



UNIVERSITY of NORTH CAROLINA WILMINGTON

COVID-19 Placement Waiver

UNCW has issued, and continues to issue, information related to its plan to address COVID-19 (commonly referred to as Coronavirus). UNCW academic and student affairs units have made, or are making, arrangements for alternative assignments that fulfill program requirements for applied learning experiences involving off-campus learning, especially those with required interaction with a 3rd, non-UNCW party, including clinical placements, internships, service-learning, community-based (participatory) research and field placements (hereinafter referred to collectively as “placements”).

The Fall 2020 Planning Committee has provided guidelines to prioritize virtual opportunities whenever possible to eliminate risk of contagion via 3rd-party contact. **As such, UNCW requires that all students consult and explore alternative course assignments with their instructor.** In cases where program requirements and student learning outcomes cannot be fulfilled virtually, applied learning placements may be permitted under the following conditions: the UNCW supervisor approves; the 3rd-party site is open to placements, vetted for health and safety protocols, and agrees to respect UNCW safety protocols; and the student signs the COVID-19 Placement Waiver.

By signing, you acknowledge that your decision to participate in the placement is voluntary, and that you have undertaken appropriate training. You acknowledge that you understand the health risks of attending the placement and that your physical presence in the facility, which may include direct contact with other people, may significantly increase your risk of exposure to COVID-19 and other illness. You agree to abide by all policies and procedures of the host facility regarding COVID-19 and other infectious diseases, including those regarding self-reporting and self-quarantine in the event you experience symptoms of illness. You understand that the host facility may prohibit you from attending your placement in the event you manifest, or appear to manifest, symptoms of illness. You understand that the host facility may later decide not to accept students, and/or UNCW may later decide to require you to make alternative course assignments. **You understand that UNCW is not responsible in the event you are exposed to, or contract, COVID-19 or other illness as a result of your attendance in the placement and/or presence in the host facility.**

UNCW reserves the right to restrict students' attendance in placements in the event of new university, local/city/county, System, State, or Federal guidance or mandates.

Signed:

Signature

Date

Printed name