Revised COVID-19 Policies

This set of protocols will take effect on January 25, 2023. Amendments to these protocols will occur as pandemic conditions and CDC responses to those conditions change.

Preventive Care Policies

- Vaccination: Covid-19 Vaccination strongly recommended.
- Masking: Wearing of masks follows CDC guidelines. When transmission levels are medium or low, all public gatherings on both campuses (e.g., classes, chapel) are face mask optional.

Policies for Individuals Who have been Exposed

- Persons aware they have been exposed to COVID-19 should wear a high-quality mask for 10 days and get tested on Day 5.
- Self-quarantining is not required.

Testing Positive or Demonstrating Symptoms

Symptomatic individuals will seek immediate testing for the COVID-19 virus. In accordance with CDC guidelines,

- Persons who have COVID-19 should isolate from others regardless of vaccination status.
 - You should also isolate if you are sick and suspect that you have COVID-19 but do not yet have test results.
 - If your results are positive, follow CDC's full isolation recommendations.
 - If your results are negative, you can end your isolation.
- Persons who test positive for COVID-19 should stay home for at least 5 days, isolate from others at home, and wear a high-quality mask when around others at home and in public.
 - o If after 5 days you are fever-free for 24 hours without the use of medication, and your symptoms are improving, or you never had symptoms, you may end isolation.
 - Regardless of when you end isolation, avoid being around people who are more likely to get very sick from COVID-19 until at least day 11.
 - o You should wear a high-quality mask through day 10.
- Persons who test positive for COVID infection will notify Jamie Cook in the Office of Human Resources and their immediate supervisor if faculty or staff. Richmond Students will notify Susan Blanchard; Charlotte students will notify Sally Herlong.

Please also recognize that as circumstances change throughout the academic year, these policies will be updated as appropriate.