







Tier	Purpose	Trigger to move to less-stringent tier	Trigger to move to more-stringent tier
Virtual environment: restricted residential; no events	Continue academic pursuits while state shelters in place	Open Campus Operations	---
Tier 1: <i>Initial Tier when students return to campus</i>	Initial period of high caution when students return to campus <i>(two-week minimum)</i>	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two-week initial wait-period completed successfully • All initial contacts traced and tested (we have a handle on the process) • Initial rate of active diagnosis acceptable (TBD) (e.g., we have adequate facilities to quarantine known cases, and the capacity to trace and test all contacts) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State/County moves back to shelter in place (Phase One) • Mitigation and physical distancing are not able to adequately control disease transmission in a residential educational environment 
Tier 2:	Physical distancing to lower transmission rate	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Surveillance data indicate new transmission rate acceptable • Rate of new positive tests are low (e.g., identification of new cases does not exceed capability to test/trace) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tier 2 fails to adequately lower transmission rate • Surveillance sampling indicates unacceptable rate of new diagnosis • Rate of new positive tests exceeds capability to test/trace • Other situations as indicated 
Tier 3:	Stabilization – demonstrating minimal transmission	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The COVID-19 epidemic is determined to be over. • Campus population is considered to be immunocompetent against COVID-19 (e.g., vaccination or other demonstrated immunity) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Surveillance data indicate unacceptable transmission • Rate of new positive tests exceeds capability to test/trace • Other situations as indicated 
Full Recovery	Normal Operations. No testing or mitigation efforts needed	----	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New phase of epidemic • Either natural immunity or immunity from vaccination is shown to be less than effective 