

Health Screening and Insurance Information

Welcome New BGSU Student!

Health care and Health insurance is provided differently in the United States than in many countries. It is important to everyone living in the United States to have health insurance. Health insurance is the best way to be certain that medical expenses are covered. Unpaid medical bills damage the relationship between the community and students as well as damage the reputation of students as a whole. International students are required to purchase the university-sponsored Student Health Insurance plan. This policy is crucial to the health, wellness and success of our international students.

All international students are automatically enrolled in the BGSU sponsored student health insurance once they register for class. The cost of the student health insurance is automatically billed to the student's bursar account for the **semester premium**. Students may enroll their dependents (spouse and children) in the BGSU sponsored student health insurance at additional cost. If you have any questions about Health Insurance, please contact studentins@bgsu.edu.

Health Screening:

1. You will be required to meet our Health Professionals at our new facility, [the Falcon Health Center](#), during Orientation for Health Screening and clearance as required by Federal Law. Tuberculosis or MERS Screening: if a student is showing signs or symptoms of active infection, or a member of a high risk group.
2. Please bring any copies of immunization records that you may have with you. The recommended immunizations* are:
 - a. Hepatitis B: a series of three shots given over a 4-6 month period.
 - b. Tetanus, Diphtheria and Pertussis: must be received within the last 10 years
 - c. Measles, Mumps, Rubella: two doses required at least 28 days apart.
 - d. Meningococcal Vaccine: must have received the vaccine between the ages of 16-21.
3. Health Insurance is mandatory for all students. Please check the Student Health Insurance website for more information. <http://www.bgsu.edu/student-insurance-program/international-students.html>

*International students must have received these vaccines and be able to provide proof. The university will not accept completion of the immunization without proper documentation.