

Indiana Stay-At-Home Declaration | HU Resident Student FAQ

Governor Eric J. Holcomb delivered a statewide address Monday, March 23, 2020, to order that Hoosiers remain in their homes except when they are at work or for permitted activities. Huntington University is committed to compliance with any local, state, or federal mandate put in place to slow the spread of COVID-19. Much of the information below comes from the [Indiana State COVID-19 information website](#).

When does the order take effect?

The Stay-At-Home Order takes effect Tuesday, March 24, at 11:59 p.m. ET.

When does the order end?

The order ends on Monday, April 6, at 11:59 p.m. ET, but could be extended if the outbreak warrants it.

Where does the order apply?

The Stay-At-Home Order applies to the entire state of Indiana. Unless you work for an essential business or are doing an essential activity, you must stay home.

As per the State of Indiana (excerpt): Essential Business or Operation (Educational Institutions)

Educational institutions (including public and private pre-K-12 schools, colleges, and universities) for purposes of facilitating distance learning, performing critical research, or performing essential functions, provided that social distancing of six-feet per person is maintained to the greatest extent possible.

Does the current educational plan at HU comply with the above definition?

Yes, the decision to move to a virtual modality for delivering courses while practicing social distancing satisfies the expectation for essential activity.

As a resident student, can I freely move about town?

Staying on campus is recommended at this time but grocery stores, pharmacies, and restaurant takeout are considered essential services and are all accessible.

Can I still order take out/delivery from restaurants?

Yes, restaurants can continue to provide takeout and delivery, but should be closed to dine-in patrons.

Will the grocery store/pharmacy be open?

Yes, grocery stores and pharmacies are essential services.

Will roads in Indiana be closed?

No, the roads will remain open. You should only travel if it is for your health or essential work.

Can I be outside?

Of course! HU has some great outdoor spaces to enjoy. Please remember to limit the size of your group to six or less and should not include people who are ill.

Can I still take a plane out of Indiana?

Planes and other types of transportation should be used for essential travel.

Can I visit friends and family?

For your safety, as well as the safety of all Hoosiers, you should remain on campus to help fight the spread of COVID-19. In addition, during the period of the stay-at-home declaration, you should not invite friends or other visitors to campus.