

Sotheby's

INSTITUTE OF ART

Summer Institute 2023 COVID-19 Policy and Procedures

COVID-19 Vaccination Requirements

Sotheby's Institute of Art (SIA) requires all staff and students to have received the primary series of an FDA-approved or WHO-approved vaccination against COVID-19 before attending orientation or classes. Booster shots are recommended. Students will upload proof of COVID-19 vaccination through SchoolDoc.

FDA and WHO-Approved Vaccines:

- The Pfizer/BioNTech Comirnaty vaccine
- The SII/COVISHIELD and AstraZeneca/AZD1222 vaccines
- The Janssen/Ad26.COV 2.S vaccine developed by Johnson & Johnson
- The Moderna COVID-19 vaccine (mRNA 1273)
- The Sinopharm COVID-19 vaccine
- The Sinovac-CoronaVac vaccine
- The Bharat Biotech BBV152 COVAXIN vaccine
- The Covovax (NVX-CoV2373) vaccine
- The Nuvaxovid (NVX-CoV2373) vaccine

Medical Exemptions to COVID-19 Vaccination Requirements

Exemptions to COVID-19 vaccination requirements for medical reasons may be granted in limited circumstances and will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis. Exemption requests must be received at least 2 weeks prior to the start of term. The Institute will notify students by email if the exemption request has been accepted or rejected. In the case of an accepted medical exemption request, the student must follow all current Institute guidelines contained within this policy.

To request a medical exemption to the COVID-19 vaccination requirement, the student must submit a letter signed by a certified/licensed medical provider describing the student's medical condition that prevents the student from receiving the COVID-19 vaccine.

The letter must certify to the following:

- The student is the patient of the medical provider;
- The medical provider has reviewed the student's medical history;
- The student has a medical condition that contraindicates them from receiving any of the available FDA- or WHO-authorized COVID-19 vaccinations.

The letter must also provide contact information for the medical provider (name, address, telephone and email). The letter must be sent by email to sia.exemptions@sia.edu.

COVID-19 Testing

Pre-Arrival Testing: Students will be required to show proof of a negative COVID-19 test (molecular or antigen) administered and documented by a health professional (i.e., doctor, pharmacist) within 48 hours prior to their arrival on campus. Test results should be provided to SIA staff in person upon arrival. Students who arrive without a test result will be required to source and complete a test at their own expense before they can check-in. Students who test positive for COVID-19 in the 48 hours before their scheduled arrival may not attend Summer Institute, and will be subject to the SIA refund policy. Students who are unable to attend due to COVID-19 may be offered deferral to a later term, where available, or a credit towards tuition and fees for Summer Institute in 2024, at the Institute's discretion.

Testing During the Program: If students present symptoms commonly associated with COVID-19, they will be required to undertake a COVID-19 test under staff supervision. Students must report positive COVID-19 test results to SIA staff immediately. If a student tests positive, they must follow the Institute's isolation protocol (see below). If a student tests negative, no further restrictions will be placed upon the student.

Students are required to bring a minimum of **three** rapid COVID-19 tests with them. Any additional rapid tests required will be made available to students at an additional cost.

Students Who Test Positive: Isolation Protocol

Students who test positive during the program will be required to remain in their room and to take precautions to prevent the spread of COVID-19 (e.g., frequent hand-washing, use of hand sanitizer, mask-wearing in the presence of others). In line with CDC guidance, isolation will end based on how serious the student's COVID-19 symptoms are. Loss of taste and smell may persist for weeks or months after recovery and need not delay the end of isolation.

- If the student had no symptoms, they may end isolation after day 5 (day 1 is the first full day following the day the student tested positive).
- If the student had symptoms and those symptoms are improving, they may end isolation after day 5 if they have been fever-free for 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medication (day 1 is the first full day after symptoms started, regardless of when the student tested positive).
- If the student's symptoms are not improving after day 5, isolation will continue until they are fever-free for 24 hours (without the use of fever-reducing medication) and their symptoms are improving.
- If the student had symptoms and experienced moderate illness (shortness of breath or difficulty breathing), they will be required to isolate through day 10 or the end of the program, whichever comes first.

- If the student had symptoms and experienced severe illness (requiring hospitalization), parent(s)/guardian(s) will be required to take responsibility for their student's needs and wellbeing, including healthcare and other arrangements, as well as transportation and accommodation for students who leave the program early, at their own cost.
- Regardless of when students end their isolation, they will be required to wear a high-quality mask (N95, KN95 or equivalent) until at least day 11 and continue to take precautions to prevent the spread of COVID-19.
- With written permission from their parent(s) / guardian(s), students may return home or move off-campus, and will be able to participate remotely in a dedicated online SIA program.

Students are required to bring a minimum of **one** high-quality mask (N95, KN95 or equivalent) with them. Any additional masks required will be made available to students at an additional cost.

SIA staff will deliver food and drink to students in isolation three times per day. Other items may be provided at the student's expense. Daily wellness checks will be undertaken by SIA staff, with the assistance of a nurse where required. SIA staff will accompany students to medical appointments or emergency services if necessary. Students can contact SIA staff at any time by calling the Welcome Desk or the Overnight Emergency Line. While in isolation and unable to attend class and other in-person activities, students will be able to participate in a dedicated online SIA program.

If a student continues to have symptoms or test positive for COVID-19 past the end of term, the student's parent(s) / guardian(s) must arrange for their return home or for accommodation off campus at their own cost. Students may not remain on campus past the end of the program.

Contact with Students Who have Tested Positive

A student sharing a room with a student with COVID-19 will be required to wear a high-quality mask (N95, KN95 or equivalent) outside of their rooms at all times with other people present. They are encouraged to take common sense precautions (e.g., frequent hand-washing or use of hand sanitizer). Students will be required to test if they begin to display symptoms commonly associated with COVID-19.

Those who have been exposed to a person with COVID-19 but are not displaying symptoms commonly associated with COVID-19 will not be required to test. They are encouraged to wear a mask and take common sense precautions to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

Unvaccinated Students (Medical Exemption)

Masking is strongly recommended for those students who are unvaccinated and have received an exemption to the vaccination requirement. Unvaccinated students are encouraged to take common sense precautions to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

Masking

For those students who have tested positive for COVID-19 or are sharing a room with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19, masking is required outside of their rooms at all times with other people present. Masking will continue until day 11 following exposure or a positive test. Students are also expected to take common-sense precautions to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

Masking is encouraged for those who have been exposed to someone who has tested positive for COVID-19.

Students are required to bring a minimum of **one** high-quality mask (N95, KN95 or equivalent) with them. Any additional masks required will be made available to students at an additional cost.

Compliance and Enforcement

All students are required to follow the policies detailed in this document. Students that do not comply with the SIA COVID-19 Policies and Procedures are subject to disciplinary actions up to and including dismissal from the program, without a refund. If a student is dismissed from the program, the student's parent(s) / guardian(s) must arrange for their return home or for accommodation off campus at their own cost.

Updates to Guidance

These Policies and Procedures may be updated at the discretion of SIA in line with any updated guidance received from the FDA, WHO, CDC, State or City agencies, and FOUND Study.

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