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## Chancellor Vaccination Survey

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## Executive Summary

Applied Research Consultants (ARC) was contacted by the Office of the Chancellor to conduct a COVID vaccination survey for all SIUC students and faculty. The overall goal of the project was to administer and analyze the results of a predeveloped survey assessing current faculty and student vaccination status before the start of the Fall 2021 semester.

Qualtrics survey development software was utilized to collect data. SIU faculty and staff received an initial survey invitation (Appendix A) on July 13<sup>th</sup>, 2021. SIU students received an initial survey invitation (Appendix A) on July 14<sup>th</sup>, 2021. Faculty and staff received a reminder email (Appendix B) on July 19<sup>th</sup>, 2021. Students received a reminder email (Appendix B) on July 20<sup>th</sup>, 2021. The survey closed on July 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2021. All participants received a two-question survey (Appendix C) asking about their vaccination status and whether they are a student or faculty member. Of the 3,109 SIU faculty and staff that were contacted, 884 responded completely to the survey, for a completion rate of 28.4%. Of the 10,888 students that were contacted, 1,656 responded completely to the survey, for a completion rate of 15.2%. One person did not indicate if they were faculty or staff. A total of 2,541 participants completed the survey giving a total response rate of 18.2%. Frequencies were run on data collected.

The first survey item regarding vaccination status revealed that the majority of respondents are fully vaccinated with the two-shot Pfizer, two-shot Moderna, or one-shot Johnson & Johnson (Table 1). The second survey item showed that about two-thirds of the respondents were students and about one-third were employees (Table 2).

Table 3 shows how the 1,656 students responded regarding their vaccination status. Table 4 shows how the 884 employees responded regarding their vaccination status. These results show that a higher percentage of employee participants are fully vaccinated than student participants. A higher percentage of students stated that they would not become vaccinated than employees. However, the overall percentage of participants stating that they will not be vaccinated is low.

All comments of participants that chose the “other” response option are shown in Table 5. Some responses indicate a few participants are not being vaccinated due to safety concerns, have already had COVID stating they believe they are immune, or will not be vaccinated due to personal choice.

## Results

Table 1: Overall Vaccination Status

Response	Frequency	Percent
I am fully vaccinated with the two-shot Pfizer, two-shot Moderna or one-shot Johnson & Johnson.	2035	80.1
I have received my first shot of the Pfizer or Moderna vaccine and will get my second shot before classes start on Aug. 16.	75	3.0
I will receive my vaccine when I return to campus in August.	24	0.9
I will become vaccinated when a vaccine receives full FDA approval.	62	2.4
I am not yet vaccinated but am waiting to see how it affects other people.	144	5.7
I will not become vaccinated for religious or medical reasons.	141	5.5
Other (Please Specify):	60	2.4
<b>Total</b>	<b>2541</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Table 2: Percent of Student and Employee Participants

Response	Frequency	Percent
Student	1656	65.2
Employee	884	34.8
<b>Total</b>	<b>2540</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Table 3: Student Vaccination Status

<b>Response</b>	<b>Frequency</b>	<b>Percent</b>
I am fully vaccinated with the two-shot Pfizer, two-shot Moderna or one-shot Johnson & Johnson.	1245	75.2
I have received my first shot of the Pfizer or Moderna vaccine and will get my second shot before classes start on Aug. 16.	73	4.4
I will receive my vaccine when I return to campus in August.	23	1.4
I will become vaccinated when a vaccine receives full FDA approval.	52	3.1
I am not yet vaccinated but am waiting to see how it affects other people.	110	6.6
I will not become vaccinated for religious or medical reasons.	112	6.8
Other (Please Specify):	41	2.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>1656</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Table 4: Employee Vaccination Status

<b>Response</b>	<b>Frequency</b>	<b>Percent</b>
I am fully vaccinated with the two-shot Pfizer, two-shot Moderna or one-shot Johnson & Johnson.	790	89.4
I have received my first shot of the Pfizer or Moderna vaccine and will get my second shot before classes start on Aug. 16.	2	0.2
I will receive my vaccine when I return to campus in August.	1	0.1
I will become vaccinated when a vaccine receives full FDA approval.	10	1.1
I am not yet vaccinated but am waiting to see how it affects other people.	33	3.7
I will not become vaccinated for religious or medical reasons.	29	3.3
Other (Please Specify):	19	2.1
<b>Total</b>	<b>884</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Table 5: Direct Comments on Other (Please Specify) Response Option

<b>Comment</b>	<b>Made by Student or Employee</b>
not planning on being vaccinated.	Student
Don't feel the vaccines are safe right now. Too much unknown about them.	Employee
Fully vaccinated with two shots from Novavax in a research study	Student
Had Covid.	Employee
Have had Covid.	Employee
I am a healthy individual with a strong immune system. I do not agree with putting something in my healthy body that could alter my RNA especially when it has not been fully tested on mice, let alone humans.	Student
I am fully vaccinated but this survey proves nothing other than the continued incompetence of this administration	Student
I am fully vaccinated with the two-shot Kexing in China	Student
I am not getting vaccinated due to my personal decision not to. I am not comfortable with this being mandated. The vaccine is not even FDA approved. I don't disclose whether or not I receive a flu, shingles, pneumonia vaccine, etc., so it is no ones business but my own if I chose to receive the COVID vaccine. It's a direct violation of my HIPPA rights.	Employee
I am not in the US and the vaccination in my country is delayed. However I will vaccinate as soon as possible when I arrive in Carbondale	Student
I am not taking your nanodust death vaccine!	Employee
I am not yet vaccinated	Employee
I am not yet vaccinated because I want to wait for more improvements on the vaccination.	Student
I am not yet vaccinated, nor will I be, on the principle of personal liberty and fear of long-term effects.	Student
I am not yet vaccinated. I had the virus within last 6 months	Employee
I am young enough that my statistical probability of dying to Covid is less than dying to complications involving taking an mRNA vaccine	Student
I do not intend to offer any information to SIUC about my vaccination status.	Employee

