

(The Meeting is Being Recorded for Posting Online)

COVID-19: Guidance for the UD Research Community

Virtual Town Hall

Monday, September 20, 2021

1–2 pm



Agenda

1. Campus News & Events
2. State of Delaware Updates
3. UD COVID & Research Updates
4. Questions – Zoom Q&A



Submit your questions using the Zoom Q&A Function

Delaware Environmental Institute (DENIN)



Holly Michael

Unidel Fraser Russell Career Development
Chair for the Environment
has been appointed the new director of DENIN

DELAWARE INBRE

PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR SEARCH



September 20 – 9 a.m.

Melinda Duncan

Professor

Biological Sciences

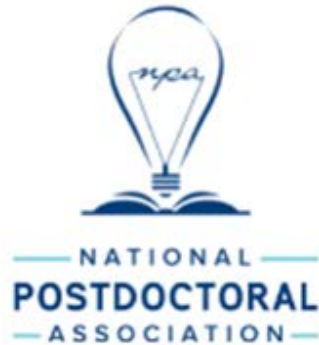


September 23 – 9 a.m.

John Jeka

Professor

Kinesiology & Applied Physiology



National Postdoc Appreciation Week

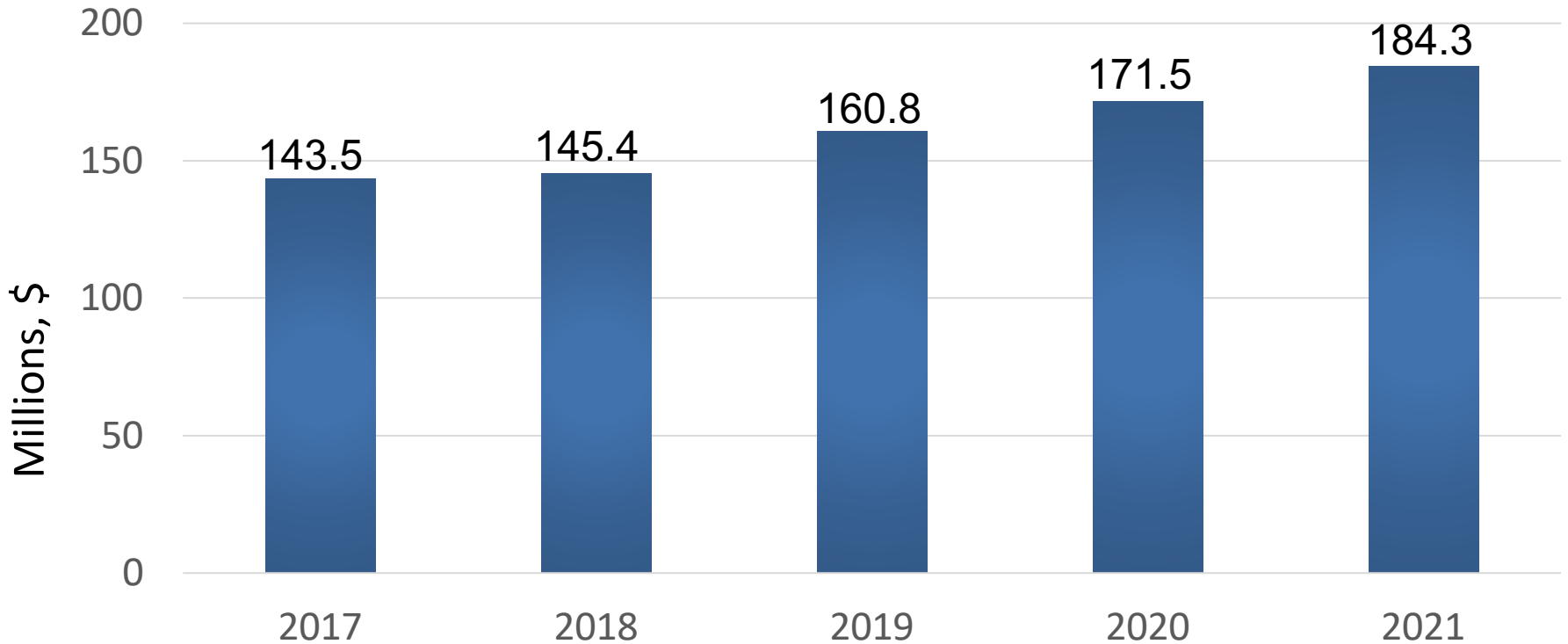
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FY21 Research Snapshot

