



## Geneva College Community Covenant

### *A pledge to honor and care for our community.*

The Lord has given Geneva College the gift of a rich community of faculty, staff, students, alumni, and friends. Together, we make up the fabric of the College and set Geneva apart as a ministry of education, committed to learning in community because the Lord created us in His image to flourish as interdependent beings. God reveals Himself as one God in three persons, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—the society of the Trinity. As people, made in God’s image, we reflect His glory in relationship with God and one another by His design.

As a College community, we find ourselves in a unique moment in history as we navigate the global coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. The College leadership, faculty, and staff are committed to cultivate together a living and learning community consistent with the College’s mission to equip students for faithful and fruitful service to God and neighbor. But considering the current moment, we know that to do so will require a unified, vigilant effort by everyone in the community together.

Under COVID-19 conditions, the Lord Jesus Christ and His Word calls us to serve the most vulnerable members of our community with grace, to conduct ourselves always with Godly wisdom, and to honor the requests of governing authorities to the greatest degree possible. We are called as a College to love the Lord our God with all our heart, mind, soul, and strength, and to love our neighbor as ourselves. In practice, that means that we are dedicated to considering others as more significant than ourselves, to seeking the good of others rather than our own good, and to outdoing one another in honoring our neighbors above ourselves, that above all else our Lord Jesus Christ might be honored in our community.

Therefore, we invite every member of our community to abide by the following commitments together upon returning to campus.

#### **To protect others and myself:**

- **Personal Health:** As an image-bearer of God, I will take great care to steward my physical, emotional, mental, and spiritual well-being. I will prioritize personal wellness to ensure my body has the best opportunity to resist the Coronavirus that I might be well and have the best opportunity to prevent the spread of the virus to the Geneva community.
- **Daily Screening:** I will faithfully abide by the College requirements to participate in a daily health screening and to answer the screening questions honestly. <https://my.geneva.edu/ICS/COVID-19/> Once you are logged in to MyGeneva, click the COVID-19 tab and select the appropriate form.

I will daily monitor for the symptoms of COVID-19 and contact the appropriate personnel if I experience fever of 100.4 F (38 C) or higher, dry cough, difficulty breathing, chills, repeated shaking with chills, muscle pain, headache, sore throat or loss of taste or smell.

If I answer “yes” to any question on the screening, I will promptly follow the faculty/staff or student emergency protocols as detailed in the screening.

- **Quarantine and Isolation:** I will willingly stay home or in my residence hall if I feel ill, am symptomatic, or after potential exposure to someone who is ill or has tested positive for COVID-19.

I will quarantine or isolate with integrity as directed by campus health care professionals. I understand that in an effort to prevent the spread of the virus on campus, I may be asked to assist Campus Health Services in determining which of my peers, staff, or faculty may have been exposed as a result of my campus engagement.

- **Hand Washing:** I will wash my hands and use hand sanitizer regularly as a basic preventive measure.
- **Physical Distance:** I will honor the need to physically distance and will do my best to maintain at least a six (6) foot distance (two arms-lengths) from others indoors and outdoors. I will take particular care to maintain appropriate physical distance in the presence of older or vulnerable members of our community.

I understand that physical distance guidelines do not apply to people in my immediate household—my family if I commute to campus; my roommate(s) if I am a campus resident.

- **Face Coverings:** I will wear a mask or other approved face covering as required when indoors and outdoors, and when less than six (6) feet from others.
- **Off-Campus Travel:** I will consider the health and safety of the entire Geneva College community when evaluating whether travel off-campus or out-of-town is necessary. I will make a good faith effort to limit all unnecessary travel.
- **Off-Campus Precautions:** I will take appropriate precautions when I am off campus for any purpose including church, shopping, etc., to mitigate any potential exposure, even if my destination does not require such precautions.
- **Instructions and Signage:** I will carefully observe all College health and safety signs and follow directions accordingly.
- **Cleanliness of Space:** I will take care to regularly clean and disinfect common surfaces (e.g., door handles, tables, desktops, etc.) in my residence hall room/apartment or my office/workspace.
- **Good Faith:** I will choose to engage the above requirements with humility and will faithfully honor the related requests of faculty and staff in good faith. I will make the welfare of others my priority.
- **Neighbor-Oriented:** I will willingly look out for others and encourage their faithful commitment to this Community Covenant.

### TOGETHER, WE WILL STRIVE TO PROTECT THE GENEVA COLLEGE COMMUNITY.

If you are sick, experiencing any symptoms of COVID-19, or if you have been exposed to someone who has tested positive for COVID-19, please contact the appropriate College personnel.

**Pro Christo et Patria  
Storm On!**