Guiding Principles

- The university will follow all applicable local, state and federal public health guidelines and orders.
- The health and safety of our students and employees come first.
- Supervisors will remain flexible to accommodate employees who must balance work and caregiver responsibilities.
- University operations will continue in a manner consistent with expert public health guidance and principles.
Protecting the Pack Pledge

I pledge to Protect the Pack by taking care of myself and the community that cares for me. I will keep myself and fellow Huskies healthy by:

**Care for Myself**
- Wash my hands/use hand sanitizer often.
- Keep my space and belongings clean.
- Submit daily wellness checks.
- Avoid risky behaviors.

**Care for Others**
- Stay home if I feel ill.
- Wear a face mask.
- Follow instructions from NIU about testing and quarantining.

**Care for My Community**
- Help keep shared areas clean.
- Follow instructional signage.
- Notify the university if I test positive.
- Choose to be positive and uphold NIU’s values.

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Expectations of a Huskie

• Self-monitor
• Notification if tested positive, exposed or experiencing symptoms
• Protocols
  – Proper Hand Hygiene
  – Physical Distance
  – Face Masks
• Complete Training Prior to Coming to Campus
• *Demonstrate Patience, Grace and Respect*
• *Pledge to Protect the Pack*
Health and Safety First

- Monitoring through the CampusClear app
- Contact Tracing with DeKalb County Public Health
- COVID Helpline interfaces with DCPH
- Onsite testing in partnership with Northwestern Medicine
- Extensive training and communication
- SHIELD developing collaboration
Learning

- Course-delivery methods
  - Face to face (25% of classes)
  - Hybrid or Staggered (25% of classes)
  - Online (50% of classes)
- Academic support services
- Library services
- Student accommodations
Teaching

• Syllabus guidance for safety
• Flexible teaching resources and training
• Classrooms and Classroom Protocols
  – Limited to 20% capacity
  – At least one hour passing time
  – Distancing and face masks
Technology

- Classroom technology
  - One-way and two-way streaming
  - Video conferencing (Zoom, Teams, Blackboard Collaborate)
- Student hardware
  - Computer labs
  - Lending program for laptops and MiFi
  - Grants for technology purchases
- Student software
  - CITRIX virtual desktop
  - Adobe Creative Studio
• Safe restart
  – Conducted remotely to extent possible
  – Travel allowed following health guidelines
  – Undergraduate research experiences restart on August 17th
• Policies
  – Tenure clock extension for one year
  – Sabbatical policies
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