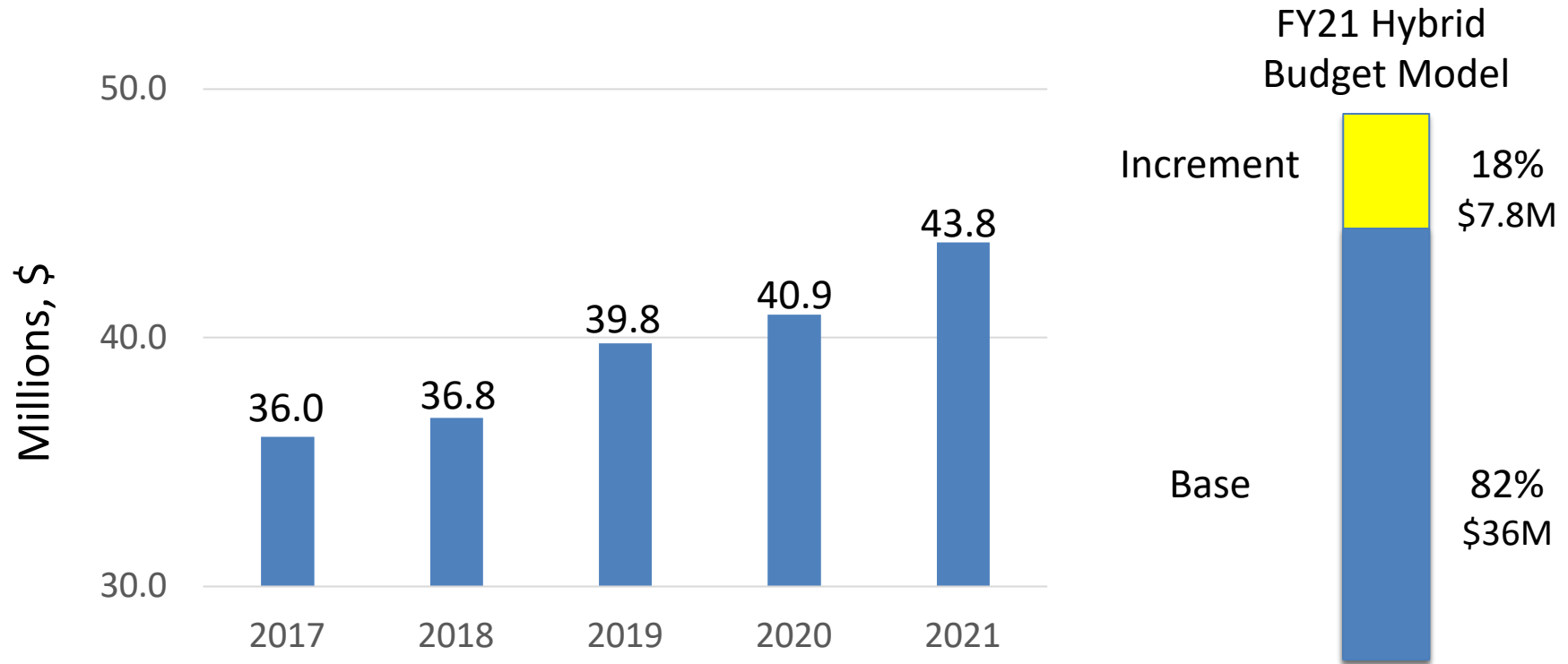


Another Record-Setting Year of Accomplishments

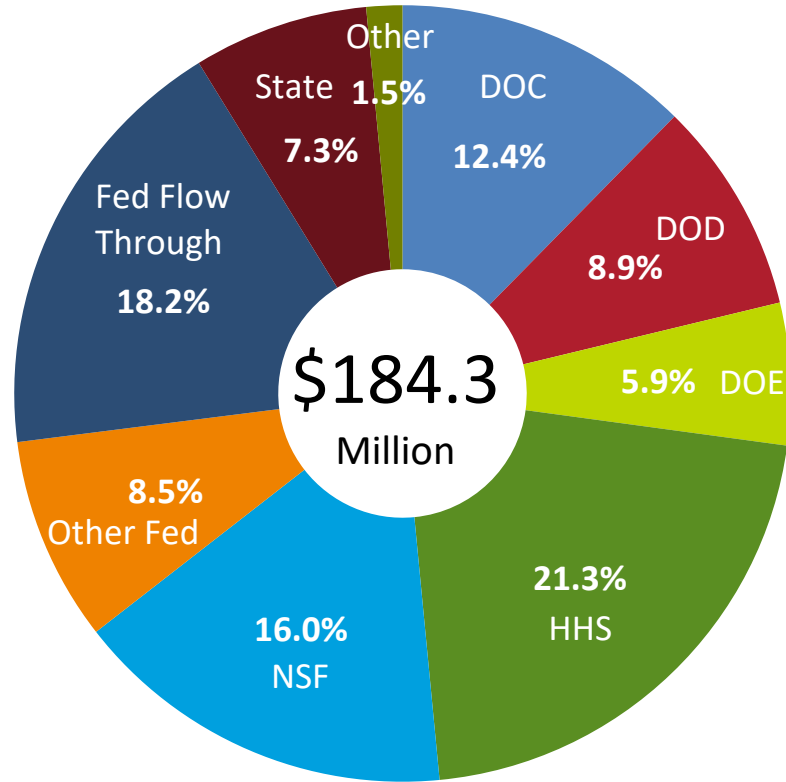
Sponsored Research Expenditures



Facilities & Administrative Reimbursements



FY21 Sponsored Research Expenditures





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National Science Foundation



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U.S. Department of Agriculture



UD RANKS 70

U.S. Department of Defense



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National Aeronautics & Space Administration

