



GRAND CANYON UNIVERSITY

GCU's [web page](#) related to information on the coronavirus disease has been updated to include FAQs on what GCU is doing to prepare, what students and employees should do if they feel ill or come into contact with any known coronavirus case, and what measures the University is taking to prevent the spread of infectious diseases, among other topics. The FAQs will be updated with additional information as this situation evolves, so please bookmark the site to stay informed.

GCU's Emergency Preparedness Task Force continues to meet regularly to ensure the University is prepared and is coordinating efforts in conjunction with local health authorities, including the Maricopa County Department of Public Health. There are no confirmed COVID-19 cases at GCU, and the campus remains open with classes scheduled to resume as usual following spring break.

Students, faculty and staff who are traveling over spring break should take caution with their choices, even if they are not traveling to identified extreme-risk areas. Remember that individuals are thought to be contagious even before they show symptoms, so continue to follow preventative measures, such as:

- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, especially after going to the bathroom; before eating; and after blowing your nose, coughing or sneezing. If soap and water are not readily available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol. Always wash hands with soap and water if your hands are visibly dirty. Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth.
- Stay home if you are sick.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces at home, work and school.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.

GCU understands this situation can be alarming, especially given the immense media coverage and heightened cases in other parts of the country and world. The University will continue to monitor and plan for any new developments and remains committed to the well-being and safety of its students, faculty and staff.

More information is available on LopeNet for GCU faculty and staff, and on the Faculty Resource Center for adjunct faculty members.