

# CAMPUS COVID-19 MONITORING AND CONTAINMENT

When COVID-19 cases are confirmed on campus, the university will engage its contact tracing and quarantine protocols, summarized below.

## Who will be tested for COVID?



- At this time, residential students and athletes are required to have a COVID test before coming to campus. A small percentage of residential students will be randomly tested each week. Random testing of student athletes will begin mid-semester.
- COVID-19 testing, administered by Griffin Health, will be made available on campus for these specific populations. However, if any student has COVID-like symptoms, Student Health Services may determine that a test is recommended. In addition, any students who are asked to quarantine after coming into close contact with a confirmed COVID case will also be tested.
- A list of Connecticut testing locations is available at: [211ct.org](https://211ct.org). Commuter students or employees who have been tested off campus and received a positive COVID-19 result should contact the campus COVID Coordinator, Erin Duff.

## What happens if there is a confirmed case?



- If there is a confirmed case of COVID-19 on campus, that individual will be required to isolate for a minimum of 10 days, or until their symptoms improve.
- Erin Duff, Southern's COVID Coordinator, will help coordinate quarantine and isolation for residential students either on campus in designated housing or at home. Southern has 116 residence hall beds set aside for quarantine purposes.
- Erin will also work with the Dean of Students to communicate with professors and campus supervisors to enable isolated/quarantined students to move to remote learning or be excused from work. And she will ensure that students in on-campus isolation or quarantine have the resources they need, including food, special accommodations, technology, or other supports.
- A member of Southern's Contact Tracing Team, led by Emily Rosenthal, Wellness Center Coordinator, will interview the confirmed case to gather detailed information about all of their activities and interactions with others, starting two days prior to the onset of symptoms, or two days prior to a positive test. This process is designed to limit the spread of the virus.
- The SCSU contact tracer then notifies all Southern community members who are considered to be at risk for exposure, otherwise known as close contacts. Any identified close contacts who are not SCSU-affiliated will be entered into the state contact tracing database for follow up and notification by their local health department.
- Close contact is defined as being within 6 feet of the infected person for 15 minutes or more. Close contacts are required to quarantine for 14 days from the date of their last encounter with the confirmed case.
- Faculty, staff, and off-campus students identified during this process will be required to quarantine at their private residences.

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