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FY21 Commercialization Metrics (FY20)

32 (47)
Disclosures
Received

26 (39)
Provisional
Applications

17 (27)
Utility/PCT
Applications

13 (12)
Patents Issued

7 (5) Licensing
Agreements

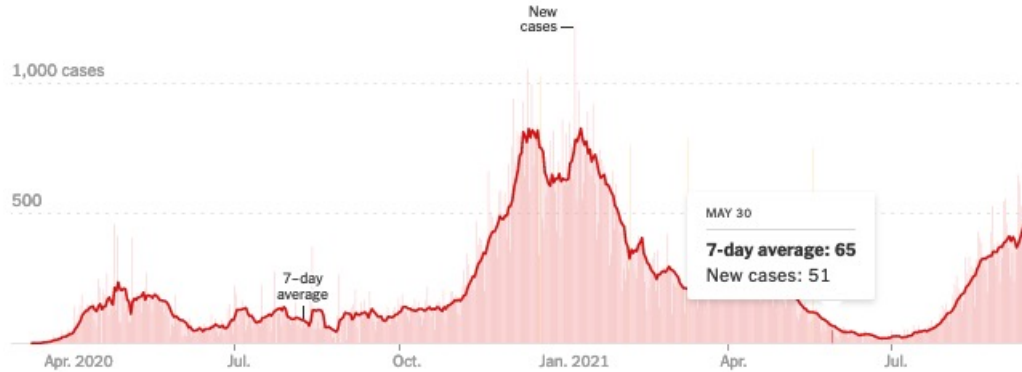
4 (2) Start-Ups
Launched

\$2.4 M (\$600k)
Licensing
Revenue

COVID-19 Updates

State of Delaware Statistics

Data reported 9/20/21



These are days with a reporting anomaly. Read more [here](#).

