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CLAS Health and Safety Guidelines for Teaching Labs and Classrooms

General instructions for sanitizing the area

The UF custodial staff will clean, sanitize and disinfect teaching labs and classrooms prior to the first session each morning. Time permitting, the custodian will disinfect again during the day. Sanitizing wipes will be made available for wiping surfaces between each teaching session. Use the wipes on all surfaces, electronic items, or instruments that are touched.

Teaching Labs

- When possible open and close doors with elbow. Minimize touching doorknobs or handles.
- Keep 6 ft distance from each other at all times
- If possible, do not share equipment with others. If equipment is shared, it must be wiped down prior to use with sanitizing wipes
- Do not share supplies with others
- Place personal items and backpacks in the area designated by the instructor, or in a locker, if available
- Wear face masks at all times making sure to cover the mouth and the nose
- If gloves are used as part of the lab teaching session, discard according to the protocol of the lab.
- Disposable gloves will be provided for cleanup and sanitizing at the end of the teaching session. These must be discarded in no-touch waste containers. Students are responsible for sanitizing all surfaces they touched in the teaching lab. Faculty/staff are responsible for sanitizing all other surfaces touched
- No open toe shoes allowed in a teaching lab this is not really a COVID change. This is a standard lab safety requirement
- Depending on the nature of the teaching labs, students may be required to provide and wear personal goggles
- No food or drink allowed in the teaching lab this is not really a COVID change. This is a standard lab safety requirement
- No animals other than service animals* allowed in the teaching lab.
- After leaving the teaching lab, wash your hands

Classrooms

- Keep 6 ft distance from each other at all times
- Do not share equipment with others
- Do not share supplies with others
- Place personal items and backpacks in the area designated by the instructor, or in a locker, if available
- Wear face masks at all times making sure to cover the mouth and the nose
- No food or drink allowed in the classroom.
- No animals other than service animals* allowed in the classroom
- After leaving the classroom, wash your hands.



*Under the ADA, a service animal is defined as a dog that has been individually trained to do work or perform tasks for an individual with a disability. The task(s) performed by the dog must be directly related to the person's disability. An emotional support, therapy, comfort, or companion animal is not considered a service animal.