

# COVID-19 Alert Level 2

## Health and Safety Guidance



### Health and Safety Guidance under COVID-19 Alert Level

As of Wednesday 17 November 2021, parts of the Waikato will enter Alert Level 2. Both the Hillcrest and Tauranga campuses will be operating at Alert Level 2 with the following Health and Safety Guidance applying:

Staff are encouraged to stay up to date with the latest [Government advice](#) and advice from [the Tertiary Education Commission](#). The health and safety of our staff, students and public is our top priority. **If you are sick or feel unwell, stay at home**, and if you have symptoms of cold or flu call your doctor or Healthline (0800 358 5453) and get tested.

### On Campus

While on campus under Alert Level 2:

- Scan in using the NZ COVID Tracer app when moving around campus.
- Maintain good hygiene practices such as handwashing with soap for 20 seconds, coughing or sneezing into your elbow and cleaning surfaces regularly.
- Bring a face covering/mask with you to campus. It is **strongly recommended** that you wear it at all times, especially in places where you can't physically distance, for example in lecture halls, common areas, libraries, or in a confined space with other students or staff, such as in lifts.
- You **must** wear a face covering/mask in the following spaces:
  - All cafes/retail on campus, reception areas, the Student Hub and social learning spaces of the Tauranga campus, Gallagher Academy of Performing Arts, Student Health, the pharmacy and the Student Centre
  - When travelling via the Kaimai Shuttle and the regional buses
- Maintain physical distancing of 2 metres when outside and at least 1 metre inside University buildings, where possible.
- If you visit or work at locations other than the Hamilton and Tauranga campuses follow any additional control measures that apply to that site.
- At-risk and vulnerable people should not carry out any on-site activities unless they are fully vaccinated. However, they may work on site if they wish to and it is safe for them to do so.
- Overnight stays at Te Kohinga Mārama and Te Manawaroa are not permitted at Level 2 or at any other marae or facility.

### Teaching and learning

- Face-to-face teaching will resume in Hamilton from Monday 22 November. Classes are limited to up to 100 people in a room with physical distancing of at least 1 metre where possible.
- Teaching spaces that have multiple points of access will be marked with entry and exit signs to direct a one-way flow of students.
- Exit times should be staggered to avoid large groups of students congregating.
- Work-Integrated Learning including practicums, internships and placements can resume but are subject to the Level 2 protocols that apply to the workplace that the student is in (e.g. schools, businesses, community organisations).

Follow the golden rules as set out by the Government on the [COVID-19 website](#):

- Sign in with the COVID Tracer App
- [Wearing a face covering](#) when leaving home is strongly recommended
- Maintain two-metre distancing wherever possible
- Practice good hygiene – wash hands or sanitise.

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### Access support

The COVID-19 Alert Levels may be distressing, please access support if required:

- [Just a thought online module](#) to assist with your wellbeing through COVID-19 and beyond
- Free call or free text [1737](#) for access to a trained counsellor
- [Wellbeing @ Waikato resources](#)
- [Employee Assistance Programme](#) (staff)

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