

FALL 2020 RETURN TO CAMPUS

Covid-19 FAQs

- **What are the plans for returning to campus this fall?**

Campus is reopening in August. Carson-Newman WILL have face-to-face classes, with social distancing protocols in place. If students, faculty, and staff cannot keep within 6 feet from each other, they will be expected to wear masks. Dorms, classrooms, offices, and public spaces will be sanitized multiple times a day.

- **Will I need to quarantine?**

According to current [CDC \(Centers for Disease Control\) guidelines](#), all individuals entering the U.S. who have traveled internationally are asked to quarantine for 14 days. Carson-Newman is following these guidelines. If you stayed on campus or in the U.S. for the summer, you do NOT need to quarantine.

- **What about food? Will the university provide meals during quarantine?**

Campus dining can provide meal boxes to international students living on campus starting Aug. 1st. The Department of Safety and Security will pick up and deliver three meals a day to your residence hall. The charge for these meals is \$20 a day. There is no refund or discount for unused meals. From Aug. 11th, students who have a meal plan will not be charged extra for meals. Please email Mrs. Phyllis Hoover (phoover@cn.edu) your arrival dates so she can sign you up for meals.

- **When can I arrive on campus?**

Because campus dining does not start providing meals to students until Aug. 1st, Carson-Newman recommends that new and returning international students plan to arrive on or after Aug. 1st. In addition, new international student insurance starts covering students from Aug. 1st. As soon as you know your travel plans, please email Mrs. Phyllis Hoover (phoover@cn.edu).

- **Which countries are impacted by the coronavirus travel restrictions to the U.S.?**

The May 24 [Presidential Proclamation](#) suspends entry into the U.S. of all non-U.S. citizens who were physically present in the following countries during the 14-day period preceding entry into the U.S.

- Brazil
- China
- Iran
- Ireland
- The European Schengen area (Austria, Belgium, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Italy, Latvia, Liechtenstein,

- Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Monaco, San Marino, Vatican City)
- United Kingdom

Please continue to monitor the news, the [CDC website](#), and airline travel information for changes or updates.

- **My country is on the restricted list. Is there still a way I could come back?**

Unless you are able to physically remain in a country that is not restricted by the U.S. Government for at least 14 days prior to your flight, as of right now you unfortunately cannot enter the U.S. If you do plan to travel to another country before entering the U.S., please review travel restrictions for that country and be aware that you will still need to quarantine upon your arrival to campus. Global Ed staff cannot advise on travel to countries other than the U.S.

- **If I cannot arrive for the Fall Semester due to travel restrictions, flight schedules, or visa issues, what should I do?**

Contact our PDSO, Nilma Stewart at nstewart@cn.edu.

- **Does the C-N International Insurance cover COVID-19 tests and treatment?**

Currently, Tennessee is offering free COVID-19 tests. The C-N International Insurance does cover COVID-19 treatment.

- **How does the recent ICE ruling affect C-N international students, and what is the University's response?**

Carson-Newman University plans to hold face-to-face classes for the duration of the semester, until the week after Thanksgiving. The only reason that the University would transition to all online classes would be if the Governor of Tennessee mandated another shutdown, and the University's response at that point would largely depend on the level of shutdown.

- **My visa appointment has been canceled. The Consulate is not issuing visas until September. What should I do?**

Discuss your options with the University PDSO Nilma Stewart (nstewart@cn.edu). If you are an athlete, communicate your situation with your coach, as he or she may be aware of additional NCAA responses. Even if you are forced to defer to January 2021, we are eager to welcome you to campus!

- **I have additional questions or concerns. Who should I contact?**

Please contact the Administration Assistant of Global Education, Bevan Brown (bbrown@cn.edu) if you have more questions.