

August 31, 2021

Dear Albizu Community,

We are looking forward to welcoming you back to our campus for the Fall Semester. As you know, our main priority during this past year has been to provide you with a high-quality education to ensure that you continue to achieve your educational goals. We are now at a point where we can carefully expand our face-to-face and hybrid options. However, this requires your help. We encourage you to get yourself fully vaccinated as recommended by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and the U.S. Department of Education. Your cooperation will continue to maintain a safe learning environment for all.

As reported, COVID-19 vaccines are the most effective approach to reduce the risk of spreading The virus. By doing this, we collectively protect ourselves and our community from the harms of COVID-19.

Florida state law, as currently written, prohibits educational institutions from requiring students to provide documentation certifying COVID-19 vaccination or post infection recovery. Nevertheless, we would be remiss in our obligation to protect the well-being of our community if we did not actively encourage vaccinations. As the pandemic situation continues to develop, the University may institute additional screening and safety protocols consistent with government-issued guidance, in order to protect public health.

We thank you for your understanding and cooperation in helping the Albizu University community have a safe and productive Fall Semester.

Cordially,

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