

## Information on visiting scholars under conditions of the coronavirus pandemic

Status: 11 October 2022

Since the 24<sup>th</sup> instruction (*Dienstanweisung*) of 22.03.2022, no specific regulations apply to visiting scholars and delegations. The UHH hygiene plan specifies more detailed regulations.

These specifications are binding in its current version. Visits by guests or delegations may take place in compliance with the protective and hygiene measures set forth in the hygiene plan according to 3 basic scenarios of the German Government (Best-case Scenario/level I, Basic Scenario/level II, Worst-case Scenario/level III) for the evolution of the SARS-COV-2 pandemic.

The following recommended protective measures result from the basic scenarios:

Measures category	Best-case Scenario (level I)	Basic Scenario (level II)	Worst-case Scenario (level III)
<b>Field of activity</b> <b>Research</b>	In-person; maximum occupancy in classrooms permitted; basic protective measures recommended (distancing, hygiene, masks, ventilation—in German known as the “AHA-L” regulations) (masks recommended)	Restricted in-person (goal: reducing contact); protective measures (masks, etc.) mandatory; maximum occupancy in classrooms permitted; distancing recommended	Digital teaching as a rule (with few exceptions); protective measures (masks, etc.) mandatory; distancing (checker-board pattern) mandatory; i.e., reduced occupancy in classrooms
Domestic travel	Standard operations with safety precautions	Observe varying regional protective measures	Prohibited (special application to the University President)
International travel	Observe travel warnings	If necessary, restrictions based on regulations set by authorities; observe travel warnings	Prohibited (special application to the University President)
Receiving delegations	Permitted, if necessary with restriction	Special application to the University President	Prohibited

Hosts must inform their visiting scholars before and throughout their stay of the current coronavirus regulations, and visiting scholars must comply accordingly (<https://www.uni-hamburg.de/en/newsroom/intern/2020/0323-auswirkungen-mitarbeitende.html>).

Further information on scenario-based planning for Winter Semester 2022/23 can be found here:

<https://www.uni-hamburg.de/en/newsroom/intern/2020/0131-corona-faq/en22071-szenariobasierte-planung-ws-2022-23.pdf>

General information on visiting scholar stays can be found in the KUS-Portal:

<https://www.kus.uni-hamburg.de/en/themen/internationales/gastreicht.html>

The current visiting scholar form of the WISO-Faculty and current information can be found on the faculty's homepage:

<https://www.wiso.uni-hamburg.de/en/forschung/forschungsfoerderung/gastwissenschaft.html>

Please note that an application for visiting scholarship must be submitted at least four weeks before the beginning of the stay.

## Old Instructions

Status: 1 November 2021

The 22<sup>nd</sup> instruction (*Dienstanweisung*) from the president of the university of 30 September 2021 allows visit of guests and delegation. Visits may take place in compliance with the protective and hygiene measures set forth in the hygiene plan. Hosts must inform their visiting scholars before and throughout their stay of the current coronavirus regulations, and visiting scholars must comply accordingly.

Status: 2 June 2021

The 19th instruction (*Dienstanweisung*) from the president of the university of 31 May 2021 allows again the visit of guests and delegations under consideration of the current hygiene rules. We explicitly request that you avoid work-related to regions where a variant of the virus has emerged, regions with high infection rates, and high risk regions.

See [https://www.rki.de/DE/Content/InfAZ/N/Neuartiges\\_Coronavirus/Risikogebiete.html](https://www.rki.de/DE/Content/InfAZ/N/Neuartiges_Coronavirus/Risikogebiete.html) for the RKI's current list of these areas.

The host institution (professorship) must document these exceptions in writing and send them to the faculty and the Office of the Dean with the application for a visiting scholarship (more information [here](#)).

The host institution (professorship or research centre) must inform potential guest that their planned stay may be cancelled at short notice due to daily changes in the applicable rules of Universität Hamburg or the classification of the guest's country of residence as a risk area. Guests must also comply with the quarantine regulations in force at the time of their arrival in Hamburg. The faculty will not be responsible for any costs incurred by a short-term cancellation of a guest's stay.

Guests of Universität Hamburg are subject to the rules for employees regarding COVID-19 in accordance with the valid instructions (*Dienstanweisung*). The inviting professorship is obligated to inform guests of the applicable rules before arrival and during their stay.

Status: 26 May 2021

The 10th instruction (*Dienstanweisung*) from the president of the university issued on the 14<sup>th</sup> of December 2020 prohibits the visit of guests and delegations until further notice. This rule remains in place until further notice. The instruction do not outline exceptions to this rule. There is also a ban on business for all employees of the University of Hamburg for domestic and international travel.

Status: 6 October 2020

The eighth instruction (*Dienstanweisung*) from the president of the university of 9 July 2020 allows again the visit of guests and delegations under consideration of the current hygiene rules. The reception of visiting scholars from areas classified as risk areas by the RKI is still prohibited. An overview of the current risk areas can be found here (in German):

[https://www.rki.de/DE/Content/InfAZ/N/Neuartiges\\_Coronavirus/Risikogebiete.html](https://www.rki.de/DE/Content/InfAZ/N/Neuartiges_Coronavirus/Risikogebiete.html)

Exceptions for guests from risk areas can only be made if all of the following three conditions are met:

1. The stay requires a period of presence at a location of Universität Hamburg.
2. The planned duration of stay is longer than 2 months.
3. The use of the infrastructure of Universität Hamburg planned for the stay can't be postponed (e.g. measurement times on the Bahrenfeld campus or similar).

The host institution (professorship) must document these exceptions in writing and send them to the faculty and the Office of the Dean with the application for a visiting scholarship (more information: <https://www.uni-hamburg.de/en/newsroom/intern/2020/0323-internationales.html>)

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