**Cal Poly Humboldt Policy: Immunization Requirements**

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Approved by: Dr. Tom Jackson, President of Cal Poly Humboldt

In accordance with the California State University Policy (EO 803) on immunization requirements, Cal Poly Humboldt (Humboldt) has enacted the following requirements and recommendations. This policy applies to students enrolling fall 2023 and in subsequent semesters, and is applicable to students who enrolled in the spring 2023 semester.

**Required Immunizations**

Students must be current on the immunizations listed below. These immunization requirements are a condition of enrollment at Humboldt for students in all undergraduate and graduate students, students matriculated in self-support degree programs, and K-12 students participating in concurrent enrollment courses entering the CSU in or after Fall 2023. (The policy does not apply to students enrolled in fully online programs or in non-credit, professional development / extended education programs).

**For all Students:**

* Hepatitis B (Hep B): Students age 18 years and younger should complete the series. Based on the type of vaccine, the series may be two or three doses. (CA Health & Safety Code, Sec. 120390.5)
* Measles, Mumps, Rubella (MMR): Two doses with the first dose on or after the first birthday OR a positive titer (laboratory evidence of immunity to disease).
* Varicella (chickenpox): Two doses with the first dose on or after the first birthday OR a positive titer (laboratory evidence of immunity to disease). Note: a personal history of having had chickenpox does not meet compliance.

**For Students living in Cal Poly Humboldt Residential Housing:**

* COVID-19: Completion of a primary COVID-19 vaccine series (Two Moderna or Pfizer vaccines or a single dose of Johnson and Johnson) plus a booster if eligible for one.
* Meningococcal Conjugate (MenACWY): For those entering college prior to the age of 24 years; at least one dose at age 16 or older.

**Recommended Immunizations**

* COVID-19: All students, including those living off-campus, including annual boosters.
* Hepatitis A (Hep A): All students regardless of age.
* Hepatitis B (Hep B): Students that are age 19 and older.
* Human papillomavirus (HPV): All students through age 45 years.
* Influenza (flu): Annual vaccine for all students regardless of age.
* Meningococcal B (Meningitis B): Complete series, may be two or three doses, for students age 16 through 21 years.
* Meningococcal Conjugate (MenACWY): for all those entering college prior to the age of 24 years regardless of housing status (on or off campus); at least one dose at age 16 or older.
* Pneumococcal: For all students age 65 and older and for students with certain medical conditions (e.g., severe asthma, diabetes, chronic liver or kidney disease).
* Poliovirus (polio): Regardless of age, if the series was not completed as a child.
* Tetanus, diphtheria and pertussis (Tdap): One dose within the last ten years.
* Travel immunizations as pertinent based on destination.
* Screening / Risk Assessment for Tuberculosis (TB): We recommend that all incoming students complete a risk questionnaire. Those who are at higher risk for TB infection (as determined by the screening) should undergo testing for TB infection within 30 days of university entry.

**Exemptions**  
Students may submit exemptions to the above immunization requirements based on medical contraindications and/or sincerely held religious beliefs that run counter to all or certain vaccinations.

**Enrollment Requirement: Submission of Materials**

Students must complete the Student Health and Wellbeing Services (SHWS) Questionnaire about their immunization status (including exemption requests), as well as upload any supporting documentation, through the Cal Poly Humboldt Student Health Portal no later than September 20 for students entering the fall semester, and February 20 for students starting in the spring semester. If needed, please find the form for medical exemptions on the [SHWS immunization page](https://wellbeing.humboldt.edu/immunizations). SHWS will be responsible for tracking immunization status and communicating issues of non-compliance with the university’s Registrar’s office.

**Holds**

Students that are not compliant with Humboldt’s immunization requirements will have their student account put on a “hold.” This hold will apply to the second semester of enrollment and will prevent registration for classes in the second and future semesters. Holds will be removed once a student complies with the immunization requirements and has submitted all necessary materials.

**Discretionary Requirements in the Event of an Outbreak**

The local public health office and/or the California Department of Health is authorized to require immunizations beyond the requirements above in the event of a local or campus-based outbreak of a vaccine preventable disease. In the event of an outbreak, Humboldt officials will consult with Humboldt County Department of Health about steps we will take in the interest of public safety.

**Academic Program & Fieldwork or Clinical Placement Requirements**

All students enrolled in health care fields of study or teacher education programs are required to provide documentation regarding the completion of immunizations and health screenings as established by the state licensing agencies or clinical placement sites or fieldwork sites. Students should contact the academic program for the specific required immunizations, health screenings (e.g., TB screening and physical examination) and any other fieldwork or clinical placement requirements.

**Immunization Access**

Generally speaking, the majority of students will have had most of the required and recommended immunizations during childhood. Where indicated, SHWS will advise students about how to obtain required and recommended immunizations and health screenings through campus, private health care providers, local health departments and pharmacies.