Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, the Phoenix Biomedical Campus (PBC) and UArizona Health Sciences (UAHS) campus will experience a significant decrease in room capacity. University guidelines will require adherence to social distancing practices for the health and safety of all students, faculty, and staff. Since many of the PBC and UAHS facilities are shared among numerous colleges, and other Universities in Phoenix, it is necessary to adopt policies that ensure resources for the curriculum needs of our constituents’ remain viable and equitable.

Updated space capacities for most of our curriculum-related spaces for the Fall term can be found:

- HERE for PBC (Phoenix)
- HERE for HSIB (Tucson)

We expect all Fall 2020 class sessions will remain in their originally scheduled spaces. Maintaining rooms and class times as originally scheduled:

- Eliminates the need to competitively reschedule courses into drastically reduced spaces;
- Keeps faculty from teaching additional sections of their courses to smaller class sizes; and
- Isolates students into smaller groups to reduce the likelihood of exposure to COVID-19.

Using a didactic session to illustrate this plan: If the capacity of enrolled students exceeds the reduced occupancy of the instructional space, the class would be split into as many groups as it takes so as to not exceed required capacities. Faculty might adopt a hybrid teaching model, where student groups alternate between in-person and virtual attendance. If more stringent space guidelines are enacted, the class would divide into additional groups and alternate in-person attendance in the originally scheduled spaces.

Any questions or concerns should be directed to UAHS Scheduling (UAHS-Scheduling@email.arizona.edu) and UAHS Facilities and Operations.