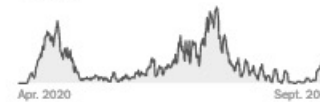
Tests



Hospitalized



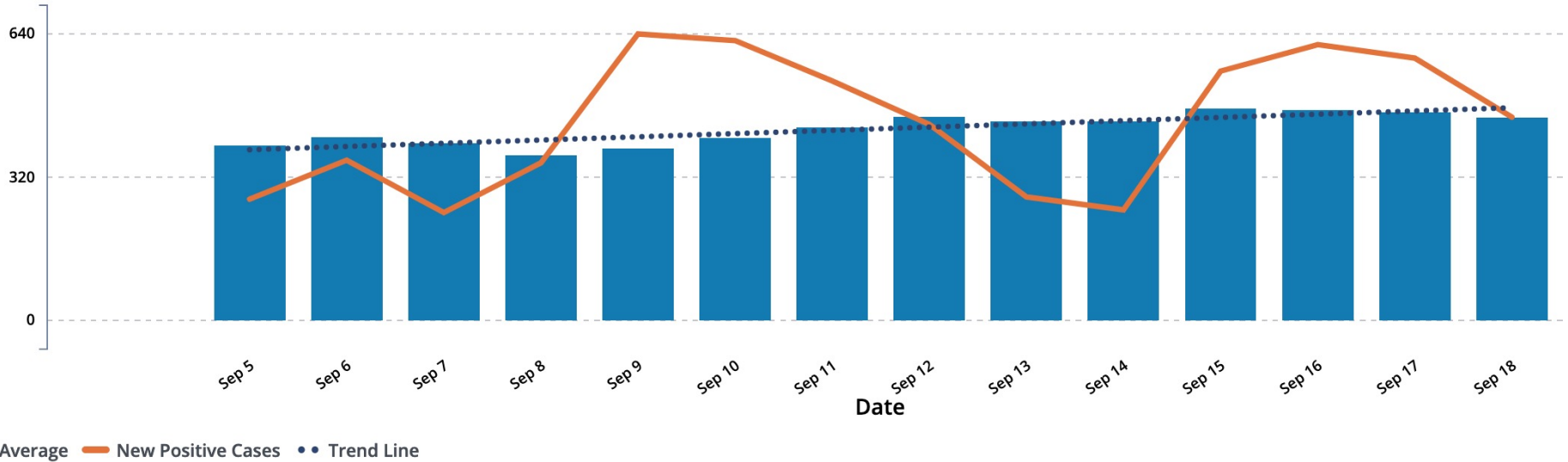
Deaths



	DAILY AVG. ON SEPT. 19	14-DAY CHANGE	TOTAL REPORTED
Cases	450	+9%	128,253
Tests	5,852	+11%	—
Hospitalized	283	+9%	—
Deaths	3	+43%	1,920

