

### **Vaccinations**

Though the FDA has not yet granted full approval of Covid19 vaccines, once that happens, SUNY has declared that it will mandate that all students are vaccinated. We strongly encourage students who have not yet done so to consider vaccination as soon as possible. There are current policies in effect for unvaccinated individuals including required masking, weekly testing, and for students- pre-arrival testing.

### **Masking Policy**

The current Upstate University masking policy is that vaccinated individuals may choose to not wear a mask in non-patient facing areas. HOWEVER, due to transmission concerns, particularly with the delta variant, in order to ensure that as much of your instruction can occur in person as possible, we have decided that we will start the year with universal masking for medical students. **All MS1 and MS2 students must wear a mask regardless of their vaccination status.** This includes orientation and all classes. Lecturers may choose to remove their masks, at a distance, while they present their material.

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