



Immunization Requirements & Recommendations

PURPOSE

In accordance with the California State University Policy Executive Order (EO) 803¹ on Immunization requirements, CSU policy on COVID-19 Vaccinations and Other Safety Measures², and the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Immunization Schedules³, San Francisco State University (SFSU) has implemented the following requirements and recommendations.

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REQUIREMENTS

All Students

All students ages 18 and younger are required to provide proof of full immunization against hepatitis B (HepB) prior to enrollment per California Health & Safety Code (HSC), Sections 120390-12039.7.⁴ All new incoming students are also required to complete tuberculosis (TB) risk screening questionnaire, as recommended by the CDC, American College Health Association (ACHA)⁵, and California Department of Public Health (CDPH).

Immunization	Abbreviation	Description
Hepatitis B ⁶	HepB	Full immunization series. First-time enrollees at SFSU 18 years of age and younger.
TB Risk Screening ^{5,7}	TB	All new incoming students are required to complete a TB Risk Screening prior to arrival on campus and in conjunction with verification of pre-matriculation immunization requirements. Only those students with identifiable risk factors for exposure to TB and/or for TB disease will be tested.

¹ [CSU EO 803 Immunization Requirements and Recommendations](#)

² [CSU Policy on COVID-19 Vaccinations and Other Safety Measures](#)


³ [CDC Immunization Schedules](#)

⁴ [California Health & Safety Code \(HSC\), Sections 120390-12039.7](#)

⁵ [ACHA Guidelines: Tuberculosis Screening and Targeted Testing of College and University Students](#)

⁶ [CDC Hepatitis B Vaccination Information Sheet](#)

⁷ [California Tuberculosis Risk Assessment College and University Students](#)

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Students in SFSU Campus Housing

SFSU, in accordance with California Department of Public Health (CDPH) recommendations and the CDC,⁸ requires that students seeking eligibility for SFSU campus residential housing are required to complete the requirements listed for all students as indicated above (i.e. HepB & TB), and provide proof of full immunization for the immunizations below:

Immunization	Abbreviation	
Measles, mumps, and rubella ⁹	MMR	2 doses on or after 1 st birthday. All incoming students born after 1956.
Varicella ¹⁰	VAR	2 doses on or after 1 st birthday. All incoming students born in U.S. after 1979. ¹¹
Tetanus, diphtheria and pertussis ¹²	Tdap	1 dose on or after the 7 th birthday. All incoming students.
COVID-19 ¹³	1vCOV-mRNA 2vCOV-mRNA 1vCOV-aPS	Completion of a primary COVID-19 vaccine series plus a booster, if eligible for one.
Meningococcal ACWY ¹⁴	MenACWY-D MenACWY-CRM MenACWY-TT	1 dose on or after the 16 th birthday.
Hepatitis B ¹⁵	HepB	Full immunization series.

⁸ [CDPH Immunization Recommendations & Screening Requirements for CA Colleges & Universities with Student Housing](#)

⁹ [CDC Measles, Mumps, and Rubella Vaccine Information Sheet](#)

¹⁰ [CDC Varicella \(Chickenpox\) Vaccine Information Sheet](#)


¹¹ Varicella Immunization – history of contracting the disease does not meet compliance.

¹² [CDC Tdap \(Tetanus, Diphtheria, Pertussis\) Vaccine Information Sheet](#)

¹³ [COVID-19 Vaccine Interim COVID-19 Immunization Schedule](#)

¹⁴ [CDC Meningococcal ACWY Vaccine Information Sheet](#)

¹⁵ [CDC Hepatitis B Vaccination Information Sheet](#)

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RECOMMENDATIONS

The CSU recommends that students are current for the immunizations listed below. Immunizations prevents death worldwide and students are strongly encouraged to prevent diseases, protect health throughout the lifespan, and help to prevent and mitigate outbreaks.^{16,17,18}

Recommended Vaccines to Reduce Outbreaks

Immunization
Measles, mumps, and rubella
Varicella
Tetanus, diphtheria and pertussis
COVID-19
Meningococcal ACWY
Meningococcal B
Influenza vaccine
Mpox vaccine (JYNNEOS™)

Other Vaccines Recommended for Adults

Immunization
Hepatitis A (Hep A) Vaccine
Hepatitis B (Hep B) Vaccine – Ages 19 and older
Human Papillomavirus (HPV) Vaccine
Pneumococcal Vaccine
Polio Vaccine
Meningococcal B
Influenza vaccine

MEETING THE REQUIREMENT

Students will be required to submit their immunizations and documentation by the first day of classes for the fall semester and by the first day of classes for the spring semester.

Students may fulfill immunization requirements by submitting medical documentation as proof of immunization online through the secure MyHealth patient portal.

EXEMPTIONS

Students are permitted to seek exemptions to the above vaccination requirements for medical or for sincerely held religious beliefs. Students seeking an exemption will be required to submit an Exemption Request Form to the university. Exemption requests must be submitted by the same deadlines as outlined above.

ADDITIONAL DISCRETIONARY REQUIREMENTS

In the event of a local or campus-based outbreak of a vaccine-preventable disease, the local public health department and/or the CDPH is authorized to require immunizations beyond those currently required. SFSU will consult with the appropriate public health authority in case of an outbreak.

ACADEMIC PROGRAM AND FIELDWORK OR CLINICAL PLACEMENT REQUIREMENTS

All students enrolled in health care fields of study or teacher education programs are required to provide documentation regarding the completion of immunizations and health screenings as established by the state licensing agencies or clinical placement sites or fieldwork sites. Students should contact the

¹⁶ [CDC Fast Facts on Global Immunization](#)

¹⁷ [ACHA GUIDELINE "Immunization Recommendations for College Students" April 2023](#)

¹⁸ [CDC Pox Vaccination Basics](#)



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academic program for the specific required immunizations, health screenings (e.g., TB screening and physical examination) and any other fieldwork or clinical placement requirements.

HOLDS


Students who are not compliant with the university’s immunization and tuberculosis (TB) risk screening requirement may have a registration hold placed on their record. This hold may be implemented for the second semester of their enrollment at the university and will prevent registration in classes offered in future terms.

OPERATIONAL RESPONSIBILITY

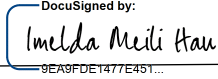
Student Health Services (SHS) will administer the immunization requirement program on behalf of the university. SHS will also be responsible for advising students on how to obtain the required immunizations through private health care providers, local health departments, or SHS. Questions regarding this requirement and options on how to meet the requirements should be directed to SHS.

EFFECTIVE DATE

This policy is in effect for all SFSU students with the start of the Fall 2023 term.

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