

TWU COVID-19 Declaration

On March 13, 2020, in response to the global pandemic caused by COVID-19, Trinity Western University moved all of its instruction and most of its services online. On March 18, 2020, the Government of British Columbia declared a province-wide state of emergency to protect the health and safety of all British Columbians and to reduce the spread of COVID-19, which is easily spread by contact with droplets produced by people who have the virus. Since then, following the recommendations of federal and provincial health authorities, TWU has been focused on preparing its campuses for the BC Phase 3 Re-opening.

On May 7, 2020, the day after BC published its [BC Restart Plan](#), TWU President Dr. Mark Husbands initiated a series of taskforces to help prepare for fall 2020. One of these was the Health and Safety Taskforce. Building on work done since January 2020 by the TWU COVID-19 Response Team, members of this taskforce met almost daily through May and August with the following mandate: "To provide clear direction to TWU leaders regarding how to safely re-open and run TWU campuses in a way that reduces the spread of COVID-19." The work culminated in a [TWU COVID-19 Safety Plan](#) in alignment with [BC Go Forward Guidelines](#).

As part of the TWU COVID-19 Safety Plan, TWU is asking all employees and students to complete a COVID-19 Training Tool which includes the following Declaration:

BEFORE I COME TO CAMPUS I WILL:		
1	Screen myself daily for COVID-19	✓ Use BCCDC Self-Assessment Tool
2	Stay home if I'm Feeling ill	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ No exceptions ✓ This includes coughing or sneezing for allergies ✓ If you live on-campus, stay in your private living space
3	Self-Isolate when required	✓ Follow BCCDC Self-Isolation requirements including if you are a contact or have been travelling outside of Canada
WHEN ON CAMPUS I WILL:		
4	Practice physical distancing	✓ Stay 2 meters away from others in all public interactions
5	Wear a mask when necessary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Keep a cloth or other non-medical mask with you ✓ Wear a mask if you cannot keep a safe distance
6	Clean my hands	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Wash your hands or use sanitizer regularly ✓ Keep hand-sanitizer with you
7	Clean shared surfaces	✓ Follow directions re: high-touch surfaces, shared equipment
8	Not share food	✓ No buffets, no shared utensils, no open bowls
9	Cover my cough	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Cough or sneeze into your elbow ✓ Throw used tissues into the garbage and wash your hands
10	Follow occupancy limits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Aim for 30% occupancy for most spaces ✓ Keep furniture spaced to allow 2 metre distance
11	Get outdoors	✓ Take advantage of open air for socializing
12	Stay informed	✓ Pay attention to signage, news updates, and announcements