



Return to onsite instruction is planned for the Fall semester 2020 pending continued progress in Illinois' phases for re-opening from COVID-19 lockdown. Darul Qasim will adopt the following measures to minimize risk to students, faculty and administration from the general threat of COVID-19. These may be above and beyond government requirements prevailing at the time.

- Prior to attending their first onsite class, students will be asked to provide medical history for both their general health and COVID-related concerns. This will form part of our long-term plan for enhancing student health and well-being and to be prepared for student medical emergencies and contagious infection tracking.
- While onsite classes will be scheduled, provisions will be made for online instruction for students who are not able to attend for health reasons. This provision may also be exercised if onsite classes are suspended due to resurgence of COVID-19 in the general population or if deemed necessary based on local infections.
- Students, faculty, and administration will be required to stay at home if they had a fever in the preceding 7 days, have been confirmed with COVID-19 infection or have been in contact with a confirmed COVID-19 infected person. Anyone who has been confirmed with COVID-19 infection or has been in contact with a confirmed COVID-19 infected person, will not be allowed to return to Darul Qasim campus until cleared by the administration based on government and public health guidelines.
- Students who have come from or visited a location which has a more severe COVID-19 infection status than Illinois will require clearance from administration before physically coming to Darul Qasim campus. This includes visits to the students' home state/country. Clearance to return will be based on government and public health guidelines for quarantining in these circumstances.
- Students, faculty, and administration will be required to check-in with administration each time they enter the campus building. They will be checked for fever near the entrances prior to being permitted to proceed further into the building. Women staff will be on hand near the women's entrance to check-in female students and faculty. Any student found to have a fever will not be permitted to proceed, and must be cleared by administration before returning to campus. Clearance to return will be based on government and public health guidelines.
- While on campus, all students, faculty, administration and volunteers will be required to wear face masks at all time. Masks must cover both the mouth and



the nose. Note that masks are required primarily for the protection of others and therefore, no personal discretion will be allowed on this matter.

- Students, faculty, and staff will be expected to practice maintaining as much distance as possible while in class, in student lounges, in washroom/wudu areas, and in the corridors and common areas.
- There will a strict 'no food sharing' policy in place. Students, faculty, and staff will be required to clean up their food plates and utensils and eating area immediately after eating.

Darul Qasim intends to conclude the fall semester by Thanksgiving in order to minimize student travel during the semester, and allow for more detailed evaluation of the COVID-19 situation during December and January prior to re-opening for the spring semester. To accommodate the shorter semester, students and faculty should be prepared to be flexible with their class timings and for higher than normal workload.

In order to ensure the safety and well-being of all who come to Darul Qasim, the administration will strictly enforce these measures. Anyone found to have willfully ignored health and safety policies, rules and regulations will be disciplined. Serious violations may result in expulsion.

The Darul Qasim Board