



UW 2021 Summer Campus Plan

University of Wyoming recently published its 2021 Summer Campus Plan in response to the COVID pandemic. Over the course of several announcements, Human Resources will highlight the major elements of the plan. The entire plan can be found: <http://www.uwyo.edu/ALERTS/files/docs/uw-summer-plan.pdf>. Today's focus is Gatherings and Events.

Gatherings and Events

As soon as WDH lifts its order or provides the University an exception to the order, whichever is first, University Gathering Guidelines will sunset. The use of masks or face coverings and social distancing will be recommended, but not required. Event participant numbers will still be limited to 50% of the total venue capacity as determined by the University.

Participants in conferences/camps held on the University campus are to follow the University's COVID-19 policy. All conference/camp participants (or their parents/legal guardians, for those under 18) are required to sign a waiver/assumption of risk document that includes information pertaining to a risk of exposure to COVID-19. For those conferences/camps that are not owned or operated by the institution, conference/camp organizers are required to name the University of Wyoming as a benefited party to the waiver.

Conference/camp organizers are responsible for tracking attendee information and collecting/maintaining records of camp waivers. Conference/camp organizers may also chose to require participants to provide proof of a negative COVID test. Various resources are available to conference/camp organizers to assist them with their testing needs, including:

- The University Public Testing program (<https://www.uwyo.edu/alerts/covid-19/public-testing/>);
- Free VAULT testing from the State of Wyoming ([website](#)); and
- Local medical clinics including but not limited to: Grand Avenue Urgent Care, Stiches Acute Care Center, and Walgreens.

The University further recommends that when possible, conference/camp organizers should consider:

- Virtual or hyflex options for event attendance.
- Limitations on the group size to the extent possible.
- Limitations on any nonessential visitors, volunteers, and activities involving external groups or organizations, especially with individuals who are not from the local geographical area.
- Utilization of UW Catering for food service due to their COVID related safety training and precautions.
- Communication efforts geared to participants who are higher risk for severe illness, alerting them of their ability to request accommodations or virtual offerings.

Additional details regarding Gathering Guidelines can be found: <https://www.uwyo.edu/ALERTS/campus-return/gathering-guidelines.html>.