

Dear teachers,

We are happy to report some positive news. In the press conference last Friday, January 14, it was announced that the lock-down will be lifted. This means that all education is allowed on campus again, with a maximum group size of 75 students.

In this letter, we would like to inform you about:

- Medical mouth-nose masks
- Education on Monday January 17
- Education in period 3
- Students in quarantine
- Quarantine regulations
- Exams
- Travel policy

### **Medical mouth-nose masks**

The rules for wearing mouth-nose masks have been tightened. Wearing a (medical) mouth-nose mask is now mandatory at all times in all university buildings, no matter whether you are sitting, standing or walking. This means that students always need to wear mouth-nose mask in class, during self-study and during exams. You don't have to wear a mouth-nose mask if you are lecturing in front of the classroom and keep a distance of at least 1.5 meter.

It is strongly recommended to wear a medical mouth-nose mask (type II, IIR or ffp2), since these masks protect both you and your students in case of a corona infection. From Tuesday January 18 onwards until at least the 28th of January, the university will provide medical mouth-nose masks in all buildings, for both teachers and students. On Monday January 17, medical mouth-nose masks will be available for practicals, as in previous weeks.

### **Education on Monday January 17**

On Monday January 17, lectures, tutorials and computer practicals will still be held online, since this gives teachers and the scheduling department the time to alter their schedules if necessary. If you deem it necessary to already give your course on campus this Monday, that is possible. But, make sure to inform your students on time and you can only use the rooms that are already scheduled for your course.

### **Education in period 3**

It is up to the course coordinators to decide if they want to teach on campus or continue their education online for the rest of period 3. For most courses, the [current schedule](#) assumes on campus teaching for most courses from January 18 onwards.

If you want to make changes to the current schedule, please inform the Scheduling Department no later than Monday January 17.

### **Students in quarantine**

Currently, a lot of students are in quarantine or isolation and therefore cannot come to campus; some courses have up to 20% of students in quarantine.

You are not required to provide an online alternative for your on-campus education. However, when an online alternative can be easily made available for this group of students, then we would like you to offer this option to students.

As soon as more students are protected by a booster, we expect that the number of students in quarantine will decrease

### **Quarantine regulations**

Please note that different quarantine rules apply for:

- people who had a booster shot at least one week ago;
- or had corona less than eight weeks ago;
- or have worn a medical mask during contact.

Most quarantine rules are more relaxed. See also the most recent version of the 'Can I Come to Campus' for the details. Together with our Municipal Health Service (GGD) we updated the checklists for [students](#) and [staff](#) to reflect these new rules effective immediately.

It will take up to 1 week for government agencies to update all their websites, so for the time being you can follow our checklist.

### **Exams**

Students are required to wear a disposable (medical) nose-mouth mask during on-campus exams, also when seated.

The following existing regulations remain in place:

- Students who need to quarantine, can contact the examiner until 16:00h the day before the exam with a request to take an off-campus/online exam. Considering the high infection rates, more students will probably be in quarantine than in the past few months.
- The examiner decides what type of off-campus (online) alternative will be offered.

### **Travel policy**

There is no change in travel policy. Study-related travel is allowed to countries with green or yellow travel advice. In certain individual cases, an exception can be made for travel to (Corona-related) orange countries. Students can only travel to orange countries after successful completion of [the permission procedure](#).

If you have any questions on Corona-related subjects, please send an email to [info@corona.nl](mailto:info@corona.nl).

We ask you to forward this mail to those involved in your course who are not teachers.

Kind regards,

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