



Institute for Organization Management

U.S. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FOUNDATION

2022 WINTER INSTITUTE FAQs (UPDATED OCTOBER 25, 2021)

Institute will follow the latest guidelines, and will adjust plans as needed. Responses to the questions below are subject to change as the situation continues to develop and we receive more information. Please be sure to check back for the most up-to-date information. If you have any further questions, please contact the Institute office at iom@uschamber.com or 202-463-5570. Thank you for your continued patience and understanding. We look forward to seeing you in January!

COVID-RELATED

What is the mask policy?

The Chamber strongly encourages the wearing of masks for all IOM participants when not actively eating or drinking. While the majority of the U of A community wear masks indoors, there is not a formal mask mandate.

Institute will follow policies and protocols in accordance with the U.S. Chamber of Commerce and local, state, and federal governments. Updated information will be provided as it gets closer to January, if necessary.

Are vaccinations required for attendance?

Yes. The U.S. Chamber of Commerce and its affiliate, the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Foundation, are committed to the safety of our visitors, our team, and our communities. We require Chamber employees and external guests of Chamber events to be fully vaccinated to participate in Chamber events (i.e., at least two weeks since receiving the Johnson & Johnson shot or the second Moderna or Pfizer shot). This includes offsite events, such as Institute for Organization Management.

All participants will be asked to complete documentation during the registration process and upon arrival on-site attesting to their health and vaccination status. We will adjust our plans as needed to follow the latest guidance. As of October 19, 2021 all university employees, including student workers and graduate assistants/associates, must upload vaccine documentation by December 8, 2021, showing they are fully vaccinated.

Will social distancing rules be in effect?

Based on current guidelines, we do not anticipate rooms to be set with social distancing. However, please reach out directly to Institute staff if you would like special accommodations.



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Where can I find more COVID-related resources from U of A?

The university's [COVID-19 response](#) and [latest updates](#) can be found by clicking on the appropriate links.

Where can I find more information on the U.S. Chamber's policy for hosting events in Washington, DC?

Please [click here](#) for protocols for visitors to the U.S. Chamber.

REGISTRATION

When will registration launch, and what is the early enrollment deadline?

Registration will launch in late October or early November, and there will no longer be an early enrollment deadline.

Will the site/individual classes be capped?

Institute will operate in accordance with U.S. Chamber guidelines for events. Based on those current guidelines, we are reviewing capacity numbers with U of A, however, it is our belief that anyone wanting to attend this January will have the opportunity to do so and that the site and individual classes will not need to be capped.

Will anyone receive priority registration?

Since we believe that anyone wanting to attend will have the opportunity to do so, priority registration will not be offered.

Will a virtual program be available for Winter Institute?

No. The virtual program associated with the Centennial Institute was a one-time offering as a response to the pandemic. Institute will resume its in-person only format starting with 2022 Winter.

SCHOLARSHIPS

When will the scholarship application launch and what is the deadline?

The scholarship application has closed, and all applicants have been notified.
