

# BLS CommunityConnect

Updates, news, and resources  
for Brooklyn Law students,  
faculty, and staff



"As cases continue to increase rapidly across the United States, the safest way to celebrate Thanksgiving is to celebrate at home with the people you live with." — Read the latest holiday guidance from the [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#)

Nov. 23, 2020

## New Travel Guidelines

As you make plans to travel for the holidays, please factor into your plans New York State's revised Travel Advisory which allows out-of-state travelers to New York to "test out" of the mandatory 14-day quarantine requirement. These new guidelines, which became effective November 4, 2020, are as follows:

**For travelers who were in any State (except those contiguous to New York as stated in the travel advisory) for more than 24 hours:**

- The traveler must complete the "[Welcome to New York Traveler Health Form](#)."
- The traveler from another State must obtain a negative COVID test within three days of departing from that State to travel to New York. The traveler must quarantine for three days upon arriving in New York. [See more required guidelines](#).
- On the fourth day of the quarantine, the traveler must obtain another negative COVID test

before exiting the four-day quarantine. If the test is positive, the traveler must complete a 14-day quarantine. If it is negative, the traveler may exit the 4-day quarantine.

- For traveling members of the BLS Community, a negative COVID test result must be presented to the COVID Coordinator at the end of the quarantine. The quarantine must continue until the traveler is able to submit a negative result. Failure to provide negative test results will result in the deactivation of the identification card and denial of access to the Law School's academic buildings.
- Feil residents must inform Fortune Attardo of their travel plans so that the Law School can manage compliance with the State's requirements and more importantly, ensure a safe residential environment.

#### **For travelers who were in another State for less than 24 hours:**

- The traveler must complete the "[Welcome to New York Traveler Health Form](#)" upon entering New York and take a COVID test within 4 days after their arrival in New York.
- The negative test result must be presented to the COVID Coordinator or the identification card will be deactivated.

The revised travel advisory does not affect any of the other conditions under which 14-day quarantine is required: (1) testing positive for COVID; (2) in contact with anyone who has tested positive for COVID; and (3) international travel.

Guests of BLS student residents who are travelling from outside the tri-state area, must follow the NY State Guidelines above. The guest cannot be on the BLS campus until after they have quarantined and submitted a negative COVID test. The quarantine is not allowed to take place in a BLS residence.

These guidelines are subject to change by NY State. If you are traveling outside of NY State it is your responsibility to check the latest requirements. Visit the [NY Health Department COVID-19 Travel Advisory site](#) for more information.

If you have any questions, please contact the COVID Coordinator at [covidcoordinator@brooklaw.edu](mailto:covidcoordinator@brooklaw.edu) or Stephanie Vullo at [stephanie.vullo@brooklaw.edu](mailto:stephanie.vullo@brooklaw.edu).

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## **Where to Get Tested**

Testing in NYC is open to everyone and free at over 200 locations. You can check the [nyc.gov/covidtest](https://nyc.gov/covidtest) website or text "COVID TEST" to 855-48 to find a testing site nearest to you.

Students should provide their NYC address at the time of testing – that will enable NYC to provide services to the

## **COVID Coordinator**

**Louise E. Cohen**  
(347) 821-8904

[covidcoordinator@brooklaw.edu](mailto:covidcoordinator@brooklaw.edu)

*If Louise Cohen, the COVID-19 coordinator, reaches out to you, you must respond. Failure to respond may result in the deactivation of your ID card.*

student if needed and enable tracking and tracing if necessary.

There are currently 46 states and territories that meet the criteria for the Tri-State Travel Advisory. On September 28, Gov. Cuomo also announced an executive order requiring international travelers to mandatory quarantine.

## COVID-19 Alert NY



The new **COVID Alert NY app** from the NYS Department of Health is a voluntary, anonymous, exposure-notification smartphone app. You will get an alert if you were in close contact with someone who tests positive for COVID-19. Knowing about a potential exposure allows you to self-quarantine immediately, get tested and reduce the potential exposure risk to your family, friends, neighbors, co-workers and others.

## COVID-19 Precautions



Please remember to observe the signage, markings, and stanchions throughout the buildings. Students attending in-person classes should follow directions on entering and exiting, and should leave the premises immediately after exiting the classroom.

## COVID-19 Safety Guidelines

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## Reminder

As per Governor Cuomo's directive, restaurants, bars, and gyms will close at 10 p.m.



COVID-19 educational and instructional video for the Brooklyn Law School community.



**New BLS COVID Screening App**

[covidscreening.brooklaw.edu](https://covidscreening.brooklaw.edu)

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## Upcoming Events

### Clinics Speaker Series - Professor Stacy Caplow

Date: 11/23/20

Time: 12:45 - 1:45 p.m. EST

### Clinics Speaker Series - Representing Bootstrapped Startups

Date: 11/30/20

Time: 12:45 - 1:45 p.m. EST

### PILC Fair Questions Answered

Date: 12/2/20

Time: 12:45 - 1:45 p.m. EST

### Inaugural January Jumpstart: Career Development Program

Dates: 1/13/21 to 1/15/21

*Check your email for updates*

See the **Calendar of Events on BLS Connect** for Zoom links

Stay safe and please follow these guidelines:



Practice social distancing



Wear a face covering



Don't crowd elevators



Avoid touching your face



Wash/sanitize hands frequently



Stay home if you feel sick

Questions or to report Covid-19 symptoms,  
email [covidcoordinator@brooklaw.edu](mailto:covidcoordinator@brooklaw.edu)  
[www.brooklaw.edu/covid](http://www.brooklaw.edu/covid)

The Brooklyn Law School **Reopening Plan**: Operating during the COVID-19 Public Health Crisis



Join Dean Cahill and faculty members for lively discussions of legal issues related to the pandemic and other urgent challenges of our time.



New in the online store: **Brooklyn tote bags**

**COVID-19 Links**

- [Brooklyn Law School Reopening Plan](#)
  - [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#)
  - [NYS Department of Health](#)
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## **What's New in the Neighborhood**

- [Outdoor Events in Downtown Brooklyn](#)
  - [Where to dine outside in Downtown Brooklyn](#)
  - [Take a yoga class or kayak in Brooklyn Bridge Park](#)
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