COVID-19: Delaware

New Cases



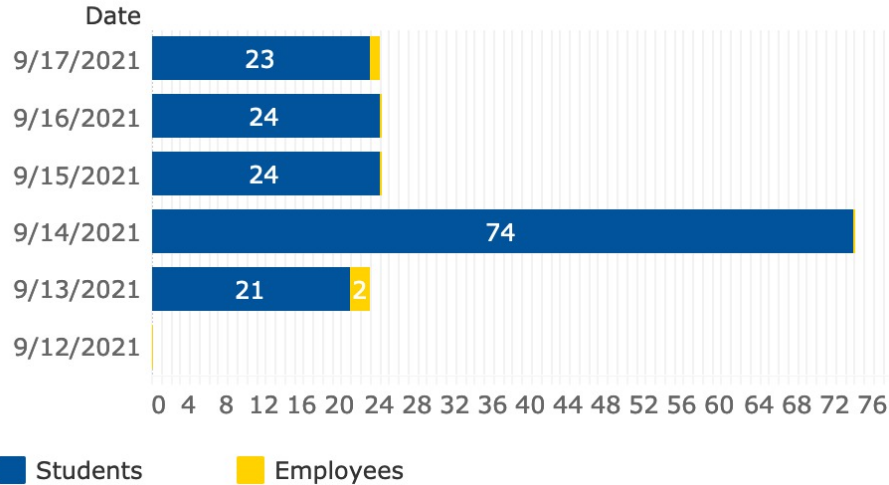
Percent Positive = 7.7%

UD COVID Dashboard

Data reported 9/19/21

Daily New Positive Cases

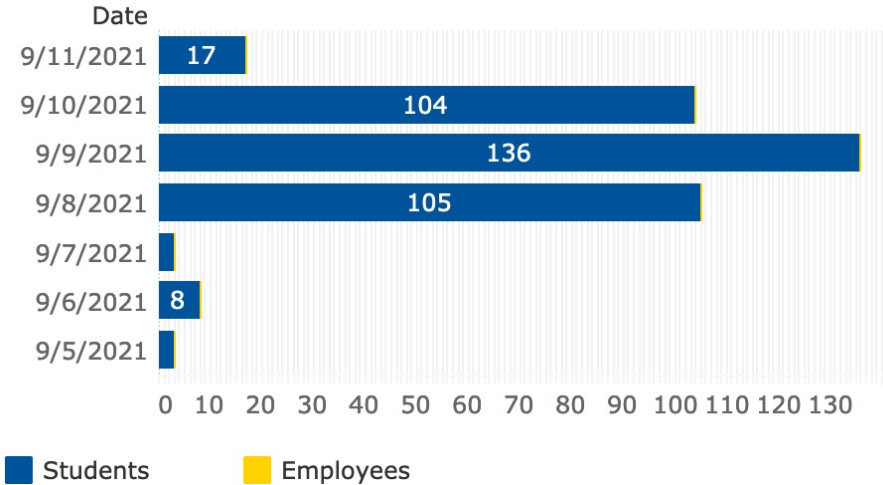
Week Filter



Last Week

Daily New Positive Cases

Week Filter



Two Weeks Ago

Vaccinations

All students* are required to be vaccinated.

All employees* are strongly encouraged to be vaccinated.

Unvaccinated students and employees are required to test weekly.

UD continues to monitor the latest guidance (including boosters) and will communicate updates in a timely manner.

Goal: Immunize as many people as possible.

