

January 26, 2022

Dear NTU Faculty and Staff,

MODE OF INSTRUCTION, EFFECTIVE TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2022

Please be advised that NTU will be returning to regular modes of instruction, effective Tuesday, February 1, 2022, for the remainder of the Spring semester. This means classes will be held face-to-face, hybrid, online-synchronous, and online asynchronous in accordance with the published syllabus for each course.

We have worked very hard to ensure our campuses are safe. Our collective actions have resulted in the decision to return to a somewhat pre-pandemic learning environment. We urge you to continue to double-mask, wash hands frequently, social distance, and respect one another's rights to learn in a safety-conscious learning environment. We also ask everyone to get booster shots as an added layer of protection. The pandemic is far from being over, but we must make every effort to work towards claiming the safest learning and working environment for ourselves.

If the need arises to address any viral contaminations, affected buildings will be closed for deep cleaning, and you will be asked to stay away from those spaces until Maintenance provides clearance. This will be communicated through your NTU email and signage on the affected building entrances.

The following expectations will continue to apply to all NTU employees and students:

- Wear approved face masks, <u>covering nose and mouth</u>, at all times. Double-masking is the optimal strategy against the highly contagious omicron variant. Approved masks are available by sending your request to <u>bcooke@navajotech.edu</u>. Gaiters and cloth masks may be worn as an outer covering to a protective respirator (face mask) that is provided by NTU. The best mask protection, N95 or KN95, is also now available. All customers can receive three free masks paid for by the U.S. government. These masks can be used more than once, although you need to pay attention to the directions to ensure safety protocols are followed.
- Wash hands frequently; Keep hand sanitizer available for instances when soap & water are unavailable.
- Monitor temperatures to access all campus buildings; Sign-in at the check-in stations that are set up in the different buildings.
- Follow all CDC guidelines especially when you are not on NTU campuses. Please think twice about going into large gathering or social environments.

Finally, we appreciate and need your help to create the safest learning environment possible. Have a successful Spring Semester!

With respect,

Dr. Elmer J. Guy, University President