

Return to Work - Physics Building Plan

- The building is open for limited operation under SBU and NY state policies. Operations include:
 - Teaching: In person classes are held on the plaza level and in person instructional labs are on A and B level.
 - Research: Research operation will continue under approved “Return to Research Phase II to IIV” plans.
 - Other work at the department: All faculty and staff employed by the Department of Physics and Astronomy and graduate students with office space assigned for 20/21 are authorized to work in their offices in the Physics Building.
- All approved individual and approved locations are listed here by [name](#) or by [floor](#).
- All approved individuals must complete the mandatory return to work training and the daily health screening. Complete the screening and report through the self screening app before coming to campus, either through your [browser](#) or through the [cell phone app](#). Do only report to the physics building (or campus) if you are free of symptoms.
- Face coverings are required at all times in common spaces, including corridors, restrooms, elevators and staircases, and in offices with multiple occupants. Requirements for research labs are regulated in individual return to research plans.
- All rooms and spaces in the building are limited to 50% of their design occupancy. Seminar rooms and other common spaces remain closed for social gatherings and events. In person meetings in these spaces are limited to 3-4 people.
- Researcher work needs to be approved through the “return to research plan”. Within approved research work areas, all approved individuals are expected to follow the engineering and administrative controls specified in the individual research groups “return to research” plans.
- There is currently one operational elevator in the physics building. It does not allow for social distancing and thus should be used in single occupancy only. If you can use stairs please do so.
- The stairways do not allow for consistent 6’ social distancing. We recommend using designated staircases to go up and others to go down. Corresponding signs are posted on the stairway doors. (see also attached plan)
- All bathrooms are open and serviced. Please consider single occupancy!

- The machine shop will be open to support research. Building manager, Rich Berscak, and the director of laboratory, Frank Chin, will be available to assist in any lab/building issues.
- During business hours the main office will have regular but reduced operation on staggered shifts. The main office door will be open for visitors to speak to staff members and receive assistance at the counter. The main office area beyond the counter remains limited to office staff only. In order to minimize foot traffic inquiries and communication should primarily occur via email and zoom.
- Shipping & Receiving will remain open; you will be notified of the arrival of packages by email. Call 631-632-8075 to schedule a day & time to pick up the package.