*medical and religious exemptions

VACCINATION RATES: STUDENTS

as of August 25, 2021

95%

students whose vaccination status
is documented

91%

students are fully vaccinated

VACCINATION RATES: EMPLOYEES

as of September 15, 2021

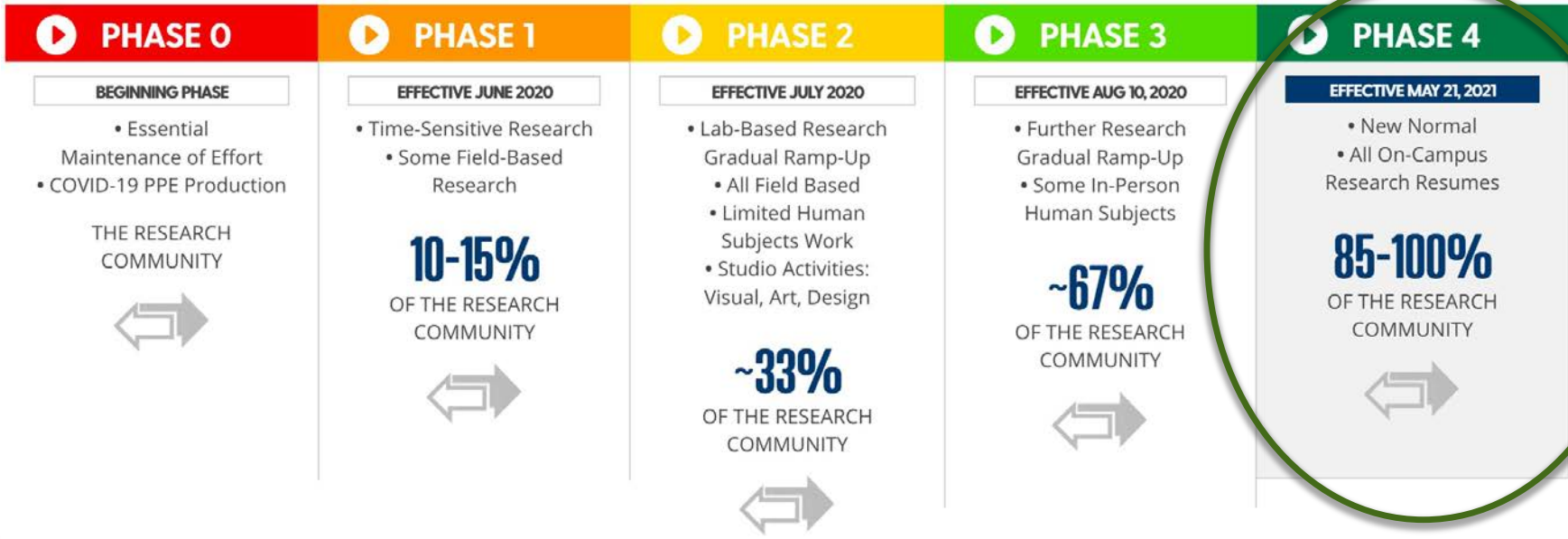
85%

employees are fully vaccinated

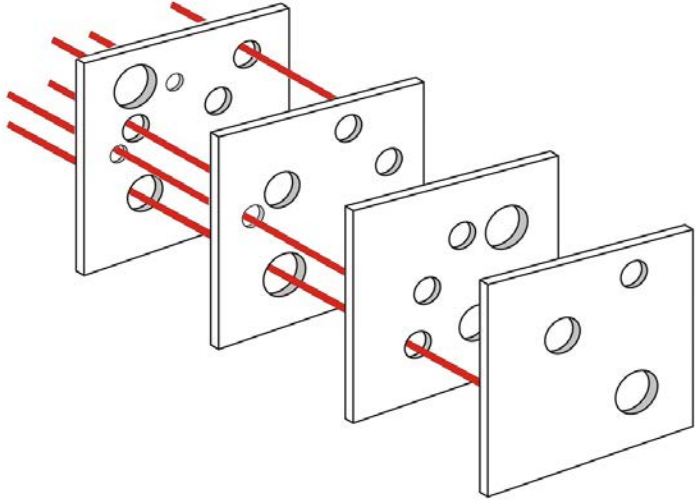
88%

employees on campus in the last 7 days
are fully vaccinated

All employees are encouraged to upload their vaccination documentation. [Vaccination Portal](#)



COVID-19 Risk Mitigation



- Vaccination
- Cloth face coverings
- Physical distancing
- Daily health screening
- Hand washing
- Testing
- Contact tracing
- Isolating
- Quarantining

Research Phase 4: Campus Guidelines



All campus building are reopened.

All on-campus/on-site research is permitted — no application required — including undergraduate research, computational research, in-person human subjects research, and extension/outreach activities.

Campus Guidelines

Pilot Building Access Program: The UD Police Department (UDPD) continues to assess and refine its program initiated this fall to maximize the safety of the members of the UD community and the security of campus property.

As part of the project, only select doors and ADA-approved entryways are being unlocked at most buildings on the campuses in Newark and Lewes.

It should be noted that all doors — locked or unlocked — are still available for people to exit buildings at all times.

