions related to travel and returning to campus in January.
- This week's schedule
 - **Wednesday**, 7–9 a.m.
 - **Thursday**, 7–9 a.m. and 7–9 p.m.

HAPPENING THIS WEEK



International Travel
Sessions

10 a.m. and 8 p.m.

Wednesday, January 13



Domestic Travel Session

11 a.m. **Thursday, January 14**



Register on Anchor Link or find the links for each session on our website.

HELPFUL LINKS

- Global Safety Website: <https://www.vanderbilt.edu/global/global-safety/>
 - [Pandemic Travel Guidance](#)
 - [Upcoming Events and Drop-In Hours](#)
- Vanderbilt [Return to Campus website](#)
- Individual Consultations with Global Safety Team
 - Email Andrea or Tandra directly to schedule a time to meet.
- flynashville.com/nashville-airport-authority
- [Flying with a REAL ID](#)

QUESTIONS?



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