Dear Returning and New Students,

I hope that your summer has started well. We are very much looking forward to seeing you this coming fall. I write to you now to provide details regarding delivery of courses for the upcoming fall semester. Please read the below information carefully.

Options for students in campus-based degree program (MS, MAHA, PhD, and SWM)

1. Almost all courses will be delivered in the classroom.
   a. A very small number of courses will be delivered exclusively remotely and not in the classroom.

2. Students who are able to come to campus for courses and activities should plan to participate on campus.
   a. This applies to students residing in the U.S. and many other countries.
   b. Options for remote participation in courses delivered on campus will not be available to students who are able to come to campus.
   c. If you are unable to adhere to this requirement for the fall, please email nutritionregistrar@tufts.edu to discuss when you will be able to return.

3. International students should review the International Center’s guidance regarding COVID-19 found at https://icenter.tufts.edu/immigration/covid-19/ as well as other information on the Center’s website.
   a. For questions about your visa, contact Neriliz.Soto_Gonzalez@tufts.edu.

4. Students who are absolutely unable to come to campus will be offered options to participate remotely in a limited number of courses.
   a. This applies, for example, to students who are unable to come to campus due to a travel ban or inability to obtain a visa.
   b. Students should submit reasons that prevent them from coming to campus to nutritionregistrar@tufts.edu for review.
   c. Options for remote participation will be available for some required courses but options for elective courses will be very limited.
   d. We do not recommend that new students who are unable to come to campus at the beginning of the fall semester defer starting their education at the Friedman School. However, if you wish to discuss the option of deferring your start until January 2022, please contact nutritionregistrar@tufts.edu.

Policies and Procedures for Return to Campus in September 2021

1. COVID-19 vaccination, or exemption to vaccination, is required for students to participate in on-campus courses or activities.
   a. Proof of vaccination should be submitted to SAHA-Imm-Admin@tufts.edu. Please submit your documentation as soon as possible.
   b. All vaccines approved by another country or the World Health Organization (WHO)
will be accepted as meeting Tufts’ requirement for vaccination.
c. Individuals who have received a non-WHO approved vaccine may be offered one approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration (FDA).
d. Students who have not had the opportunity to be vaccinated prior to arrival will be assisted in meeting the requirement upon arrival. Students may come to campus during the vaccination period.
e. Students requesting medical or religious exemption must complete and submit the OEO immunization exemption form.
f. Tufts University’s COVID-19 vaccination information and policies can be found at COVID-19 Vaccination Information.

2. **All individuals, whether vaccinated or not, are required to wear masks indoors except when alone in an office or when eating.**

3. **Quarantine and Testing**
   a. COVID-19 testing and quarantine upon arrival may be required for some students.
   b. All students participating in on-campus courses or activities will be required to undergo weekly COVID-19 surveillance testing at one of the Tufts testing sites.
   c. See [Testing at Tufts](#) for details of requirements for testing and quarantine upon arrival as well as regular surveillance testing.

For questions about the above guidance, please contact nutritionregistrar@tufts.edu.

We wish you the best for a happy and healthy summer.

Sincerely,

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