

Student Services

COVID-19 Vaccine Exemption - Religious Accommodation Form

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This form incorporates the requirements for Proclamation 20-12.5: Higher Education, which removed the philosophical exemption option for students. Consistent with the proclamation, Olympic College is a fully vaccinated campus and is implementing a policy requiring all of its students who participate in or attend courses, operations, or other activities in person to be fully vaccinated against COVID-19, subject to any medical exemptions required by law and any religious exemptions.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR STUDENT

By September 24, 2021, all students seeking an exemption must select the medical or religious exemption option in the ctclink attestation form. Students seeking a religious exemption may also contact vpss@olympic.edu directly. Students who do not effectively start this process by that date will be removed from in-person classes and not allowed on campus.

By November 5, 2021, in order to grant a reasonable accommodation to a student to remain unvaccinated, Olympic College must receive information or documentation that confirms that the student has a sincerely held religious belief that prevents them from receiving the COVID-19 vaccine. The religious exemption must be based on a sincerely held religious belief system that is comprehensive in nature, including both theistic beliefs and non-theistic moral or ethical beliefs as to what is right and wrong which are sincerely held with the strength of traditional religious views. Social, political, or economic philosophies, as well as mere personal preferences, are not religious beliefs; however, overlap between a religious and political view does not place it outside the scope of the exemption.

Please upload this form or provide your information in person by contacting vpss@olympic.edu to schedule a 30-minute meeting. Please complete this form as soon as possible as we may need additional, clarifying information. Review and processing may require 1-2 weeks. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact vpss@olympic.edu.

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Student Information

Name:

ID Number:

Religious Exemption Information

Below are initial intake questions for you to respond to in requesting a religious accommodation. As articulated above, you may contact vpss@olympic.edu to provide this information in a meeting or complete this form and submit it as documentation.

1. I assert that I have a sincerely held religious belief that prevents me from receiving the COVID-19 vaccine. YES NO

2. Please describe how your religious belief is sincerely held, comprehensive in nature, and prevents you from receiving the COVID-19 vaccine.

I declare that I have read and understood the information provided in this request, and that it is true to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.

Student Signature

Date

Parent or Guardian's Signature
(if student is under 18 years of age)

Date