I don't want it	Student
I got the virus and I think i have immunity against it.	Student
I had and recovered from the virus and therefore do not need a vaccine at this time.	Employee
I have been vaccinates with the sinopharm one.	Student
I have no intention of getting the vaccine until forced to.	Employee
I have recovered from the actual virus and therefore do not require a vaccination.	Employee
I just don't want to be	Student
I just don't want it	Student
I plan on getting vaccinated once I am living on campus.	Student
I receieved the first shot but never got the second shot of the Pfizer.	Student
I received one vaccine but am not able to get the 2nd one due to medical problems	Employee
I trust my immune system more than people.	Employee
I will be getting the vaccine after 3 months after getting Covid (october)	Student
I will not because I am not a elderly wimp	Student
I will not become Covid Vaccinated due because I have already had the virus which hardly affected me. I also have a higher chance to die from the vaccine than I do from the virus.	Student
I will not become vaccinated	Student
I will not become vaccinated because I do not want it.	Student
I will not become vaccinated because I see no benefit, as you can still contract the virus even when vaccinated and being a healthy young adult it poses no threat to me.	Student
I will not become vaccinated because I simply do not want to.	Student
I will not become vaccinated due to personal reasons.	Student
I will not become vaccinated due to personal reasons.	Employee
I will not become vaccinated due to the fact I do not see a threat or reason to become vaccinated	Student
I will not become vaccinated for personal reasons.	Student
I will not become vaccinated for religious and medical reasons. Along with the fact the covid 19 vaccine is an EUA vaccine that has not been approved by the FDA and has serious side effects.	Student

I will not become vaccinated until I see what happens with the current test population.	Student
I will not get an experimental vaccine.	Student
I will not get the vaccine as it is killing more people than saving them.	Student
I will not vaccinate.	Student
na	Employee
no poke no trust	Student
none of your business	Employee
Not vaccinated and don't plan on becoming vaccinated. If schools require, I will go elsewhere.	Student
Not vaccinated. waiting to see long-term affects on other people and for more research to become available.	Student
not vaccinating at this time	Student
Not yet approved by FDA	Employee
Please shut the fuck up about covid and let us worry about ourselves	Student
Private information and should collect a ROI	Student
This is none of anyone's business. No one asks or makes a big deal out of who is vaccinated for the flu and the flu kills more people! This is all propaganda that you people don't see or are just following along like little sheep. No employee should be enforcing vaccinations. Do your research and see how many people the vaccinations have killed and don't forget the miscarriages the vaccination has caused also!!	Employee
This is none of your business it is call the HIPPA law	Student
When I discover what the long term affects of the vaccine, as well as when it becomes FDA approved. I feel I am not ready for it yet, due to concerns over its safety.	Student
Will not because I choose not to	Student

## Appendix A

### Initial Survey Invitation Email

Subject Line: Take the survey and help us plan for a safe fall

Dear fellow Salukis,

SIU Carbondale is on track to have a safe fall semester with in-person classes, thanks to the diligence of our campus community. Vaccinations have played a key role in getting us to this point. They have been proven safe and effective, and that is why we will continue to strongly encourage our faculty, staff and students to become vaccinated before fall classes start on Aug. 16.

As we prepare to welcome back students and more faculty and staff, we would like to know how many Salukis are vaccinated or plan to become vaccinated. I invite you to take a survey and help us with our fall plans. The results are completely anonymous, and the answers will be used only in the aggregate. The survey will be open until July 20.

If you have questions about the survey or how we're preparing for fall, send them to [pandemicinfo@siu.edu](mailto:pandemicinfo@siu.edu). If you're interested in getting vaccinated, visit [vaccines.gov](https://vaccines.gov) to find a site near you.

We are excited and optimistic about the fall, but we are not taking anything for granted. Thank you for assisting our university and your fellow Salukis.

Sincerely,  
Austin Lane  
Chancellor, SIU Carbondale



## Appendix B

### Survey Reminder Email

Subject Line: REMINDER: Take the survey and help us plan for a safe fall

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If you have questions about the survey or how we're preparing for fall, send them to [pandemicinfo@siu.edu](mailto:pandemicinfo@siu.edu). If you're interested in getting vaccinated, visit [vaccines.gov](https://vaccines.gov) to find a site near you.

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Chancellor, SIU Carbondale

# Appendix C

## Chancellor Vaccination Survey



Help us plan for a safe fall semester with in person classes by answering the questions below. Your answers are completely anonymous and will be used only in the aggregate.

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Which of the following best describes you?

- I am fully vaccinated with the two-shot Pfizer, two-shot Moderna or one-shot Johnson & Johnson.
- I have received my first shot of the Pfizer or Moderna vaccine and will get my second shot before classes start on Aug. 16.
- I will receive my vaccine when I return to campus in August.
- I will become vaccinated when a vaccine receives full FDA approval.
- I am not yet vaccinated but am waiting to see how it affects other people.
- I will not become vaccinated for religious or medical reasons.
- Other (Please Specify):

I am an SIU...

- Student
- Employee



We thank you for your time spent taking this survey.  
Your response has been recorded.