

LONG ISLAND UNIVERSITY

Dear Members of the LIU Community,

The health of our students, faculty and staff is our highest priority. We understand that the recent news of the additional confirmed cases of the Coronavirus disease (COVID-19) in New York is concerning, and want to assure you that we have been working with all the proper health authorities to take every necessary precaution for the safety of our community.

As previously communicated, LIU officials have set up a task force that is meeting twice daily to evaluate the spread of Coronavirus disease (COVID-19) around the globe and in the United States. The task force, following guidelines established by federal, state and local health agencies, is charged with emergency preparedness should the virus reach our community. The group is addressing how this virus could affect our community, studies, and work. All decisions are based upon guidance and protocols set forth by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control (CDC), and federal, state and local health authorities.

UPDATED TRAVEL POLICIES

Please take note of our updated travel guidelines and policies which we have adopted out of an abundance of caution:

- All upcoming **non-essential University-related international travel is suspended through the end of the semester**. This includes all faculty and student travel, including but not limited to conferences and study abroad programs. For students who would earn credits from these experiences to graduate in May, alternative arrangements to earn credits are being made.
- **University-related travel after the end of the semester, may be subject to cancellation.**
- Students who are currently in study abroad programs in areas not classified by the CDC as Level 3 may remain abroad to complete their programs. We will reassess this policy as the situation evolves.
- When planning personal international travel be mindful of the potential associated risk of disruptions to your ability to reenter the United States. We advise all community members to consult travel guidance from the CDC prior to and during your trip and make every effort to stay up-to-date regarding often fast-changing governmental regulations (<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/travelers/index.html>).
- LIU community members **will be required to self-quarantine for 14 days before returning to campus if they have been to areas designated as Level 3 Travel Advisory by the CDC.** (<https://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/notices>)

CAMPUS-WIDE POLICIES

- We are continuing to be vigilant about cleaning processes. LIU facilities department is following CDC guidelines for cleaning and facility maintenance.
- Any member of the LIU community who is living in the same household as an individual currently under self-quarantine must also, out of an abundance of caution, self-quarantine for a period of 14 days prior to returning to campus.

PREVENTIVE GUIDANCE

The best way to prevent illness is to avoid being exposed to this virus. However, as a reminder, the CDC recommends daily actions to help prevent the spread of respiratory diseases, including:

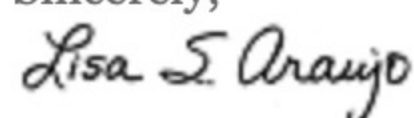
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth.
- Stay home when you are sick.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces using a regular household cleaning spray or wipe.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, especially after going to the bathroom; before eating; and after blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing.
 - If soap and water are not readily available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol. Always wash hands with soap and water if hands are visibly dirty.
- All faculty and staff should contact their healthcare provider if they become sick.

Below are additional resources to find updated information about the symptoms and current recommendations for the Coronavirus disease (COVID-19).

- [CDC: Coronavirus](#)
- [World Health Organization: Coronavirus](#)
- [New York State Health Department](#)
- [Local NYS County Health Departments](#)

We will continue to provide the LIU community with updates. Please check your emails and our website (<https://liu.edu/coronavirus>) for the most current information. If you have not already done so, take this opportunity to sign up for [LIU Emergency Alerts](#).

Sincerely,



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