

## Campus Life Restrictions by Alert Level



### Alert Level Descriptions

Franklin & Marshall College will continue to follow all federal, state, and local guidelines in making decisions about its alert level status. In general, the College will respond to a change in alert level with the following campus life restrictions. The College reserves the right to amend campus life restrictions based upon campus or community exposure levels. At all times, students are required to comply with the F&M Pledge and the Student Code of Conduct.

### Low Alert

F&M will transition to low alert status when containment of COVID-19 significantly improves to a “new normal” supported by widely available vaccinations and effective treatment. The College will be open, with gradual easing of risk mitigation strategies.

Other conditions under low alert status include:

- Campus buildings will be open with normal visitor policies in place.
- In-person instruction and student activities may continue, following all health and safety guidelines and space occupancy limits.
- Students in residence halls and approved off-campus housing will continue to adhere to existing student housing guidelines with regard to visitors and conduct.

Requirements in the F&M pledge (mandatory testing, mask wearing, physical distancing, etc.) will remain in full force.

### Moderate Alert

F&M will be in moderate alert status when the number of individuals testing positive for COVID-19 is manageable and contact tracing suggests that exposures are confined to small numbers of people. Effective contact tracing remains possible and the College has confidence in its ability to contain, isolate, and remediate small flare-ups. F&M will remain open with risk mitigation strategies in place.

Other conditions under moderate alert status include:

- Campus buildings will remain open with approved guest access only.
- In-person instruction and student activities may continue following all health and safety guidelines and space occupancy limits; students are encouraged to gather and host events virtually or outdoors.
- Students in residence halls and College-approved off-campus housing may allow a limited number of guests in their apartments (1-2 guests in residence hall rooms; 1-4 in off-campus housing and in accordance with the policies of their off-campus housing provider); no visitors from outside the F&M community are allowed. Physical distancing and masking is required.
- Travel off-campus for services and activities are permitted in accordance with state and local requirements and guidelines, unless otherwise noted by PORT.

Requirements in the F&M pledge (mandatory testing, mask wearing, physical distancing, etc.) will remain in full force.

## **High Alert**

F&M is in high alert status when the number of positive tests and potential exposures (as identified through robust contact tracing) remains significantly concerning. The College will remain open but with risk mitigation strategies as listed in “moderate alert” in place and with a high level of readiness to close if conditions do not improve rapidly.

Other conditions under high alert status include:

- Campus buildings will remain open but with more restricted access.
- In-person instruction and student activities may continue following all health and safety guidelines and space occupancy limits; students are encouraged to gather and host events virtually or outdoors.
- Students in residence halls and approved off-campus housing will restrict travel off campus to essential services only and not admit guests to their rooms or apartments.

Requirements in the F&M pledge (mandatory testing, mask wearing, physical distancing, etc.) will remain in full force.

## **Very High Alert**

F&M will transition to very high alert status when ongoing campus transmission is occurring at an accelerating rate, and there is no realistic strategy to contain or control the situation. Only essential employees will be allowed on campus, and faculty and professional staff will telework whenever possible. The College will plan a 24-to-72 hour move-out of students from campus

(with exceptions for approved students, e.g., extenuating international circumstances) and transition all instruction online.

Other conditions under very high alert status include:

- Closure of campus buildings, facilities, and residence halls (except for essential employees, as noted above)
- The Student Wellness Center will remain open for virtual visits.
- Students in College-approved off-campus housing will continue to restrict their travel to essential services only and not admit guests to their rooms or apartments.

Other requirements in the F&M pledge will remain in full force.