

Winter Closure Reminders
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Dean Steve Graham

Dear Stanford Earth community,

Only two days until winter closure. Before we disperse, I want to share some important reminders.

Our buildings will close at 5pm Friday to all but a skeleton crew of staff who by now know who they are. We will reopen for Winter quarter on Monday, January 4.

Surveillance testing will continue throughout the break. The university will introduce new requirements for faculty, staff and post docs starting on January 4. Find details here: [Guidance on faculty, staff and post doc including eligibility, requirements, holiday drop-off locations and hours](#)

[Guidance for students including winter break testing hours & location.](#)

If you experience a COVID compliance concern in a Stanford Earth building I would like to encourage you to reach out so we can address your concerns and help us all do the right thing. If you are unsure who to contact, consider starting with one of the individuals listed below. They are all available to help, as am I.

- Your department manager, chair or advisor
- Katie Dunn, Earth Materials Lab Manager and University COVID Research Continuity team member, kadunn@stanford.edu or 650-384-7595
- Sandy Meyer, Facilities and Operations Director, skmeyer@stanford.edu, or 650-996-5645
- Alyssa Ferree, Assistant Dean, Student Services, aferree@stanford.edu
- Scott Fendorf, Senior Associate Dean fendorf@stanford.edu
- [Stanford Ethics and Compliance Helpline](#)

As you know from the provost's [email](#) Monday, the university plans to bring back first-year undergraduates and sophomores for winter quarter -- albeit two weeks later than previously stated.

We currently expect a cascade of arrivals along these lines:

January 4: Professional school students return (business and law)

January 11: Stanford Earth and other graduate students return to class.

January 22: Frosh and sophomores return to campus for two-week quarantine with remote classes.

This is a critical period of the pandemic. Please stay safe, mask up, and distance.

Best wishes and happy holidays. I do hope everyone gets a good rest.

Steve