



CLASSROOM SPACING/FACILITIES PLAN

FRANCIS MARION UNIVERSITY RE-OPEN PLAN FALL 2020

Francis Marion University is committed to maintaining a high level of cleanliness and sanitation on campus at all levels. It will introduce new measures and procedures to enhance sanitization during the Fall 2020 semester, based on recommendations from appropriate state and federal agencies.

Seating in classrooms, lecture halls, and auditoriums will conform to CDC and SCDHEC recommendations.

Existing classrooms will be re-arranged with lowered seating capacities. Additionally, larger, alternative learning spaces are being utilized. These non-traditional locations include the gymnasium in the Smith University Center, Hyman Theatre, Kassab Recital Hall, The Black Box Theatre in the Performing Arts Center, and the Palmetto Room in Ervin Dining Hall. These spaces will be fully equipped for instruction. Faculty are encouraged to use diverse instructional techniques and accessible online support to reduce the density of students on campus (See Academic Plan for more).

Instructional spaces will be equipped with hand sanitizing stations and supplies for self-sanitization of seating and desks. Instructional support spaces such as Rogers Library and Stanton Computer Center will be available to students with limited capacities to encourage social distancing.

In late summer and early fall the Honors Center and the Hugh and Jean Leatherman Medical Education Complex will be open, providing additional instructional spaces.