



### **Guidelines of the Faculty Board in connection with testing students for COVID-19**

1. Due to the global epidemiological situation and the need to protect students, employees of UPJS MF and, last but not least, patients, every student of GM or DM will be compulsorily tested for COVID-19 using the Real time PCR - RT PCR test after arriving in Slovakia.
2. In this context, all students are required to complete an online form before the start of the 2020/2021 academic year. A link to this form will be sent to each student by email. After filling in the form, each student will be personally notified by email about the place, date, and time of testing.
3. Students will be sorted for testing according to the year of study and the date of arrival in Slovakia. Each student must be in Slovakia at least 5 days before testing. Testing will take place according to the planned schedule (see the table below) and the student is obliged to participate in the examination within the given date.
4. Testing will be provided by UPJS MF to its students free of charge.
5. UPJS MF will also be helpful in case of the need to ensure a quarantine stay in Košice. This help can be offered to students based on the data from the online form.
6. **Only those students who prove their negative results of the COVID-19 examination issued on the basis of this testing will be admitted to teaching in the new academic year 2020/2021.**
7. If a student is unable to present a negative result from the examination mentioned above, he or she will not be allowed to participate in teaching and this non-participation will be considered as an unexcused absence.
8. We strongly recommend that students limit traveling abroad to a minimum and only when necessary during AY 2020-2021. In such cases, students are required to follow current regulations of the Government of the Slovak Republic and the Rector of UPJS. UPJS MF reserves the right to request re-testing of the student for COVID-19 after his or her return from abroad before continuing in the full-time form of study.

### **Additional information**

According to valid regulations of the Slovak Republic, persons who have visited a country not listed as a “low-risk country” within the period of last 14 days are obliged to contact the competent Regional Public Health Authority (by phone or electronically) and to undergo the laboratory diagnosis of COVID-19 (real time PCR - RT PCR) not earlier than on the fifth day of self-isolation. In order to contact the regional Public Health Authority the person may also fill in the form providing the contact information (<https://korona.gov.sk/en/ehranica/>).

The list of “low-risk countries and territories ” from the epidemiological point of view in relation to COVID-19 you can find here: <https://www.mzv.sk/web/en/covid-19>



Testing schedule plan

Year of study GM and DM	Start of full- time teaching	Latest date of arrival in Slovakia	Estimated day for testing
<b>1. year</b> - registration 11.9.2020 - registration 14.9.2020	21.9.2020 21.9.2020	3.9.2020 6.9.2020	8.9.2020 11.9.2020
<b>2.-5. year of GM</b> <b>2.-4. year of DM</b> <b>ERASMUS+</b>	21.9.2020	9.-13.9.2020	14.-18.9.2020
<b>5. year of DM</b>	14.9.2020	6.9.2020	11.9.2020
<b>6. year</b>	7.9.2020	30.8.2020	3.9.2020