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## **B R I E F I N G**

### **ON THE CURRENT STATE OF THE EPIDEMIC DEFENCE AND THE REGULATIONS ON CONTINUING THE SPRING SEMESTER OF THE 2021-2022 ACADEMIC YEAR**

At Eötvös Loránd University the Epidemiological Operative Coordinating Body (JOKT) which has been established by the 3/2020 (II. 28.) Joint Directive of the Rector and the Chancellor of the University, based on its authorization in the directive, publishes the regulations on continuing the spring semester of the 2021-2022 academic year.

According to the announcement of the Government, starting Monday (7th March 2022) the use of a mask covering the nose and mouth is no longer mandatory, regulations regarding events will be lifted. The rule on the mandatory vaccination against the coronavirus in those higher education institutions which are covered by the decree will also be terminated.

Accordingly wearing a mask won't be mandatory at the university, either. However, it is still allowed to wear a mask. Those who feel endangered, can continue wearing a mask.

We strongly recommend those who show mild symptoms typical for the coronavirus disease to wear a mask while visiting the buildings, facilities and classrooms of the University.

With severe symptoms or a new positive COVID test, it is forbidden to visit the buildings, facilities and classrooms of the University.

The Briefing from the 3rd November 2021 - on the institutional implementation of the Government Decree Non. 599/2021. (X. 28.) regarding the mandatory vaccination against coronavirus of the employees of state and local government institutions will be repealed and all those, who because of not getting vaccinated or not presenting verification of receiving it are **on leave without pay (salary) are obliged to report for work until 21 March 2022. The Employer will separately notify those employees.**

Considering all of the above, JOKT publishes the modified regulations in accordance with the changes mentioned above on continuing the spring semester of the 2021-2022 academic year:

#### **1. GENERAL RULE: CLASSROOM LEARNING**

From 28th February 2022, in accordance with the general rule classroom learning replaced online learning. The dean can deviate from the general rule in case of certain courses – with a decision made with unique consideration.

Participation in external internships is governed by the rules of the internship place.

Dormitories operate in their regular form.

#### **2. RULES FOR STUDENT ADMINISTRATION**

Administration for students is available both online and in person.

#### **3. OPERATION OF UNIVERSITY BOARDS**

The university boards operate and make decisions continuously. Board meetings can still be organized online, especially if the participants are operating at different locations with significant physical distance.

#### **4. EVENTS**

University events – including scientific sessions, conferences, academic competitions, graduation ceremonies, leisure and community programs – may be held. JOKT does not define any further regulations (such as requirement of vaccination/ immunity certificate or restriction in the number of participants) for

these events, although the event organizer has the right to do so, in which case it is their responsibility to inform the participants in advance.

Online access and broadcasting can be provided even in case of in-person events.

## **5. TRAVELING AND HOSTING**

Traveling abroad and hosting foreign guests can be done following the habitual procedures, taking into account the enforcing entry rules and warnings of the given Consular Services.

## **6. UNIVERSITY SERVICES**

All university services are available as usual. Libraries, including their reading rooms, are open to the public and operate on an ongoing basis, as are public collections, parks, gardens, and sports facilities.

## **7. BASIC AND GENERAL RULES**

The buildings, facilities and classrooms of the **University may only be visited by a healthy person who does not show symptoms of coronavirus disease**. It is not mandatory to wear a mask but it is not allowed to be forbidden to wear a mask.

Regardless of the evolution of the epidemic, **basic health rules must be maintained at all times (regular handwashing with soap, hand disinfection, cough and sneeze etiquette)**.

**The rules published in this briefing are to be applied in accordance with the 77/2022. (III.4.) Government Decree from 7th March.**

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