Oberlin College and Conservatory is closely monitoring the developments regarding COVID-19 and has followed local, state, and national health organization guidance in this plan for hosting visitors on our campus. Please review the guidelines below to prepare for your upcoming visit experience.

Registration: So that we can offer the safest and most positive visit experience, registration for an in-person info session and tour is required. The Conservatory is currently closed for non-registered visitors. Those who arrive to campus without a scheduled visit should contact our office for other possibilities. Visit Registration

Campus Tours: The College of Arts and Sciences Admissions Office is offering limited general campus tours. Please review their schedule and visit guidelines for more information.

Conservatory Info Session and Tours: The combined information session and tour will be inside the conservatory complex. The tour covers all major areas of the conservatory, including recital halls and practice spaces. In consideration of current public health guidelines, each session and tour will be limited to two (2) families.

Arrival Procedures: Visitors should be at the front entrance of Bibbins Hall, the main conservatory building located on 77 W. College St., 5 minutes before the scheduled session time to be greeted and granted entrance to the building. When you arrive, you can park in front of Bibbins Hall in any of the 2-hour street parking spots or in the nearby lot located behind the Hotel at Oberlin (campus map).

Virtual Information Sessions & Con Chats: If you need to cancel your visit or there are no available dates that fit your schedule, we encourage you to explore our larger campus through the College’s campus tours and register for live virtual Conservatory information sessions, where you have the opportunity to ask questions of our admissions staff. You may also want to register for a Con (Conservatory) Chat, a live online student-to-student conversation over a Zoom call. These are led by our current students who are excited to share their perspectives with you!

Virtual Visit Options

Face Coverings: Face coverings are required of our employees and our guests, even when outdoors. This is the best way for us to ensure the health and safety of all involved in the visit experience. If you are unable to wear a covering due to a particular health reason, please contact us in advance to let us know. Oberlin will have a supply of disposable face coverings available for guests who don’t have or forget to bring one.

Social Distancing: Tour guides, staff, and guests will be required to use proper social distancing (remaining 6 feet apart) throughout the visit.

Refreshments: At this time, we are not able to offer refreshments to visitors. We encourage you to bring a bottle of water with you.

On-Campus Dining: We are unable to provide on- campus dining options at this time. However, there are a number of restaurants in downtown Oberlin that offer both in- person dining as well as take-out. Feel free to ask us for recommendations!

Health Self-Check: All guests are asked to do a health self- check the day of their visit. Tour guides and staff also have this requirement for each day they work. Anyone who is not feeling well, who is experiencing COVID-19 symptoms and/or who realizes they may have been exposed to the virus in the past 14 days should refrain from visiting/coming to work. If you need to cancel your visit, please know that you will not be penalized in the application process. The health and safety of our visitors and employees is our top priority.

Handshakes: Per social distancing guidelines, we discourage personal contact and will be unable (as hard as this will be!) to offer a handshake.

Updated information can be found at: go.oberlin.edu/visit-guidelines