

Dear Students:

Thank you for your attention to following Meredith's COVID-19 community standards. You have helped the College reach this point in the semester in as healthy a way as possible as the pandemic continues.

As a reminder, Meredith College is adding the COVID-19 vaccine to the College's list of required vaccinations for all students beginning with the Spring 2022 semester. This requirement was announced on September 16, 2021.

All students enrolled in Spring 2022 courses, including commuters, will be required to be fully vaccinated and to have provided proof of vaccination unless the student has an approved medical or religious exemption.

If you have not yet been vaccinated, Fall Break is a good opportunity to get vaccinated or begin a vaccine series. Please note that the process of becoming fully vaccinated takes up to six weeks, depending on the vaccine you receive.

Students are asked to complete their vaccination series before Meredith's winter break begins on December 17, 2021, to allow the two weeks beyond the last shot in order to be considered fully vaccinated. If you need help finding a vaccine, the [North Carolina Vaccine Locator](#) includes a list of both government and private vaccine location sites throughout the state.

Proof of vaccination must be [uploaded to the portal](#) by January 4, 2022. The proof of vaccination portal will not be monitored between December 17, 2021-January 3, 2022.

The portal to apply for a religious or medical exemption will open after October 15, 2021. All exemption requests must be submitted by November 5, 2021, to be considered.

Additional details about the COVID-19 vaccination requirement are available at www.meredith.edu/staying-strong/vaccine-information.

Meredith College appreciates your attention to this important step in helping end the pandemic and continuing our return to a more typical college experience.

Sincerely,

The Executive Leadership Team