July 7, 2021

Dear Cal State LA International Students:

We understand this is a difficult time for you as an incoming Cal State LA international students. International Programs and Global Education (IPGE) wants to provide you with as much information as possible so that you can make a well-informed decision regarding your health and safety.

The COVID-19 situation is improving in California and Los Angeles County. The State officially reopened on June 15, 2021, including schools, theme parks, restaurants, theatres, public parks among other locations and destinations. Please follow these guidelines when in California and Los Angeles:

- Face coverings are still required in certain public facilities. **Watch for signs that tell you to wear a face covering.**
- At Cal State LA, you will see signs about requirements for face coverings placed on/in buildings, elevators and stairwells, and across campus.
- When on campus, face coverings are required when you are indoors.

**INTERNATIONAL VACCINES**

The decision about international vaccines is currently under deliberation at the California State Chancellors (CSU) Office. We will update our website once we receive more information. Please note that anyone in the United States who is 16 years of age or older can receive a vaccine, irrespective of immigration status. For more University-specific information, please visit this [CSU web page](#).

We are not able to advise you on receiving a vaccine in the United States or in your home country. However, you can find current information and rules pertaining to the United States and local authorities below:

- [Centers for Disease Control](https://www.cdc.gov) (CDC)
- [Los Angeles County Department of Public Health](https://publichealth.lacounty.gov)
- [Cal State LA Health Watch](#) website

Please know that you can receive a vaccine in the United States. You will not be asked about your immigration status.

- Free COVID-19 vaccinations are available for individuals ages 16 and older at any [Los Angeles County Vaccination Center](https://lacounty.gov/health/vaccine) or any City of Los Angeles Vaccination Center.

You can find the latest information on vaccination and quarantine requirements for international travelers entering the United States at:

- [CDC International Travel During COVID-19 web page](https://www.cdc.gov/travel/coronavirus)
- [Los Angeles County Department of Public Health web page](https://publichealth.lacounty.gov)
For information about returning to campus, please visit and bookmark the Cal State LA Health Watch website.

Thank you for your patience and understanding. Please visit the IPGE Alert web page, https://www.calstatela.edu/international/international-programs-and-global-engagement-ipge-alert, often for more updates as we receive them.

Sincerely,

Cal State LA’s International Programs & Global Education Team