## COVID-19 GUIDANCE FOR USC INSTRUCTIONAL LABS

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- 1. Stay home if you are sick.
- 2. Wash your hands frequently with soap and water for 20 seconds or with a hand sanitizer containing greater than 60% alcohol if soap and water are not available.
- 3. Always wash your hands after entering the lab, after removing gloves, and before leaving the lab.
- 4. Avoid shaking hands and always wash your hands after physical contact with others.
- 5. Cover your coughs and sneezes with a tissue, or cough and sneeze into your upper sleeve. Dispose of tissues into no-touch trash receptacles.
- 6. Wash your hands or use a hand sanitizer after coughing, sneezing, or blowing your nose.
- 7. Avoid touching your nose, mouth and eyes.

## **INSTRUCTORS**

- 1. Determine what experiments are critical to perform for the class.
- 2. Postpone or cancel non-essential experiments until a later date.
- 3. Determine if the lab can be completed via a telecommute class (students watching instructor conduct experiment).
- 4. If an in-person lab is required, utilize social distancing by consciously maintaining 6-foot spacing between individuals, coming into the lab in shifts, and allowing every other bench to be unoccupied.
- 5. Determine if the experiment can be done individually, not in partners or groups.
- 6. Consider breaking the class into two classes not one. (Example: 2 classes with  $\frac{1}{2}$  the students in each class.)

## Need a recommendation for your course?

Contact Environmental Health & Safety at ehs@usc.edu.

