

The American University of Paris

Student Leadership Sanitary Protocol Fall 2020

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Student Leader Health and Safety Training

During the first two weeks of classes (September 23rd – October 7th), all student leaders will have to complete a mandatory online training that will include a section on the following sanitary restrictions for student events.

Student leaders include members of the Student Government Association, Club Presidents, AUP Student Media and Student Publication Editors, Service Organization Leaders, and one-time event organizers. All Student Athletes should refer to guidelines set by the Athletics Office.

Student Health: Reminders & Precautions

- A student who feels ill should not come to school, nor will any student with a fever or Covid-19 symptoms be allowed to remain on campus. Students who experience symptoms of Covid-19--notably fever and a cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, chills, muscle aches, fatigue, headache, congestion or runny nose, sore throat, loss of taste or smell, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea--should notify the AUP Health Office (Monday through Friday during working hours), or use our International SOS app (anytime of day, 24/7) which can either make an appointment for them with one of our referral doctors. In France, Covid-19 testing and tracing will most often be initiated through the *médecin traitant* system; health providers will track symptoms and report to public health. Testing for Covid-19 is a free service under French public health decrees for anyone covered by French Social Security and is readily available without a prescription in laboratories, both private and public across France. Test results are available within 24-48 hours, generally via the internet. First-semester new students and others whose Social Security applications are still being treated will need a prescription from a doctor. AUP will also have a doctor on campus two half-days a week who will be available to see students, assess their health situation, and write prescriptions for testing, if necessary.
- Students are covered by our International SOS contract, and will receive instructions on how to install the app during Orientation. Students may access the app at any moment of the day or night, during the school semester or when on vacation or traveling, to receive help with a suspected Covid-19 diagnosis. The medical personnel answering the phone will help you determine whether you need emergency support (an ambulance to take you to a hospital emergency room) or whether you should see

a doctor at the earliest possible moment. The team can make appointments, arrange services, and also advise on isolating or quarantining. It liaises with the AUP Student Health Office.

- Students who are identified as having come in contact with someone who tested positive for Covid-19, will be required to self-isolate (even without symptoms), following their classes remotely during the interim from home. AUP's Health Office will support any students who find themselves in this situation; we will have special accommodations available for students who have to isolate or quarantine.
- We recommend that all students download the StopCovid app developed by the French government which—without violating strict European privacy laws—can notify you if your phone indicates you may have been exposed to the virus.
- If a student contracts Covid-19, he or she will be followed by French public health authorities and will not return to campus until cleared by his or her health care provider or *Assurances Maladie* (the French national health system within which teams manages tracing, isolating, testing and thereby containment of outbreaks). Any student who falls ill will also be followed by AUP's Health Office liaising with any of the above services. Before returning to school, students will require a doctor's note.
- We are currently researching the advisability and legal requirements for thermal camera temperature reading of all campus-entering individuals, and will institute such if this measure is deemed appropriate.

Participation in Student Leadership Activities

- Masks will be required for all people present on campus, including during optional extra-curricular activities.
- Students must practice physical distancing during student meetings, even while wearing masks, and ideally remain in the same seat throughout the event.
- Hand sanitizer will be supplied at the entrances to buildings and in classrooms. All participants should use hand sanitizer before entering a classroom for a student event.
- An open door policy will prevail throughout the campus. Classroom windows should be left open during club meetings, even if there is noise outside or the temperature is cooler than inside (we will return to this point in the winter when temperatures will be more drastic).
- Food is not allowed at student events until further notice. Every member of the AUP community must eat in the food-designated areas (Amex and the 8th floor).
- AUP students must follow all French government health recommendations for the practice of barrier methods that inhibit transmission of Covid-19: frequent handwashing, regular use of sanitizing gel and wipes, use of disposable tissues, covering the mouth and nose in the event of coughing or sneezing...

Student Leader Obligations

- Student-organized events will require approval in from the Student Leadership Office.
- All events are currently limited to **25 people or 50% of the room's capacity.**
- To request approval for an event, the student leader must go through the normal event submission process on AUP Engage and wait for approval from the Student Leadership Office. Please note that the approval process may take 48 hours.
- Student leaders will also be required to track attendance through AUP Engage within 48 hours.
- Large group events involving outside guests will not take place on campus this semester.
- Requests for a single guest speaker or facilitator will be approved on a case-by-case basis. Requests must be sent the student leadership office via email at least one week in advance. Guests who have not been approved by the Student Leadership Office will not be allowed in the building by campus security.
- Meetings should be replaced by video calls to the maximum extent possible.
- Food may not be served at student events. Every member of the AUP community must eat in the food-designated areas (Amex and the 8th floor).
- Failure to comply with these exceptional sanitary restrictions may result in the deactivation of the entire club.

The Amex Café

The Amex Café will observe the rules established by the French government for all cafés and restaurants in France, including:

- No service at the bar – only table service will be permitted
- A minimum of 1m distance between tables, including outdoors
- No more than 10 people at a single table
- Clients must wear masks when moving around, and may remove them only when seated
- Personnel must wear masks at all times

The Music Room

The music room is closed in the month of September. Sanitary guidelines for the music room will be announced when it reopens.

Off-campus events

- Student clubs must obtain special permission to hold events off-campus. Any off-campus event that is not authorized by the university will not be considered a club event and cannot benefit from university resources such as SGA funds, funding through Engage, or help with planning.
- Student clubs cannot advertise off-campus events or partner with outside organizations until further notice.

- Student-led travel/accessing the student budget to fund club-related travel is not permitted until further notice.

Responsibility to Report

- As part of our campus-wide effort to keep our campus and community safe, and in an effort to ensure the health and safety of the entire AUP community, students are invited to report the behavior of any individual who does not appear to be adhering to the AUP safety protocols. If this situation should arise, please contact Marc Monthéard, AUP's VP for Student Services and Security (mmontheard@aup.edu).
- In the event of that a club leader would not adhere to the sanitary protocol during a club event, please also contact the Student Leadership Coordinator, Safia Benyahia (sbenyahia@aup.edu)
- Our greatest aid to maintaining a healthy campus is the responsibility of every single member of the AUP community to report symptoms and/or contact with suspected or real cases of Covid-19, and to support the efforts of tracing and testing. The ready availability of tests in France and the rapid return of result make it possible to react quickly and to limit the propagation of the virus in real time.
- Students who come forward will always be treated by our staff with the greatest compassion and support, and confidentiality whenever possible.