

Covid Quarantine Policies 2104

The following Covid-19 quarantine policies and guidelines are in place in the event a member of our community tests positive during the semester 2104 and will be reviewed regularly and in line with government measures:

1) If a student or staff member tests positive for Covid-19 (PCR test):

1. He or she will be contacted by the local hygiene station to provide information about his/her last contacts. He/she will also officially be put into "isolation" which can be ended by his/her GP or the hygiene station only;
2. He or she must isolate for at least 14 days;
3. If showing no symptoms, the isolation ends after 14 days without a test (subject to confirmation by GP or hygiene station);
4. If showing Covid symptoms, the isolation ends after 3 days when not showing any more symptoms without a test (but this cannot be shorter than 14 days);
5. Arrange for permission and access to classes remotely, assuming you are not too ill to study or teach. Arrange for a permitted absence for illness in the event you cannot study or teach remotely.

2) If students or staff are in contact with someone who has tested positive*:

1. He or she must quarantine for 14 days starting from the last contact day;
2. He or she should get a PCR test between days 5-7 (but not later than day 10) from the last contact day;
3. If the test is negative and you show no symptoms then the quarantine ends after 14 days from the last contact day;
4. If the person does not have the test (for whatever reason) and shows no symptoms, then the quarantine ends after 14 days from the last contact day;
5. If you show symptoms, then you have to contact your GP and have a PCR test with no delay - if the test is positive than you follow the measures in paragraph 1)

Please note that vaccinated people are usually removed from this process and don't have to quarantine after contact with a positive person (this is subject to the hygiene station decision but the general practice shows that they don't quarantine vaccinated people). Therefore we strongly recommend getting vaccinated if you haven't done so already. Please ask Student Services for advice if you decide to get the vaccination.

What does it mean for students, lecturers and staff:

1) If a student, lecturer or staff member has tested positive but had no contact with anyone from Prague City University, follow paragraph 1), or any other updated official measures.

Students must contact student services to obtain permission to study remotely (by remote participation in the hybrid classes and other digital campus activities).

Lecturers should contact their Programme Leader for guidance on replacing teaching or gaining permission to teach from quarantine in the event that there are few to no symptoms.

2) If a student, lecturer or staff member has tested positive and had contact with Prague City University students or staff - follow paragraph 1) and inform the university immediately (Student Services, Programme Leader, etc) with the list of students or staff who the person was in contact with over the past last week before showing first symptoms. We will then ask the study group, teacher or staff members to follow paragraph 2) and cooperate with the local hygienic station.*

Teaching

If there is a positive case we will continue teaching in the following ways (all subject to individual class situation, number of people affected and vaccination status of the group):

1. A positive teacher with no (or few symptoms) may be approved to teach online from home.
2. A positive teacher with symptoms - same as any other sick-leave - should contact the Programme Leader and the classes will be cancelled, postponed or taught by someone else.
3. A positive student with no (or few symptoms) should contact Student Services for permission for remote study until they get back to the classroom.
4. A positive student with symptoms should contact Student Services and request the excused absence for illness.
5. If in direct contact with classmates and/or lecturer then the teaching could be switched to online, depending on the vaccination status of the group or groups in question.

This is valid from 27. 9. 2021.