Research Virtual Town Hall

Monday, November 15, 2021
1–2 p.m.

(The Meeting is Being Recorded for Posting Online)
Agenda

1. Campus News & Events
2. Data Science Institute
3. COVID-19 & Research Updates
4. Questions – Zoom Q&A

Submit your questions using the Zoom Q&A Function
Provost Search Forums

FOR FACULTY
Monday, Nov. 15, 4-5 p.m., Register today

FOR STUDENTS
Tuesday, Nov. 16, 2:30-3:30 p.m., Register today

FOR STAFF
Thursday, Nov. 18, 1-2 p.m., Register today

FOR THE UD COMMUNITY
Monday, Nov. 22, 4-5 p.m., Register today
Thursday, November 18th
11 a.m. – noon
The University of Delaware Research Office invites UD faculty, researchers, and staff to attend the many events that will be happening throughout the 2021-22 academic year. Learn funding strategies and expand your resource toolbox to include broader impacts and grant management. Mark your calendar and register for the events below to assure your attendance.

**Part 1 Participating cores include:**
- Advanced Materials Characterization Lab
- NMR Lab
- Mass Spectrometry
- W.M. Keck Center for Advanced Microscopy & Microanalysis
- Nanofabrication
- Materials Growth
- Surface Analysis
- X-ray Crystallography
- High-Throughput Experimentation

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New events are added often so check back to see the latest opportunities.
Wednesday, November 17\textsuperscript{th}  
9 a.m.–5 p.m.

This year’s Data Science Symposium will bring together UD researchers and local partners interested in data science applications, theory, and pedagogy across domains.
Data Science Institute

Cathy Wu
Director, Data Science Institute
Unidel Edward G. Jefferson Chair in Engineering and Computer Science

Prepare Undergrads for Data-Driven Workplace

Academic Institutions Should Prepare Undergraduates for a Data-Driven Workplace, New Report Recommends
WASHINGTON – All U.S. undergraduate students should develop a basic understanding of data science to prepare them adequately for the workforce, says a...
COVID-19 Updates
State of Delaware Statistics

Data reported 11/15/21

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Last Week

UD COVID Dashboard

Daily New Positive Cases

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Positive Cases by Week

Employees and Students

Data reported 11/15/21
Vaccination Rates

91% students are fully vaccinated

91% employees are fully vaccinated

92% 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 January 18\textsuperscript{th}.**

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.

**November 10\textsuperscript{th} White House Updated Guidance
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\textsuperscript{th} with guidance issued by the Safer Federal Workforce Task Force on September 24\textsuperscript{th}.

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

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

Applies to sub-contracts.
Building Community Through Vaccine Confidence

DR. JOAN COKER
PHYSICIAN & UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE TRUSTEE

DR. TIM DOWLING
PHYSICIAN & DIRECTOR, STUDENT HEALTH SERVICES

Access Video
Campus COVID-19 Testing

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


Pencader 115, 10 am–1:45 pm [https://udel.edu/book/universityofdelaware600](https://udel.edu/book/universityofdelaware600)

With holiday travel upcoming, please test prior to and after travel.
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 p.m.
December 13th

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