

# IMMUNIZATION POLICY

Immunization Requirements for **ALL** incoming students **due July 1, 2021:**

State of Connecticut [General Statutes](#) and Wesleyan University regulations require that all full-time or matriculating students born after December 31, 1956, provide proof of adequate immunization or screening against measles, mumps, rubella, varicella, and meningitis prior to student enrollment at the university. Additionally, **new and returning** Wesleyan students will be required to upload documentation of COVID-19 vaccination before they can enroll in the fall 2021 semester.

The university also requires Tuberculosis screening for all new students, both domestic and international, based on recommendations from the Connecticut Department of Health.

Students not compliant with the above immunization requirements prior to campus arrival will have a hold and be blocked from accessing Wes account and/or possibly class registration.

**Download and print the [Student Immunization Record](#), take to your provider. Once completed, please scan and upload to your Student Health Portal at [wesleyan.medicatconnect.com](https://wesleyan.medicatconnect.com). All documentation must be translated to English and include your name and student ID.**

**The following are MANDATORY for ALL students:**

**1. Measles (Rubeola), Mumps and Rubella (German measles) – please upload proof of one of the following if born after December 31, 1956:**

- a) Two measles, 2 mumps, 2 rubella (or MMR) immunizations (one after age 12 months; the second dose at least 28 days after dose #1), **OR**
- b) Documentation of positive measles, mumps and rubella titers (blood test), **OR**
- c) Documentation of date of measles, mumps or rubella disease by your health care provider.

**2. Chicken Pox (Varicella) – please upload proof of one of the following if born after January 1, 1980:**

- a) Two varicella immunizations (one after age 12 months; the second dose at least 28 days after dose #1), **OR**
- b) Documentation of positive varicella titer (blood test), **OR**
- c) Documentation of date of varicella disease by your health care provider.

### 3. Meningitis (MenACWY) – please upload proof if living in university owned housing

- a) One dose of meningococcal conjugate immunization (one after age 16 years and within the last five years). The only vaccines accepted are MenQuadfi, Menactra, Menveo and Nimerex. **Polysaccharide immunizations will not be accepted (ACWY, Mencevax, Menomune) and will need to be updated.**

### 4. COVID-19

- a) Documentation of 1-2 immunizations depending on type administered.

1-2 doses of any COVID-19 vaccine authorized for emergency use by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) will be accepted: Pfizer-BioNTech, Moderna and Johnsons & Johnson/Janssen. The university expects that federal guidelines will continue to evolve and that the United States will give emergency authorization to more vaccines in the upcoming months.

Many of our international students and domestic students living abroad may be vaccinated in other countries that are using vaccines not yet approved in the United States. International students are encouraged to forward proof of vaccination, even if the vaccination is not authorized by the FDA. It is possible that you may be asked to revaccinate based on CDC guidance available later this summer.

### 5. Tuberculosis Screening

**All new students must complete the “Tuberculosis Screening Questionnaire” on the student health portal.** If you answer “yes” to any questions, Tuberculosis (TB) testing is required. Please download the [Tuberculosis Testing Form](#) from the Student Health Portal and bring it your Health Care Provider. TB testing **must be performed** within 6 months of your matriculation date. **Fall 2021 entrants: your test date must be dated 3/2021 or later. Students with a history of BCG vaccination are not exempt from this requirement.** TB screening and testing of international students can be done at Wesleyan Health Center during orientation if not previously done at home. **Fees will apply.**

Acceptable TB tests include:

1. Interferon-Gamma Release Assay (IGRA). **This is the preferred method.** Two IGRAs commercially available:
  - QuantiFERON®-TB Gold (QFT-GIT)
  - T-SPOT® (T-Spot)
2. Mantoux tuberculin skin test (PPD)

If your TB test is positive, or if you have had a positive TB test in the past, you will need a chest x-ray. We accept chest x-rays completed within the past 6 months. **Fall 2021 entrants: your chest x-ray must be dated 3/2021 or later.** The radiology report **must be attached** in order for the health center to accept the x-ray result.

**The following immunizations are highly recommended although not mandatory:**

Hepatitis A (2 doses), Hepatitis B (3 doses), HPV (3 doses), Meningitis Serogroup B (2-3 doses) and adult tetanus, diphtheria and pertussis (Tdap) - booster within 10 years.

**Wesleyan University is required by CT statute to provide information regarding meningitis and Hepatitis B infections and the benefits of vaccination.**

Meningitis: <http://www.immunize.org/catg.d/p4210.pdf>

Hepatitis B: <http://www.immunize.org/catg.d/p4205.pdf>