

**Guidance for students/Delegates attending professional short courses and Exams
at Solent University - 2021-2022 Academic Session**

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Following the government's guidance from 4th April we will not be requiring delegates attending courses to undertake any testing before attending. However it is strongly recommended that face coverings are worn when in enclosed spaces and where social distancing is not possible to be maintained and there may be some courses which may still require additional PPE, which will be provided as appropriate.

Whilst the requirement for testing has been relaxed we would ask that students/course delegates only attend their course if they are fully well to do so, this is to ensure that your fellow students/course delegates and staff are protected and courses can continue to run. If you have any issues/concerns please do not hesitate to contact us via warsash.admissions@solent.ac.uk

Solent University is committed to providing a safe place to work and study. Please read this additional guidance before travelling for your course. It is very important that if you or any of your household members have symptoms that may be due to coronavirus (COVID-19) that you follow the Government's guidance on self-isolation. The health and wellbeing of our students and staff are paramount to us.

Face Coverings

Face coverings are strongly encouraged to be worn whilst on campus in main communal areas and requirements will be displayed at each of the campuses. Specific areas may require appropriate PPE to be worn at all times, and delegates will be advised by the course teams. Please ensure that you bring appropriate face coverings with you and that you adhere to staff requests at all time.

A Travelling to the University

UK Border Rules and Exemptions

You must ensure that you comply with border rules in place at the time of travel. The latest information is available here:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/coronavirus-covid-19-immigration-and-borders>

However, there are some exemptions for the maritime sector which may be applicable. Students/delegates should check this, before attending.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-travellers-exempt-from-uk-border-rules>

B Travelling within the UK to Solent University campuses

Using public transport

Government guidance advocates walking and cycling where possible and encourage you to consider all other forms of transport before using public transport.

If you need to use public transport, please be advised of the following guidelines:

- You should wear a face mask or face-covering in public places where social distancing is not possible.

- Place greater emphasis on the avoidance of using touchpoints. If this is unavoidable ensure you practice good hygiene by using a hand sanitiser
- Wash your hands for 20 seconds on arrival on campus
- Buy travel tickets online or use contactless payment

Parking facilities

Warsash Campus: parking will be available if you wish to travel by car. Please drive into the main entrance and park in the new car park on the lower site. However, if eligible transport can be arranged between halls of residence in Southampton and the Warsash campus, details will be provided separately.

East Park Terrace Campus: Some parking is available on campus - this is managed via RingGo and is no: 24703. Details of local parking venues are provided in the course joining information.

St Mary's campus (Austen building): no parking will be available however details of local parking venues are provided in the course joining information.

Timsbury: no parking is available at this site, please refer to course joining information for details of travel.

C Arrival onto campus

Warsash Campus: On arrival please go directly to the building and room number on your joining instructions to register for your course. Please sterilise your hands using hand sanitizers on arrival in the course delivery building. Please use your own pen for registration. Face coverings are strongly encouraged when inside Campus Buildings and Andark, during classroom teaching, and during close proximity (such as in the Partial or Enclosed Lifeboats + Offshore courses) Staff will be able to advise of requirements on specific courses.

East Park Terrace: On arrival please make your way to the room as advised by the course team or joining information. Please wash your hands or use hand sanitisers when you arrive. Please see your joining instructions for advice on registration for your courses. Please use your own pen for registration. Staff will be able to advise of requirements on specific courses/exams. Face coverings are strongly encouraged to be worn whilst on campus. Staff will be able to advise of requirements on specific courses.

St Mary's campus (Austen building): access will be via the main reception and all students need to register at the reception. Please wash your hands or use hand sanitizers on arrival. Please use your own pen if asked to sign in. Face coverings are strongly encouraged to be worn whilst on campus. Staff will be able to advise of requirements on specific courses/exams.

Timsbury: please wash your hands or use hand sanitisers when you arrive on campus. Please see your joining instructions for advice on registration for your courses. Please use your own pen for registration. Face coverings are strongly encouraged to be worn whilst on campus. Staff will be able to advise of requirements on specific courses.

D Moving around campus

We would expect all students/Delegates to follow all guidelines as specified above and as directed when on the course. Any student/Delegate who is found to disregard this information will be asked to leave the course for their own safety and that of their fellow

delegates. Please note that Face covering are strongly encouraged to be worn whilst moving around the University campuses and visiting its catering outlets on site and where social distancing is not possible.

E Facilities at our campuses

Catering:

East Park Terrace

There will be a range of food outlets available which will cater to a wide variety of tastes and requirements. Including Costa, C-Store, The Dock Restaurant, and East Park Deli.

Those courses which include catering within the course fee will be provided with details of boxed meal options and this will be explained during enrolment.

St Mary's Campus

There are no catering facilities available at this campus and limited access to the City College site. There is a range of food outlets available at our East Park Terrace Campus which will cater to a wide variety of tastes and requirements. Including Costa, C-Store, The Dock Restaurant, and East Park Deli. There are also local shops and restaurants.

You will need to bring suitable refreshments with you - drinks and non-perishable food items. Unfortunately, there will be no refrigeration available to store lunch items. Please bear this in mind especially in hot weather.

Warsash Campus

All delegates attending a course of 1 day or more, will be provided with a Sandwich Packed Lunch. If you have any dietary requirements, please ensure you advise at the time of booking or on the first day and we will do our best to accommodate. Water will be provided, and vending of hot drinks (Hot Chocolate and Coffee) will be available. Please ensure that you bring suitable additional refreshments with you.

Toilets:

East Park Terrace Warsash and St Mary's Campus

Please respect social distancing when using facilities and maintain good hygiene at all times. Please wash your hands regularly throughout your time on campus.

F PPE and Face coverings

Please ensure that you bring appropriate face coverings with you and be prepared to use them. The University strongly encourages students and staff to wear face coverings whilst moving around the campus. Please ensure that you take face coverings/gloves home with you at the end of the day.

Warsash Campus

COVID-19 Respiratory Protective Equipment (RPE) will be provided on-site when required for specific circumstances where 2m social distancing is not possible due to the activity or practical concerns. **Students/Delegates will not be permitted to wear their own COVID-19 RPE where this is supplied during the course.**

Students/Delegates are expected to supply suitable clothing as specified in the joining instructions (such as boiler suits for fire courses and Proficiency in Survival Craft and

Rescue Boat) and swimwear (including T-shirts) for the Personal Survival Technique course.

G Emergency procedures

You will be advised of the emergency procedures at the start of your course. On hearing any fire alarm sound, please follow the instructions given and vacate the building in a safe and orderly manner. Maintain social distancing only if it is safe to do so.

H If you feel unwell during the course

If you develop possible Covid-19 symptoms during the course when not on-site, please contact the NHS via this website: <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19> or call 111 for further information and advise WMS as soon as possible by telephone: 023 8201 4206 or via email: wsmse.admin@solent.ac.uk