Ensuring Attendee Safety
COVID-19 and Updates on your GRC
at Bryant University

How GRC is Supporting Your Health

GRC continues to monitor venue and state-wide practices, updating venue pages on a weekly basis. We are currently working with our venues to implement social distancing practices at our conferences in 2021 as needed.

As always, the health and safety of our communities are GRC’s highest priority, and we are working to ensure you’ll be able to join us safely and comfortably in 2021.

Bryant’s Commitment to You

- University President Ross Gittell, Ph.D.; Provost Glenn Sulmasy, JD, LL.M; and Vice President for Student Affairs Dr. Inge-Lise Ameer reaffirmed plans for students to return to Bryant’s Smithfield campus for a fully in-person fall semester that will begin with classes on September 7, 2021 with continued health and safety measures in place.

- Custodial staff will be focused on deep cleaning activities on a regular basis in high use areas of campus. Hand sanitizing stations around campus. Masks required on campus.

- Bryant will provide weekly testing for all students living on-campus, commuting to campus and all on-campus faculty.

- Guests are currently allowed, but must fill out health and wellness information on an app. and show app when arriving to campus.

- Click here for Bryant’s full detailed plan.

Rhode Island’s Current Regulations
(as of April 8, 2021)

- Indoor and outdoor catered events are permitted to take place, provided that indoor events do not exceed 75% of the venue’s seated capacity. Indoor catered events with more than 100 people and outdoor catered events with more than 200 are prohibited.

- Removed Illinois, Maryland, Michigan, Nebraska, New Mexico and Wyoming off of travel advisory list.

- Masks are required at all times when you are with someone you don’t live with, per the Governor’s office and the Department of Health.

- Information and updates from the Rhode Island Department of Health can be found here.
ARRIVAL AND CHECK-IN

Logan Airport (BOS): Located 55 miles north of Smithfield

T.F Green Airport (PVD): Located 20 miles south of Smithfield

GRC Chartered Bus: You can reserve a spot on the bus through your MyGRC account and find details about the bus here and click here to see what Concord Coach is doing to protect you.

Rental Car: GRC receives discounted rates with Enterprise or National Rental Car via contract ID XZ49019

Enterprise has a Clean Car Pledge to combat the spread of COVID-19.

GRC Check-in is from 2:00 pm – 9:00 pm in the lobby of Residence Hall 17.
- If you arrive after the GRC Office is closed, please call 401-232-6921 for the coordinator on duty.
- GRS check-in is from 2:00 pm—5:00 pm on Saturday.

The GRC office is located in the Unistructure, MRC 3.

ACCOMMODATIONS AND AMENITIES

Conferees stay in suites with single or double occupancy dorm rooms with twin beds.
- Air-conditioned
- Non-smoking
- 2 shared bathrooms per unit
- Shared living area
- Complimentary Wi-Fi throughout campus
- Linens, towels, soap and drinking cup provided

Bryant’s Commitment to Cleanliness
- Click here for Bryant’s full detailed plan.

Amenities:
- Pool
- Sand volleyball, basketball, squash, racquetball, golf putting green, cross country course
- Hiking trails
- On-site parking
- Laundry available on-site
- Mobility accessible rooms

PLANNING YOUR VISIT

Dress is Casual
Bring a relaxed wardrobe and comfortable shoes. Please check the weather forecast and plan to bring a raincoat and or light jacket for outside activities.

Activities
Once you arrive on-site, you can sign up for various on-site and off-site activities.

HEALTH AND SAFETY

Bryant has on-campus medical facilities and is located within 15 minutes of hospital facilities.

COVID-19 Safety Recommendations
Cloth face coverings are required by law in public spaces currently.
Information and updates from the RI Department of Health can be found here.

MEALS

All meals are served buffet style in Salmanson Dining Room.
Vegetarian and gluten free selections are provided at all meals. Kosher meals are available at the venue with advanced notice.

SCIENCE AND POSTER SESSIONS

Science Sessions are held in Janikies Auditorium.

Poster Sessions are held in the Academic Innovation Center’s Innovation Forum.
Poster board dimensions are 4 feet x 4 feet.

DEPARTURES

Breakfast is available on Friday morning from 7:30 am to 8:30 am.
Hotel check-out is at 10:00 am.

ADDITIONAL DETAILS ARE AVAILABLE AT WWW.GRC.ORG