

# Students get ready for spring semester at Arrival Center

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Students began trickling into the Arrival Center at the Hyatt Regency Hotel this past weekend ahead of moving on to campus for the spring semester. The center is intended for students living on campus to safely transition from home to campus by getting tested for COVID-19 and receiving programming to support their return or arrival to campus.

All students must receive a negative COVID-19 test result before moving into their on-campus residence halls. This semester, students were required to receive a flu vaccine as well as receive a negative COVID-19 test before returning to New Orleans. Students who hadn't received the flu vaccine prior to coming to the Arrival Center were administered one by Campus Health at the center.

This semester's Arrival Center will remain operational through Jan. 16. Classes begin for the spring semester on Jan. 19.

For more information on this semester's Arrival Center, [click here](#).



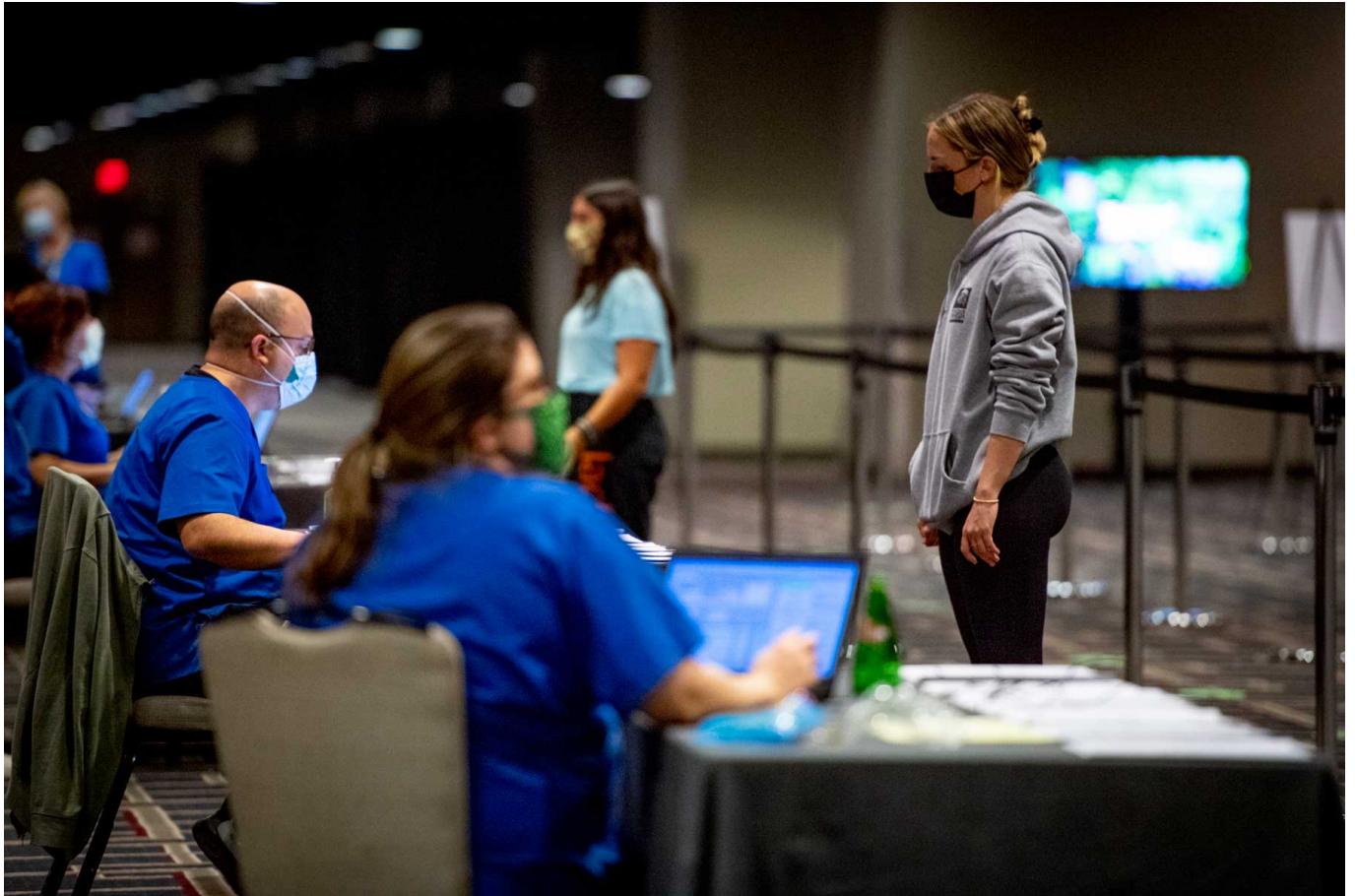
President Michael Fitts (right) greets student Joseph Tomshe (center) and his twin brother, William, as Joseph pushes his bike into the Arrival Center. William is helping Joseph move for the spring semester. (Photo by Sally Asher)



Casey and Savanna Mayer check in at the Arrival Center. Casey is training to be a therapy dog so Mayer can take him to local New Orleans hospitals to visit with patients. (Photo by Sally Asher)



Shreya Srigiri gets her temperature checked as she enters the Arrival Center. (Photo by Paula Burch-Celentano)



Nurses with Campus Health meet with students to review immunization records to verify they have received the flu vaccine. (Photo by Paula Burch-Celentano)



President Fitts and first-year student Rahima Olatinwo from Alexandria, Louisiana, go in for an elbow bump. "I'm looking forward to being in a new space," Olatinwo said. "New Orleans is one of a kind." (Photo by Sally Asher)



First-year Spring Scholar Alex Rich self-administers a COVID-19 test. (Photo by Paula Burch-Celentano)



Emily Holt with Campus Health cuts off Joelle Friedman's yellow wristband after replacing it with a green one, signaling she can proceed to check into on-campus housing. Friedman is most

looking forward to reconnecting with her friends. (Photo by Sally Asher)



Miccah Izaguirre (left) with the Hyatt Hotel checks student Anna Ryu's luggage for the shuttle to campus. Ryu said, "I'm most looking forward to seeing my friends, and taking some real cool classes." (Photo by Sally Asher)