

BAC ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dear BAC Community ~

Happy New Year to each of you! It is with great pleasure that I welcome you to our Spring 2022 semester—I look forward to greeting many of you on campus in a safe and socially distanced manner!

Please read this message carefully as it is a follow-up to my December 23, 2021, communication regarding important updates for Spring 2022 semester. This message details the BAC's vaccination and booster requirements, and an updated mask mandate. Weekly surveillance testing protocol requirements will be addressed in our next communication.

As part of our #WelcomeBAC2Campus initiative, it is important to remind you of our existing protocols and share some important updates outlined in this email, which also appear on our [COVID-19 page](#). These updates are key to working without disruptions in a safe and healthy environment.

As our community navigates through COVID-19 and its variants, especially the highly contagious [Omicron](#), we must all remain vigilant. Therefore, beginning with the Spring 2022 semester, the BAC will require all individuals regularly on campus—three or more times per semester—to demonstrate they are fully vaccinated and have received a COVID-19 booster. This must be completed within two weeks of an individual's eligibility to receive the COVID-19 booster based on [CDC guidelines](#).

In addition, BAC community members regularly on campus, who were vaccinated outside of the U.S. and received a [COVID-19 vaccine](#) not approved or authorized by the FDA, will also be required to receive a COVID-19 FDA-approved booster dose at least five months after their last COVID-19 vaccination or the latest CDC guidance, whichever is shorter. This must be documented within two weeks of the individual's eligibility.

Along with the booster requirement, the BAC continues to require any individual regularly on campus—three or more times per semester—to provide documentation of completed COVID-19 vaccination.

Please find instructions for uploading your documentation:

- Students—Upload COVID-19 vaccination or booster documentation by logging into the [Student Forms Portal](#), clicking UPDATE in the 'Immunization Submission & Status' box, and uploading a photo of the vaccination or booster record. Please contact [Richard Griswold, Associate Vice President, Dean of Students](#) if you have any questions.
- Faculty and Staff—[Paycom](#) will send a notification directing faculty and staff members to upload COVID-19 vaccination or booster documentation. Please contact [Nancy Murphy, Interim Human Resources Leader](#), if you have any questions.

Regardless of vaccination status, everyone must properly wear a minimum of a 2-ply surgical mask, or a KN-95 mask or an N-95 respirator while on the BAC campus. Free surgical masks will be available at the BAC's 320 Newbury Street reception area. Please refer to the [CDC for proper use of face masks](#).

You may also refer to the [BAC's COVID-19 page](#) for more resources such as the surveillance testing schedule, frequently asked questions, [vaccination locations](#), and additional links to local and national public guidelines and health agencies.

Thank you for cooperation and understanding for a successful start and uninterrupted operation this Spring semester.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mahesh Daas', with a stylized flourish above the name.

Mahesh Daas, President and ACSA Distinguished Professor