To report a concern or provide additional feedback, email both AcademicCustodial@udel.edu and buildingaccess-udpd@udel.edu.

UD Events Guidelines



Effective Sept. 10th. All attendees, 12 and older are required to show proof of full vaccination or a negative COVID-19 test result within 72 hours.

All attendees, 12 and older are required to show proof of clearance via the Daily Health Screen.

Campus Guidelines



Masks are now required in all indoor facilities at UD, with limited exceptions.

All faculty, staff and students accessing UD facilities are required either to provide proof that they have been fully immunized against COVID-19 or to continue to comply with weekly testing protocols.

Campus Guidelines

Health Screen Compliance Checks are being performed at

- Morris Library
- Little Bob
- Football Games
- Performances
- Pencader, Caesar Rodney and Russell Dining Halls



Instructors, at their discretion, can ask students in their classes to show the “green check.”

Masking Guidelines

An instructor or speaker in a classroom or meeting setting.

I'm fully vaccinated: In classrooms, large meeting rooms, and multipurpose rooms, podium presenters who are fully vaccinated may, at their discretion, remove their masks while presenting if they can maintain adequate physical distancing and other attendees are masked.

I'm not fully vaccinated: Wear a mask while speaking from a podium in a classroom, multipurpose room, or other meeting venue.

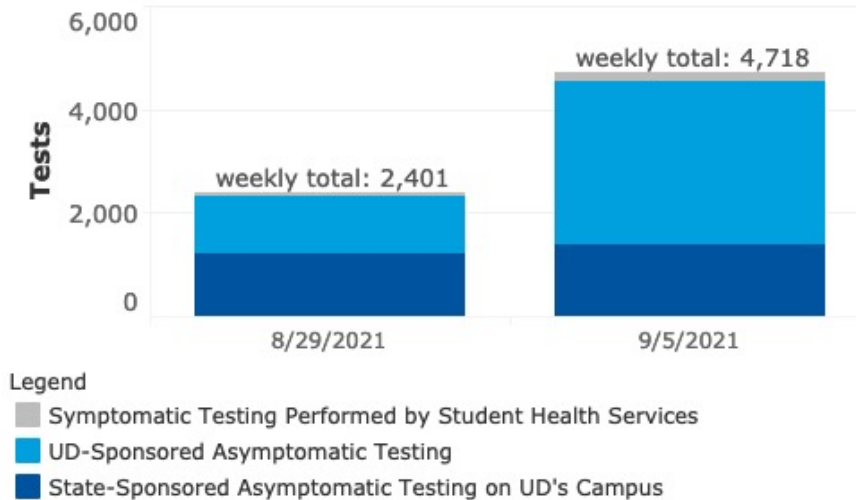
Masking Guidelines

Attending a UD event off-campus.

I'm fully vaccinated: Please continue to follow all UD guidelines. If the local/venue requirements are more stringent than UD guidelines, please adhere to those requirements.

I'm not fully vaccinated: Please continue to follow all UD guidelines. If the local/venue requirements are more stringent than UD guidelines, please adhere to those requirements.

Campus COVID-19 Testing



Surveillance testing for asymptomatic individuals only.

Mondays through Thursdays. Registration required. No walk-ups.

Harker ISE Lab, 9 am–12:45 pm <https://udel.edu/book/harker-ise-lab>

Pencader 115, 10 am–1:45 pm <https://udel.edu/book/universityofdelaware600>

Research, Scholarship & Creative Activities

Travel Guidelines

UD employees and students are strongly encouraged to participate virtually in research activities/conferences, whether domestic or international, and postpone research travel whenever possible.

Effective August 18, only **international research travel requests** will require Research Office approval using this [application form](#), which includes detailed questions, affirmation that all travelers are fully vaccinated.

Domestic research travel continues to be permissible as necessary — application form is no longer required.

Questions

Submit your questions via the Zoom Q&A



Fall Research Town Halls

Mondays, 1–2 pm

October 18th

November 15th

December 13th

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