

Classroom Protocol for Students

UPEI has developed several plans and protocols to ensure that face-to-face teaching and learning can be conducted safely during the COVID-19 pandemic. The University has worked closely with the PEI Chief Public Health Office (PEI-CPHO) to develop a protocol for the safe use of classrooms. This Protocol will be updated as needed to reflect current PEI-CPHO guidance. Class sizes will vary; however, each class must follow the same protocol. Prior to attending their first in-person class during each semester, students must log into Moodle where they will be directed to update their contact information.

The following measures are in place to protect the health and safety of students and instructors participating in face-to-face classes:

1. Students and instructors will be required to wear a three-layer mask in all campus buildings, including in classroom settings. Wearing a mask is not an option, but a mandatory requirement.
2. Instructors and students who are presenting may remove their masks when speaking or performing (voice or woodwind/brass) if they are physically distanced by a minimum of 2 metres/6 feet. For all others, masks are mandatory in teaching spaces regardless of physical distancing.
3. Students are asked to limit what they bring to the classroom. All items such as knapsacks, purses, coats, etc., must be placed under or on the student's seat, or on the adjacent seat.
4. No food or beverages are permitted in the classroom. Masks must remain on while in the classroom therefore no drinking of water or other beverage is permitted.
5. Students and instructors are reminded to follow public health etiquette and to maintain 2 metres/6 feet physical distancing whenever possible.
6. A hand sanitizer station will be available at each building entrance and exit. Also, each classroom will be outfitted with COVID-19 supplies such as disinfectant, paper towel, hand sanitizer, and three-layer masks (if classroom occupants require a replacement).
7. Classrooms will be cleaned each day and frequently-touched hard surfaces will be disinfected by custodial staff. These include:
 - Table/desk surfaces
 - Hard-surface seats
 - Arms of seats
 - Workstations
 - Keyboard/mouse/monitors
 - Podiums