

(The Meeting is Being Recorded for Posting Online)

# Research Virtual Town Hall

Monday, October 18, 2021

1–2 pm



# Agenda

1. Campus News & Events
2. Disaster Research Center
3. COVID-19 & Research Updates
4. Questions – Zoom Q&A



Submit your questions using the Zoom Q&A Function

# Teach In & Listening Session: Cultivating Campus Safety

Tuesday October 19<sup>th</sup>  
4–6 p.m.  
[Mitchell Hall](#)



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**GRADUATE COLLEGE  
TOWN HALL**

for Graduate Students and Postdocs

Thursday October 21<sup>st</sup>

11 a.m. – noon

# Disaster Research Center



**Tricia Wachtendorf**  
Professor, Sociology  
& Criminal Justice



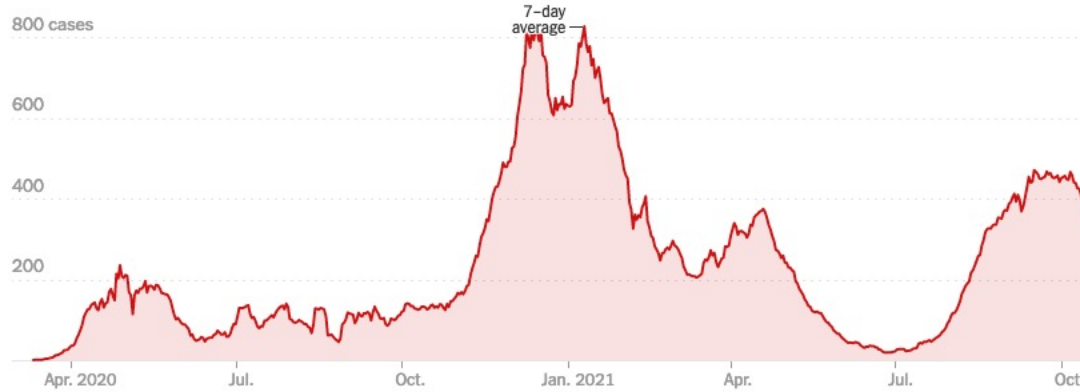
**James Kendra**  
Professor, Biden School



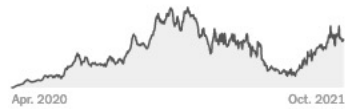
# COVID-19 Updates

# State of Delaware Statistics

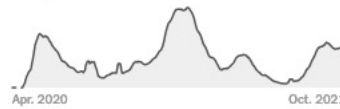
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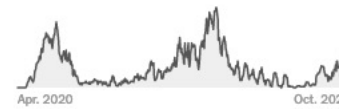
**Tests**



**Hospitalized**



**Deaths**



DAILY AVG. ON OCT. 17

14-DAY CHANGE

TOTAL REPORTED

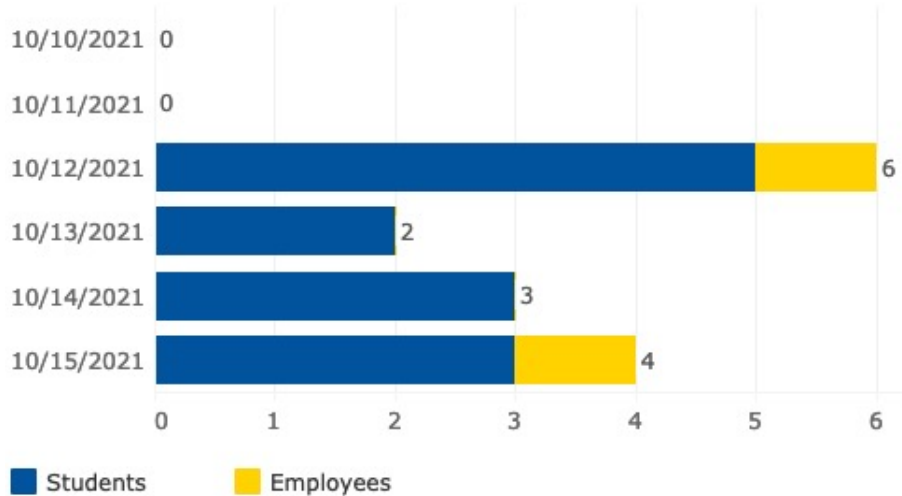
Cases	325	-29%	139,874
Tests	6,169	+14%	—
Hospitalized	229	-8%	—
Deaths	5	+17%	2,032

