

SIMMONS UNIVERSITY
COVID-19
ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RISK

I acknowledge that, while Simmons University has undertaken reasonable precautions to lessen the risk of transmission of COVID-19 to reopen its academic and/or residential campuses and resume educational, residential, and co-curricular activities, Simmons cannot guarantee that any individuals or facilities are free from the COVID-19 virus and that there may be unmitigated risks related to COVID-19 in connection with being on campus and/or participating in Simmons' programs and/or activities.

I acknowledge and agree that I am required to comply with the below terms and conditions during the COVID-19 crisis. I understand that my failure to do so may endanger myself and others, and may result in my being barred from campus facilities and activities and subject to other disciplinary measures.

I acknowledge that the COVID-19 outbreak has been identified as a pandemic. I further understand that COVID-19 is a highly contagious disease, and that contact with the virus that causes COVID-19 may result in significant personal injury or death.

I acknowledge that returning to campus to resume educational, residential, and co-curricular on- and off-campus activities (including any related travel) carries with it certain inherent risks related to COVID-19 transmission ("Inherent Risks") that cannot be eliminated regardless of the care taken to avoid such risks.

Inherent Risks may include, but are not limited to: (1) the risk of coming into close contact with individuals or objects that may be carrying COVID-19; (2) the risk of transmitting or contracting COVID-19, directly or indirectly, to or from other individuals; and (3) injuries and complications resulting directly or indirectly from COVID-19 range in severity and can include death.

I acknowledge that there are certain risks inherent in my participation in educational, residential, and co-curricular activities on and off campus, including, but not limited to, risks arising from:

- Participation in in-person lecture or laboratory classes
- Participation in athletics, to the extent any occur
- Use of any on-campus facilities, including but not limited to the Athletics Center and the Library, if/when they are open
- Living on the Simmons Residence Campus
- Use of shared equipment such as computers, printers, and copy machines in public spaces
- Use of high-touch areas such as elevator buttons, banisters, doorknobs, etc.

- Attendance at any University events, including those hosted at off-site, such as athletics competition
- Any circumstance in which social-distancing may be difficult to maintain or in which socializing may occur, even when social-distancing guidelines are strictly maintained
- Travel to and from campus

I acknowledge that I must follow all rules, regulations, and safe practices established by Simmons University, including, but not limited to, those relating to testing, and quarantine and isolation requirements. Additionally, I acknowledge that I must also follow all laws, rules, and regulations required by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, the City of Boston, and the federal government. Further information can be found on the following website: <https://www.simmons.edu/coronavirus>.

I acknowledge that COVID-19 guidance from federal, state, and local governmental authorities, as well as public health experts and agencies, is evolving. I understand and acknowledge that the measures taken by Simmons to protect its community may change in response to changes in recommendations or changes in the course of the COVID-19 pandemic. I am responsible to comply with all rules and regulations as they exist now, and as they may exist in the future.

I acknowledge that despite reasonable efforts by Simmons University to mitigate risk, I may come into contact with someone on or off campus who is contagious with COVID-19 and/or I may contract COVID-19. By signing this acknowledgment, I agree that while Simmons is taking steps to mitigate risks associated with COVID-19, Simmons cannot offer a risk-free environment on or off campus.

I acknowledge that I voluntarily agree to participate in the on-campus Simmons community despite the risks associated with COVID-19, including, but not limited to, the specific risks described herein.

I acknowledge and agree that Simmons reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to modify its educational, residential, co-curricular, and other programs for its students at any time, including without limitation, its right to provide any of the education and co-curricular programs remotely.

Student Name (Please Print)

Student or Legal Guardian Signature

Date