



***What is the University doing to protect the NU community?***

The health and well-being of the University community is our top priority, and a variety of University officials are continually monitoring reports from the CDC and World Health Organization (WHO) to stay up to date. The University has proactively moved all March classes online to limit exposure and interactions at all campuses.

- Advised employees of the World Health Organization's (WHO) currently recommended health and safety precautions. These include
  - Wash hands often, with soap and water, for at least 20 seconds
  - Avoid touching eyes, nose, or mouth with unwashed hands
  - Avoid close contact with people who are sick
  - Cover your coughs or sneezes with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash
- Encouraged sick employees to stay home (*please use your sick time*)
- Limited work-related travel – if you can do the work remotely then please do not travel.
  - The CDC has established geographic risk-stratification criteria for the purpose of issuing travel health notices for countries with COVID-19 transmission and guiding public health management decisions for people with potential travel-related exposures to COVID-19. Check the [CDC's Traveler's Health Notices](#) for the latest guidance and recommendations for each country to which you will travel. We encourage employees to work with their immediate supervisors to review and follow the [CDC's travel recommendations](#).
- Increased the rate/frequency of cleaning at our facilities. We have added Day Porters to continuously wipe/disinfect doors, elevators, restrooms, and stair handrails.
- Adding additional hand sanitizer dispensers – please note we are expecting the dispensers/sanitizer during the first week of April due to high demand and shortages.
- Increased the approval of sick time for those who have reached their annual limit
- Increased the number of staff members working remotely to prevent the potential spreading of germs and promote social distancing.