

RETURN TO CAMPUS RATIONALE

Scheduling: Please keep in mind that lab permission is contingent upon maintaining low density in the building. Please describe a schedule or plan that ensures low density occupation. Include in your plan, your need for common-use instruments and equipment. Please strive for the minimum activity and occupancy that will lead to meaningful progress in your RSCA for the appropriate Phase. Keep in mind that we anticipate incremental increases in maximum occupancy in accordance with guidance from county and CSU officials. However, we cannot yet predict when the safety-based Phases will advance or retreat. Faculty with labs/studios on the same floor are encouraged to collaborate on their RSCA scheduling. Please work with your College Review Committees and Deans to develop schedules that combine to maximize the number of research programs that resume while minimizing risk. Accordingly, in this section, please describe any plans you have undertaken collaboratively with others who are proximal to your RSCA space.

Rationale for Return to Campus: Considering the **CSU Guidance for 2020-21 Academic Year Planning in the Context of COVID-19, Attachment A**, *explain why your RSCA work should be prioritized for Research recovery during the appropriate phase*. Applications should include only essential faculty and staff for the designated RSCA activities. Student involvement in on-campus or field research during this period will only be permitted in exceptional circumstances, such as a requirement for the imminent completion of the student’s academic degree.

Phase	Phase Priority	Rationale (to be completed by PI)
1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only activities to support research and scholarship continuity are allowed. In consultation with the Chancellor, exceptions can be made at the campus level by the President. • Individuals identified as “essential” to maintaining research and scholarship capability are allowed on campus. • All research, scholarship and creative activities that can be conducted remotely should continue in that mode. 	No rationale from PI is required for Phase 1
2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Time sensitive RSCA may resume. This category of RSCA is limited to projects that have hard deadlines imposed by data or sample expiration, or similar non-administrative constraints. • All RSCA that can be conducted remotely should continue in that modality. • On campus RSCE activity is limited to levels that equate to approximately 35% of College space and personnel resources (determine this level in consultation with College Review Committees) 	PI's / Project Directors should provide rationale for resumption of RSCA activity in a specified space on campus. Please address: Personnel/space limitations (35%), Priority criteria (hard-deadlines, degrading samples, etc.), and Safety plan. *Consult with College RSCA Committee.

3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RSCA activity with deadlines and benchmarks that are sensitive to funding agency directives may resume with reduced density and effort. • On campus RSCE activity is limited to levels that equate to approximately 50% of College space and personnel resources (determine this level in consultation with College Review Committees) • Limited participation for graduate and undergraduate students. Only those students nearing graduation whose degree completion is contingent upon their own on-campus RSCA should be considered (students cannot be compelled to return to campus and students cannot work unattended) • Fieldwork that does not require interaction with the public can be proposed for small groups if the activity is consistent with local health restrictions. Travel plans must be consistent with CSU COVID19 guidelines. • Plan for sudden return to Phase 2 or 1 if required. 	<p>PI's / Project Directors should provide rationale for resumption of RSCA activity in a specified space on campus. Please address: Personnel/ space limitations (50%), Priority criteria (hard- deadlines, funding contingencies, etc.), and safety plan. *Consult with College RSCA Committee.</p>
4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expansion of research toward normal density while maintaining social distancing practices is allowed. • On campus RSCA transitions to levels that equate to approximately 75% of College space and personnel resources (determine this level in consultation with College Review Committees) • Fieldwork that interacts with the public can be proposed for small groups if the activity is consistent with local health restrictions. Travel plans must be consistent with CSU COVID19 guidelines. • Limited participation for graduate and undergraduate students. Only those students nearing graduation whose degree completion is contingent upon their own on-campus RSCA should be considered. students cannot be compelled to return to campus and students cannot work unattended) 	<p>PI's / Project Directors should provide rationale for resumption of RSCA activity in a specified space on campus. Please address: Personnel/space limitations (75%), Priority criteria (value of RSCA to university community), and Safety plan. *Consult with College RSCA Committee</p>
5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plan for sudden return to Phase 3, 2, or 1 if required <p>Return to normal RSCA activity on campus and in the field</p>	

