

Dear Students:

We are writing to supplement the University's announcement below, which applies to all Haub Law students, and to update you on our planning for fall instructional modalities.

The ABA and the NYS Court of Appeals have now issued waivers of strict compliance with their limits on JD and LLM distance education through the fall 2021 semester. However, the NYS Court of Appeals' Order is more limited than it has been in recent semesters, emphasizing that the waiver is connected to "social distancing requirements, travel restrictions, and individual health concerns." In addition, as you now know, the University is mandating students who want to be on campus to be fully vaccinated against COVID by the fall, subject to religious or medical exemptions. Moreover, the CDC has relaxed its guidance on the need for social-distancing among fully vaccinated individuals.

While of course circumstances may continue to change, and we are ultimately subject to New York State and Westchester County rules, our current expectation is that we will be able to have our classrooms at 100% capacity in the fall.

Therefore, at the Law School, all instruction and examination administration will be **in person** in the classroom in the fall, except for the following categories of students:

1. Students who are not US residents and are unable to travel to the continental United States due to COVID-related travel restrictions;
2. Students with disabilities who obtain accommodations for remote education from the Office of Student Accessibility Services;
3. Students who submit adequate documentation of an individual health concern (such documentation can be submitted to me by email); and
4. Students who do not submit proof of COVID vaccination in accordance with the process described below and who have not received religious or medical exemptions from vaccination. Please note that such unvaccinated students will not be allowed to be physically present on Pace University premises.

Of course, this policy does not apply to attendance in courses that are, by design, 100% distance courses regardless of COVID waivers. For the fall semester, this includes Advanced Analytical Skills, MBE Strategies, Mental Disability Law, Natural Resources, and Cannabis Law. In addition, any student who fails the Pace Safe App on a particular day should not attend class, and can participate remotely that day.

We very much look forward to resuming our vibrant community in the fall. Have a wonderful summer.

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