CSUF On-campus Research Restart Guidelines and Processes

CSUF is committed to reintegrating on-campus research, scholarship, and creative activities and will follow all applicable public health and CSU-wide guidelines while doing so. This reintegration will occur in phases. Public health information will be continuously monitored and, should negative indicators develop, research, scholarship, and creative activities will be ramped down to an earlier phase.

Faculty members/PIs wishing to resume on-campus research should complete the following actions prior to resuming research, scholarly and creative activities:

1. Read and heed the Chancellor’s Office policy “CSU GUIDANCE FOR 2020–21 ACADEMIC YEAR PLANNING IN THE CONTEXT OF COVID-19, Supplemental Guidance Provided by Academic and Student Affairs. Research, Scholarship, and Creative Activities Consideration” (Attachment 1).

2. Read and heed your college Safe Work Practices (SWP) guidelines (Attachment 2).

3. Complete the Laboratory Research Restart application form (Attachment 3). When completed, submit this form for approval to your Chair and Dean, who will forward the approved documents to the CSUF Infectious Disease Work Group (IDWG) for final approval with copy to the Office of Research and Sponsored Projects.

4. Submit protocols with any changes in human subject or animal related research to IRB and IACUC committees, respectively, for approval.

5. Ensure all research personnel (PI, students, staff, volunteers) complete COVID-19 risk mitigation training provided by EHS. Document that this training has been completed.

6. Establish a daily research participant logbook. Maintain this logbook each day to track the occupants in each research space.

7. Prior to each campus visit, ensure research personnel (PI, students, staff, volunteers) fill out a DAILY self-screening form. This form will be hard copy (Attachment 4) until an electronic process is available.

8. Research activities requiring travel will adhere to all current travel restrictions.

Note: All research, scholarship and creative activities that can be conducted remotely should continue in that mode.