



# TORONTO ACADEMY OF ACTING FOR FILM AND TELEVISION COVID-19 RESPONSE

## Coronavirus (COVID-19): Toronto Academy of Acting for Film & Television September 2021 Return to Campus - What to Expect

Toronto Academy of Acting for Film & Television is committed to the health and safety of our students, staff, and faculty. As such, we have been taking every reasonable precaution to ensure the safety of everyone while delivering our Diploma programs both on campus as well as on line classes.

Our Administration, in collaboration with our Joint Health & Safety committee, have developed and implemented enhanced safety protocols in compliance with the policies and recommendations of the Government of Canada, the Province of Ontario and the City of Toronto. We have included a summary of our new policies below and look forward to welcoming students and faculty to campus for a safe and productive school year.

**September 7, 2021 all students, employees, contractors and visitors coming to the Academy will be required to provide proof that they are fully vaccinated or have received an exemption based on medical reasons. Students who are fully vaccinated or have one vaccination will require to show proof of vaccination first day of training by physically showing the Academy the COVID-19 vaccination receipt or emailing the COVID-19 vaccination receipt to [admin@torontoacademyofacting.com](mailto:admin@torontoacademyofacting.com)**

Fully vaccinated students is classified as having received the full series of a COVID-19 vaccine or combination of COVID-19 vaccines approved by WHO (e.g., two doses of a two-dose vaccine series, or one dose of a single-dose vaccine series); and having received the final dose of the COVID-19 vaccine at least 14 days ago.

**Students who are partially vaccinated will require to provide a COVID-19 rapid test result on first day of training which is September 7, 2021 together with proof of first vaccination on September 7, 2021. Students who are partially vaccinated will also have to provide proof of full vaccination by October 18, 2021. The process will ensure that any personal health information submitted to the Academy will be secure and confidential.**

## **INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS**

For international travelers to be considered fully vaccinated they must—among other requirements—have received the full series of a vaccine or a combination of vaccines accepted by the Government of Canada (Pfizer/BioNTech; Moderna; Oxford/AstraZeneca; Janssen-Johnson & Johnson); and received their last dose at least 14 days prior to entry. **For more information regarding international travelers please go to the Government of Ontario website by clicking here** For more information regarding international travelers please go to the Government of Ontario website by clicking here

**<https://travel.gc.ca/travel-covid/travel-restrictions/covid-vaccinated-travellers-entering-canada>**

## **Overview of Safety Protocols at Toronto Academy of Acting for Film & Television**

A continuation of a self-assessment reporting attestation is provided to all staff, students and visitors prior to entering the studio facilities.

All staff, students and faculty on campus have and will continue daily check-ins with our contactless temperature checks.

All staff, students and faculty will require to wear masks indoors

Hand sanitizer stations throughout the studio to be used by all students, staff and faculty members a number of times a day.

Frequent cleaning and disinfecting of desks, doors handles, faucets daily.

Doors, and Windows to remain open as much as possible for air exchange

Hepa Filter air purifier machine will be in the studio where students train

### **WHAT HAPPENS IF YOU HAVE SYMPTOMS**

If you begin to show symptoms of covid click here as to what are symptoms of COVID-19

<https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/diseases/2019-novel-coronavirus-infection/symptoms.html#s>

To find a COVID-19 assessment centre to get tested. Click here for centers

<https://covid-19.ontario.ca/assessment-centre-locations>

and

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- Stay home and [self-isolate](#)
- Learn how to self isolate by clicking on government website link below

<https://www.publichealthontario.ca/-/media/documents/ncov/factsheet-covid-19-how-to-self-isolate.pdf?la=en>

- Tell people you were in close physical contact within the 48 hours before your symptoms began to monitor their health and to self-isolate



## HOW TO REPORT COVID 19 & VARIANT

Students and employees who are on campus who have symptoms of COVID-19, and

Receive a positive COVID-19 test or received notification of close contact of COVID-19 must email [admin@torontoacademyofacting.com](mailto:admin@torontoacademyofacting.com) immediately with their name, phone number, and student ID.

Additional information required includes:

- Any COVID-19-related symptoms and date when first noticed
- COVID-19 test date and result
- Details on potential exposure to someone who has tested positive for COVID-19 including whether public health authorities notified you about being exposed, requested that you be tested and whether you were contacted directly by an infected individual
- If you were in close contact (less than two meters, for more than fifteen minutes and without wearing a facial covering) with an individual who has tested positive for COVID-19 or is currently awaiting COVID-19 test results
- Date(s) you were on campus, if any, during the week prior to the onset of symptoms, testing positive, or exposure
- If you wore appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) and maintained safe physical distancing while on campus

These details help Toronto Academy of Acting for Film & Television to determine what actions are necessary in response to the symptoms, test results, or exposure.

Prospective students should contact our admissions team at 416 536 8574. Current students should direct their questions to [admin@torontoacademyofacting.com](mailto:admin@torontoacademyofacting.com)

## **Planning for missed training**

### **Students**

Students who are required to quarantine and who are taking courses with required on-campus learning activities should work with their professors on how to stay current with their studies and make up any missed elements of the course once it is safe to return to campus.

Faculty will make reasonable efforts to work with students to maximize their educational outcomes.

In cases of extended absence for medical reasons, students should contact their academic adviser to discuss options.

Students completing work integrated learning activities off campus should work with their faculty to make up missed hours after being cleared to return in person.

## **Returning to campus after a COVID test**

If you have symptoms of COVID-19, have been tested, and the result is negative and you are fully vaccinated you can come back to the campus after your symptoms improved for at least 48 hours if the symptoms are gastrointestinal with your covid negative test :

If you have tested positive for COVID-19, the local public health unit will follow up directly and provide direction. Do not return to campus for 14 days from when COVID-19 symptoms began or for 14 days from the date of the COVID-19 test. Showing positive. Student will have to provide a negative covid test result before coming back to classes. Anyone with COVID-19 symptoms, respiratory illness symptoms, or is unwell do not come to classes. You will have to provide a negative covid test to be allowed back into the Academy.

## **Privacy and personal information**

Any information the Toronto Academy of Acting for Film & Television receives or collects regarding COVID-19 symptoms and/or diagnosis will be subject to applicable legislation and Toronto Academy of Acting for Film & Television's Privacy Policy. Toronto Academy of Acting for Film & Television will not disclose any personal information in COVID-19 notifications. Personal information may be released to local or provincial public health authorities at their request.

## **RESOURCES**

Please continue to monitor the official sites for up to date information on the COVID-19 pandemic. If you have questions about COVID-19, please visit:

<https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/diseases/coronavirus-disease-covid-19.html#faq>

<https://covid-19.ontario.ca/> or call: 1-888COVID.19 (1-888-268-4319)