FALL 2020
Top 10 Tips for Huskies
Hi Huskies—

We’re looking forward to seeing you on campus later this month. Because of the ongoing challenges caused by COVID-19, fall 2020 will look and feel different than any semester we can remember. But following the tips and guidelines provided here, you can still have the Husky experience you expect at Michigan Tech.

Take care,

Bonnie Gorman, Dean of Students and Vice President for Student Affairs

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**Check Yourself**

Everyone on campus this fall—students, faculty, and staff—will be self-monitoring daily for symptoms of COVID-19.

We want you to get started early. At least 14 days before your scheduled arrival in Houghton, limit your contact with others and begin monitoring yourself every day for symptoms by filling out the COVID-19 Daily Symptom Tracking Form at mtu.edu/flex/portal. When you’re on campus, you’ll be required to submit the form daily. Completing the form each morning turns on your Canvas access, regardless of your answers.
2 Cover Your Face

As much as we love seeing your face, you must cover your nose and mouth indoors or in enclosed public spaces anywhere on campus. The same goes for outside when participating in an activity where you can’t maintain six feet of physical distance. Don’t have a face covering? No problem. The University has partnered with Undergraduate Student Government to make sure students receive a care kit that includes a free face covering. If you live in a residence hall, your care kit will be waiting in your room when you get here. If you live off campus, stop by during one of these distribution times to pick yours up.

Care Kit Distribution Times:
Wednesday, August 26, 2020
• MUB Circle (drive-through pickup) 11 AM to 2 PM

Thursday, August 27, 2020
• Commuter Lot (walk-by pickup) 9 AM to 11 PM
• MUB Circle (drive-through pickup) 11 AM to 2 PM
• Alumni House (walk-by pickup) 2 PM to 5 PM

Friday, August 28, 2020
• MUB Circle (drive-through pickup) 10 AM to 1 PM

Questions? Contact Whitney Boroski, student health and wellness manager, at wmborosk@mtu.edu. Learn more about face coverings at mtu.edu/flex/campus/safety-practices/coverings.
3 Bring a Laptop

You must compute. Beginning with the fall 2020 semester, all Michigan Tech students are required to have a computing device. This helps to ensure your success in mixed-modality classes where some of the instruction is in person and some is online. It will also keep you on track if classes need to be moved online entirely.

Learn more at mtu.edu/it/help/computing-device.

4 Take the Pledge

Huskies value accountability. We take responsibility for our health and do our part to keep our Michigan Tech community safe. Show your commitment to limiting the spread of COVID-19 by signing the Be Smart, Do Your Part pledge at mtu.edu/pledge.
**Pack an Isolation Kit**

Be prepared. Have a bag packed in case you need to isolate or quarantine. Consider including these items:

- Disposable tissues
- Hand sanitizer (at least 60 percent alcohol)
- Disinfectant wipes
- Fluids such as tea, water, juice, and Gatorade drink mix, and food staples like rice, oatmeal, chicken soup, peanut butter, and crackers
- Thermometer
- Disposable gloves
- Salt for saltwater gargling (in case of sore throat)
- Honey—alone or mixed in tea for sore throat and coughs
- Acetaminophen (Tylenol) for fever and aches
- Pseudoephedrine (Sudafed—the kind you have to ask for at the pharmacy counter, not Sudafed PE) for nasal congestion
- Two-week supply of chronic medications
- Face covering(s)

**Get Tested**

COVID-19 tests are free on campus this fall.

**Are you a first-year student?**
Get tested during move-in weekend (August 21 and 22). Look for an email from Upper Great Lakes Family Health Center (UGL) with instructions on how to complete your registration (it takes less than 10 minutes!) prior to arriving on campus.

**Are you a returning student?**
You may be asked to get tested when you first arrive on campus or later in the semester. To be ready for that request, look for an email from UGL asking you to log onto their online patient portal to complete your registration. If you’re already a UGL patient, go to uglhealth.org/patient-portal now to make sure your profile is up to date.
Follow the Signs

You’ll see them everywhere on campus. They mark one-way entrances and exits, staggered seating in classrooms, and elevator occupancy limits—ways to keep us all safe.

Practice Self-Care

Wash your hands regularly for at least 20 seconds. Don’t touch your face. Stay six feet away from others. Wear a face covering. Monitor your health daily for symptoms of COVID-19 and stay home if you feel sick. Do all of this whether you’re on campus or off—our local community is relying on us, too.
Keep It Small

Limit your social gatherings to a small circle of friends (no more than 10 if you’re indoors) and limit your travel as much as you can to lessen your chances—and everyone else’s—of exposure to COVID-19.

To learn more, go to mtu.edu/flex/campus.

10 Ask Questions

Email housing@mtu.edu if you live in the residence halls and have questions about your living arrangements.

Email counseling@mtu.edu or call 906-487-2538 to arrange a call or appointment with a counselor.

Email deanofstudents@mtu.edu for general or academic concerns.

Check with your health insurance provider to see if you have a telehealth option.

Do your research, and do not hesitate to ask for the information you need to make smart choices. You’re a Husky, after all.

To learn more, go to mtu.edu/flex.