**Dalplex & Athletics Facilities**

Athletics facilities at Dalhousie have started reopening in phases, with a number of strict protocols in place to ensure the community’s health and safety. At the moment, Dalplex (including the fieldhouse) and Wickwire Field are open, though Sexton Gym remains closed. Access is for members and Dalhousie students only at this time.

**Arts Centre & Rebecca Cohn Auditorium**

The Dalhousie Arts Centre and Rebecca Cohn Auditorium remain closed, and all public events and concerts have been cancelled or postponed until the end of 2020.

**Researchers hard at work**

Even though campus is closed to most, many researchers have been hard at work on COVID-related projects with global impacts, like pandemic-related challenges in accessing primary health care.

**Public access to campus**

Most indoor campus spaces (including food services, community spaces, event spaces, etc.) remain closed to the public. Only approved personnel or students living in university residences are permitted in campus buildings at this time.

**Dal Libraries**

Select library spaces (computers and study rooms) are available for student bookings. The Dal Libraries are also offering curbside pick-up for Dalhousie and Kings students and faculty. The Libraries plan to open more common spaces for the community into the fall.

**Open Dialogue Series**

Open Dialogue offers opportunities to collaborate and engage in discussion on various topics in a virtual format. The next event, *Innovation, Passion and Dedication — a conversation with business leader and entrepreneur George Armoyan* will be on Wednesday, September 23. Visit [alumni.dal.ca](https://alumni.dal.ca) for details.

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Please visit dal.ca/coronavirus for updates on Dalhousie this fall.
A SAFE AND HEALTHY RETURN TO CAMPUS

Safety is our top priority this fall. Though courses will be mostly online, some students will be returning to Halifax to live off-campus or in residence (at reduced capacity) for programs that require experiential learning, or to live and study virtually in the city.

Our faculty have been working hard over the summer to develop innovative online teaching approaches. You can learn more about Dal’s academic and safety plans at dal.ca. Here are just some of the steps Dalhousie is taking to help keep our community safe:

Arriving in Nova Scotia

Dalhousie is working with Nova Scotia Public Health and other universities and colleges in Nova Scotia to ensure both residence and off-campus students arriving from outside of Atlantic Canada complete three mandatory steps to help keep our community healthy:

• Completing the Nova Scotia Safe Check-In form
• Completing 14 days of self-isolation
• Completing three COVID-19 tests

To help support these students, Nova Scotia Health is establishing testing stations on and near campus so students have easy access to testing.

Dalhousie takes this matter very seriously. Dal Security is helping to ensure those students on campus are properly self-isolating; however, all students, whether on- or off-campus who are not self-isolating may face fines from the Halifax Regional Police/RCMP.

New guidelines for residences

This fall, our residences will look a little different. There will be fewer dining halls and fewer student residences open. (In Halifax, only Risley Hall, Sheriff Hall, LeMarchant Place, and Glengarry Apartments will house students). In addition, there will be no guests permitted in residence for the month of September until the public health situation is further assessed.

Orientation

The Dalhousie Student Union (DSU) will be holding various Orientation events from September 1 to September 11. Please note that in-person events are outdoors, and have been reviewed and approved by the University. There will be strict measures in place to ensure the health and safety of students.

Respect your neighbours

As many people in Halifax continue to work from home or complete a self-isolation period, we encourage everyone — especially students — to please be respectful of your neighbours.

Noise: Keep noise to reasonable levels. If you are not in compliance with the noise by-law in residential areas, you are subject to fines by the Halifax Regional Police ranging from $400 to $1,300.

Garbage: Let’s work together to keep our community clean. Download the Halifax Recycles app for your garbage and recycling schedule and for information about how to recycle certain materials. (Available for iPhone and Android devices)

Liquor: The drinking age in Nova Scotia is 19. Remember, you can be ticketed for underage drinking or public intoxication at any time. Please drink responsibly and look out for others around you!

Stay connected

The new Dal Mobile app is now available for download. It has information to keep students updated, stay connected with peers, access student resources and get information on events and extracurricular activities. The DalSAFE app is another resource for our community, and has information on building closures, weather events and parking. (Both available for iPhone and Android devices.)

KEEPPING OUR COMMUNITY SAFE

Return to campus planning

Dalhousie is undergoing a gradual, phased approach to return people to campus at a reduced capacity. Here are some things we’re doing to ensure our campus is safe for everyone:

• Only individuals required to work on campus and who can do so safely have been allowed to return to campus. The majority of faculty and staff will continue to work remotely.
• Masks or face coverings are required in most indoor common spaces at Dalhousie.
• Everyone on campus is expected to maintain a safe physical distance of 2 metres (6 feet) from others. To help everyone navigate our spaces, we’ve created directional signage for common spaces, and physical barriers for required in-person services.
• Our Custodial Services team is ensuring frequent cleaning and disinfecting of high-touch surfaces in common areas, and in our residences.
• Indoor events, meetings and gatherings are not permitted until at least October 15, 2020 (conditional on the public health situation). Many events have been cancelled or postponed until the end of 2020.