

## 1 PURPOSE

To ensure all staff are aware on Axial's COVID-19 Vaccination requirements.

## 2 POLICY

Axial's COVID-19 Vaccination requirements will follow the advice of the Australian Therapeutic Goods Administration, the Australian Federal Government, and the Queensland Government.

As at the date of release, the current requirements are:

### Australian Therapeutic Goods Administration

#### **Approved and recognised COVID-19 vaccinations**

COVID-19 vaccines are approved for use in Australia by the Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA) after a rigorous assessment and approval processes. This includes assessment of its safety, quality and effectiveness. The TGA has also recognised vaccines for the purposes of travel to Australia.

Currently, TGA approved or recognised COVID-19 vaccinations are:

- Comirnaty (Pfizer)
- Vaxzevria (AstraZeneca)
- Covishield (AstraZeneca)
- Spikevax (Moderna)
- Takeda (Moderna)
- Janssen-Cilag (Johnson & Johnson)
- Coronavac (Sinovac)
- BBIBP-CorV (Sinopharm) (for 18-60 years old)
- Covaxin (Bharat Biotech)

To qualify as fully vaccinated in Australia, you need to have had **either**

- 2 full doses at least 14 days apart of
  - AstraZeneca Vaxzevria
  - AstraZeneca Covishield
  - Pfizer/Biontech Comirnaty
  - Moderna Spikevax or Takeda
  - Sinovac Coronavac
  - Bharat Biotech Covaxin
  - Gamaleya Research Institute Sputnik V
  - Novavax/Biocelect Nuvaxovid **or**
- one dose of Janssen-Cilag (Johnson & Johnson)

At least 7 days must have passed since you completed your full course of vaccination. Mixed doses count towards being fully vaccinated as long as all vaccines are approved or recognised by the TGA.

<https://www.homeaffairs.gov.au/covid19/vaccination-testing> Accessed 19 April 2022

### **Australian Federal Government**

You must show evidence that you have been vaccinated, at least 7 days prior to international travel into or out of Australia, with a vaccine approved or recognised by the Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA).

You must provide evidence of a negative COVID-19 PCR test taken within 3 days of your flight's scheduled departure to your airline when you check-in for a flight to travel into Australia.

<https://www.health.gov.au/news/health-alerts/novel-coronavirus-2019-ncov-health-alert/coronavirus-covid-19-travel-and-restrictions/international-travel-and-covid-19>

Accessed 01/12/2021

### **COVID-19 Testing and Isolation**

If you develop symptoms, receive a positive COVID-19 test result, or are the close contact of a person who has received a positive COVID-19 test result, the following will apply:

- Contact your Student Support Officer ([sso@axial.edu.au](mailto:sso@axial.edu.au)) immediately to advise if the test result is your own or if you are a close contact
- Ensure you email proof of the positive result (either PCR or RAT) and confirm the date it was received
- Isolate as per the Queensland COVID-19 Isolation Guidelines (<https://www.qld.gov.au/health/conditions/health-alerts/coronavirus-covid-19/stay-informed>)
- Before returning to class:
  - You will need to provide proof (via email to [sso@axial.edu.au](mailto:sso@axial.edu.au)) of a negative result (either PCR or RAT) and confirm date it was received
  - You will need to email [sso@axial.edu.au](mailto:sso@axial.edu.au) to confirm you have had no symptoms for 48 hours prior to returning to class