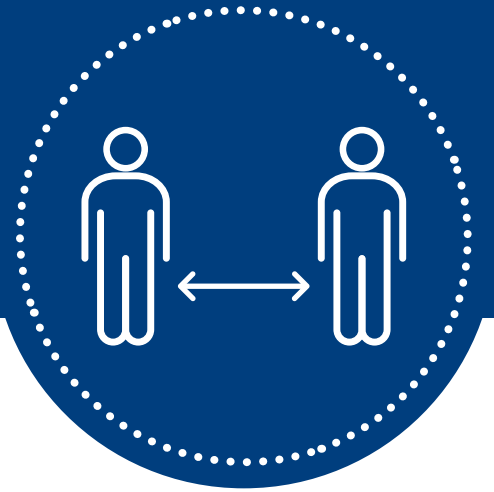


SOCIAL DISTANCING



It is important to be aware that the risk of infection increases the closer you are to another person with the virus, and the amount of time you spend in close contact with them. Therefore, you are unlikely to be infected if you walk past another person in the street.

The Government recommends that you keep 2m away from people as a precaution, or 1m when you can mitigate the risk by taking other precautions.

In accordance with UK Government guidance, the University will take action to maintain the advised social distancing wherever possible.

Where the social distancing guidelines cannot be followed in full, the University will conduct a risk assessment to establish whether that activity can be redesigned, or the environment reconfigured to maintain a 2m distance, or 1m with risk mitigations where 2m is not viable.

Mitigating actions that the University may implement include measures such as:

- Keeping the activity time as short as possible
- Using protective screens and barriers
- Using back-to-back or side-to-side working (rather than face-to-face) whenever possible*
- Reducing the number of people each person has contact with by using 'fixed teams' or 'partnering' (so each person works with only a few others)
- Promoting frequent hand washing and surface cleaning
- Any other action identified to be necessary, including in response to updates in government guidance.

*Where such measures are adopted, consideration will be given to the impact on people with hearing impairments and other long-term health needs/ disabilities, and how they can be supported.

You can read the [University Covid-19 policy here](#).



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