# UD COVID Dashboard

Data reported 10/18/21

## Daily New Positive Cases

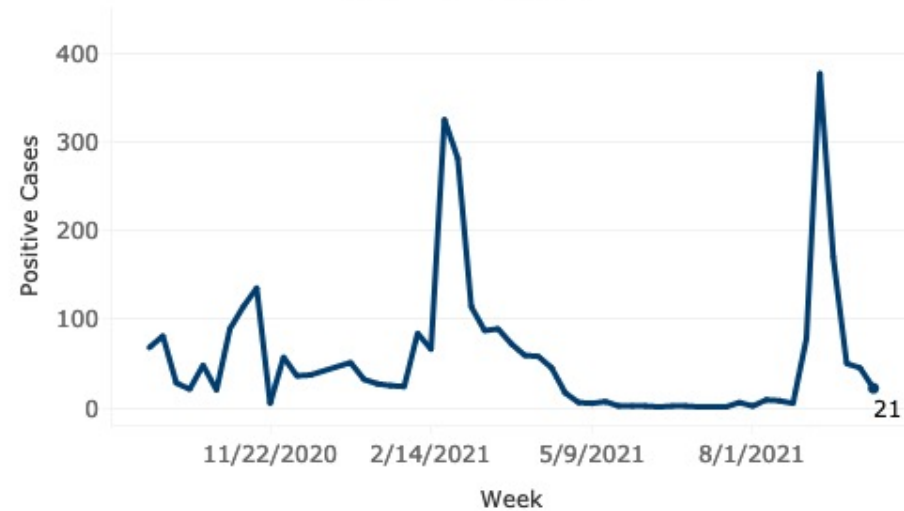
Week of 2021-10-10



Last Week

## Positive Cases by Week

Employees and Students





# Vaccination Rates

**91%**

students are fully  
vaccinated

**87%**

employees are fully  
vaccinated

**91%**

employees on campus in  
the last 7 days are fully  
vaccinated

Vaccination rate of employees on campus in the last 7 days is updated each weekday.

# Employee Vaccination Requirement

All employees are required to be **fully vaccinated** by December 8<sup>th</sup>.\*

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

**Goal:** To keep campus safe by immunizing as many people as possible.

\*medical and religious exemptions  
Exempted individuals are required to test weekly.

# Employee Vaccination Requirement

The University of Delaware is deemed to be a federal contractor and required to comply with the [White House Executive Order](#) dated September 9<sup>th</sup> with [guidance](#) issued by the Safer Federal Workforce Task Force on September 24<sup>th</sup>.

UD has more than 175 active contracts and contract-like instruments totaling ~\$360M.

Applies to all employees, full and part-time, working in the US, regardless of location (explicitly includes work from home), even those not working directly on the contract.

Applies to sub-contracts.

# UD Events Guidelines



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

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

# Campus Guidelines

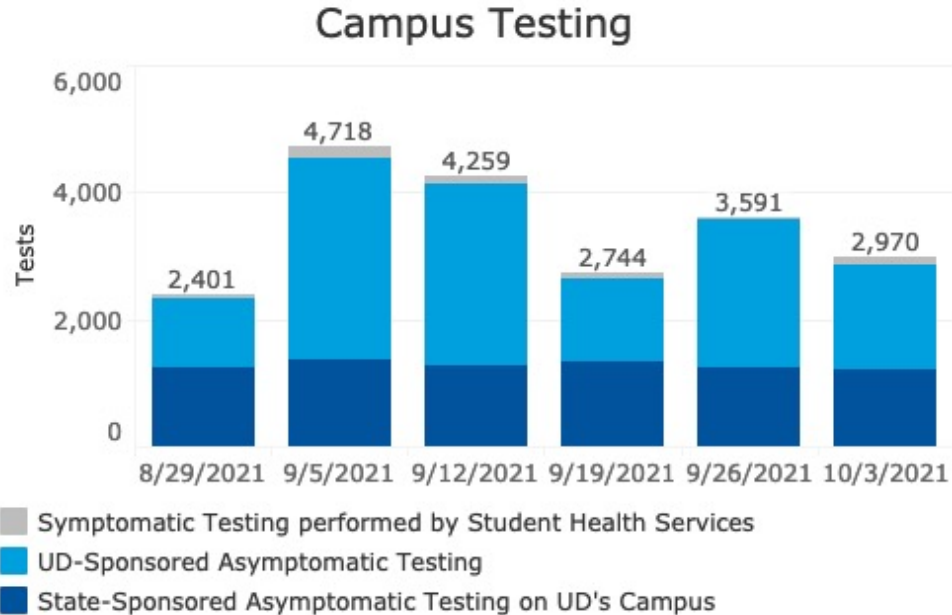
Health Screen Compliance Checks are being performed at

- 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.”

# Campus COVID-19 Testing



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**  
**November 15<sup>th</sup>**  
**December 13<sup>th</sup>**

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