COVID-19 Protocols and Vaccination Requirements at Bryant University

GRC continues to monitor venue and state-wide practices and update this page as often as possible.

GRC Current COVID-19 Policies and Procedures

To ensure the safety of venue and GRC staff, and each of our GRC communities, there are a few COVID-19 policies and procedures to keep in mind before your travels.

- Currently, GRC is requiring masks in all GRC spaces and the COVID-19 vaccination and booster for all attendees and guests before attending the meeting. Masking is not mandated by the venue in public spaces, but it is required by GRC in conference spaces.
- GRC recommends that you bring your own self-test kits to the venue to test when you arrive before joining to group to prevent any spread of COVID-19 throughout the GRC community.
- It is important to know that should you test positive while on-site:
  - You will need to abide by the CDC recommendations regarding testing and isolation.
  - Unfortunately, GRC will not be able to provide you with a refund as once you are on site, GRC has incurred those expenses.

While the policies listed here reflect those of the venue, GRC attendees are expected to follow guidelines as outlined by GRC above. GRC policies regarding masking and vaccination status will supersede those put in place by the venue when utilizing GRC event spaces.

Additional Health and Safety Practices in Place at Bryant University

- Students and employees were required to receive the COVID-19 booster for the Spring semester.
- Masks are no longer required indoors at Bryant.
- Bryant University’s custodial staff will be focused on deep cleaning on a regular basis in high use areas of the campus.
- Bryant University has hand sanitizing stations around campus.
- Click here for Bryant’s full detailed plan.

Rhode Island’s Regulations and Information

- Indoor and outdoor catered events are permitted to open to 100% capacity.
- Masks are no longer required indoors.
- Information on reopening Rhode Island here.
- Information regarding international travel to the United States 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: Click here for GRC’s discounted rates with Enterprise or National Rental Car.

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 2:00pm—5:00pm 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

Indoor and outdoor catered events are permitted to open to 100% capacity.

There is no longer a limit on social gatherings.

Masks or proof of vaccination are required at certain indoor venues, including entertainment venues, retail, places of worship, manufacturing, and offices.

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