



Policy on Student Immunization

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Policy Statement

Goshen College requires that, in alignment with Indiana State law (IC 21-40-5), all students participating in on-campus courses will submit a record of their immunizations prior to matriculation. Immunization records will be retained during and after a student's enrollment, consistent with the College's policies regarding maintenance, retention, and disposal procedures for all student records. This policy is intended to ensure that the college upholds best practices in accordance with state and federal laws, as well as institutional records policies.

The Policy

In accordance with Indiana Code 21-40-5 and Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP), the following immunization guidelines apply to all students matriculating to Goshen College. All students participating in on-campus courses will submit a record of their immunizations, or applicable medical or religious exemptions, prior to matriculation.

Policy Purpose

This policy is intended to protect the health and safety of Goshen College students, members of the college community, and surrounding communities; reduce risk to the college and community members; and align with Indiana State immunization guidelines.

Should an outbreak occur on or near the College campus regarding these designated illnesses, immunization information may be utilized by the institution in order to act in the best interest of the health and safety of all students, including but not limited to enacting quarantine procedures

Unless specified in the policy, exceptions to the policies in this guide must be approved by the policy owner. It is important to note that the policies in this guide can be changed from time to time. It is the employee's responsibility to ensure understanding of the policies and procedures as well as any revisions.

for those exposed to illness or identifying and establishing protective practices for those who are exempted from immunity, either by medical or religious exemption.

Scope

This policy applies to all students.

Procedures

Students will a) submit a copy of their immunization record or b) complete Goshen College's medical or religious immunization exemption form prior to matriculation to Goshen College.

Should a student not complete this requirement prior to matriculation, a health hold will be applied to their record before the end of their first semester, preventing the student from future registration until any noncompliance with this policy is resolved.

Required immunizations include:

- **Measles/Mumps/Rubella** – two (2) doses since first birthday for individuals born 1957 or later
- **Diphtheria/Tetanus/Pertussis** – minimum of three (3) doses and a booster
 - booster within last ten (10) years
- **Meningococcal Virus (Meningitis)** – one injection prior to beginning college
- **Tuberculosis (PPD/TB test)** – must be completed in the United States if any of the following statements apply to you:
 - Born outside of the U.S.
 - Contact with someone who has TB
 - Anyone in the household with HIV/AIDS
 - Contact with high-risk groups such as homeless persons, IV drug users, etc.

Associated Policies

Collection and Retention of Student Health Information

Revision History

Date	Description of Revision
December 2024	Clarified applicable student population to those in on-campus courses.
November 2024	Revised required immunizations list; clarified applicable student population