Quarantine Requirements and Behavior Expectations

Currently, the Hudson Valley has very few cases of COVID-19 and very low transmission rates, thanks to strict adherence to the state-required protocols in our area. We are relying on each other to uphold community quarantine and social distancing standards and must be able to trust each other to act conscientiously and responsibly. Consequently, we want to make sure that quarantine requirements and expectations are clear to all those who must quarantine.

Quarantine is mandatory at this time for all people traveling to New York from locations identified as “restricted” by the New York State government, and has helped keep Bard students and the local community safe over the past few months. You can review the New York State quarantine requirements, including a list of restricted locations, here. Unless you spent at least 14 days in a non-restricted location before entering New York, you are required to quarantine in New York upon arrival. The State also requires all travelers arriving from restricted locations - whether by plane, train, or car - to complete a Traveler Health Form. Anyone who does not observe all the requirements for quarantine is subject to legal consequences by the State of New York.

Do:
✓ Engage with your coursework via remote platforms from your hotel room or off-campus residence
✓ Engage with online activities and connect virtually with other Bardians
✓ Create art and find ways to engage your creative side
✓ Wear a mask at all times you are outside of your room
✓ Refrain as much as possible from in-person encounters throughout your quarantine
✓ Submit a health self-screening using the Involvio app every day. Information on how to download or access Involvio will be emailed to all students. You are expected to monitor yourself for any COVID symptoms on a daily basis. If you show any symptoms, please contact the Bard Health Service at 845-758-7433 or email them at healthservice@bard.edu during regular business hours. If it is an emergency or after regular business hours, please contact Bard College Security at 845-758-7777 and ask to speak to the administrator on call.

Don’t:
✘ Eat meals with others
✘ Engage in in-person group activities
✘ Use the shuttle or public transportation including ride shares
✘ Go into any area that is densely populated where you can’t safely physically distance
✘ Go into any campus buildings, public buildings, or stores
✘ Use the pool, fitness center, game room, restaurant, breakfast bar, or lounge at the Best Western

Support services for students in quarantine:
Students in quarantine will be accompanied by members of staff who will be living in nearby rooms in the residence hall or hotel for the duration of quarantine. Staff and Peer Counselors in the residence halls and hotel will be available to help students with questions or concerns at all times. A team of faculty from the Bard House Program will be checking in with students daily. Students will be provided with contact information for the staff on-site.
Package Delivery
The college can deliver packages to you if you order things during quarantine. Staff will bring packages to the quarantine spaces Monday-Friday. Delivery of alcohol is strictly prohibited.

Cleaning:
- Robbins Hall Addition:
  During the quarantine period, the cleaning staff will not enter your room area to clean. You can throw out your garbage in the garbage bins in the hallways. If, when you go out to the hallway, you encounter an Environmental Service staff member or other individual, please be respectful and avoid passing them. We recommend that you bring some cleaning supplies with you to clean your room and bathroom.
- Best Western:
  The hotel cleaning staff will not enter your room during the time of your stay. You can request new towels and sheets and they will deliver them to your door. You can put bagged garbage and soiled linen outside your door for pick-up by 11am each morning. We recommend that you bring some cleaning supplies with you to clean your room and bathroom.

Laundry:
Laundry facilities should not be accessed during your quarantine. We will make available a one time pick-up of laundry upon request. Information about this will be provided to students after arrival.

Smoking:
No smoking is allowed inside or within 50 feet of the hotel or residence hall. Students will be fined $150 per incident.

Health:
If you need access to healthcare during your quarantine period, you should contact Bard College Health Services. You can email healthservice@bard.edu or call them at 845-758-7433 during regular business hours. If it is an emergency or after hours please Bard College Security at 845-758-7777.