Guidelines for Research Partner Access to Campus Laboratories and Research Facilities
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1. Carefully review the Research Lab Reopening Guidance, the Return to Campus Guidance, and information on the We Are WPI website.

2. Ensure that your lab previously submitted and had their Laboratory Reopening and Social Distancing Plan approved, either through the lab reopening process in Phases 1-3 or by the department head in Phase 4, as required by WPI’s Research Lab Reopening Guidance.

3. Submit an update to your Laboratory Reopening and Social Distancing Plan by submitting the “Research Plan Update for Adding External Partners.”

4. A request to update your plan to allow research partner access to WPI labs and research facilities needs to be approved following the process described in the Return to Campus Guidance for research lab reopening.

All research partners approved to come to campus are required to sign a Visitor Acknowledgment Form and follow all of the same health and safety guidelines that currently apply to WPI faculty, staff and students when they are on campus.

In addition, a research partner approved to come to campus must complete EHS health safety training for COVID-19. Since they won’t have access to the WPI training system, the applicable PI or center director will need to provide them a paper or electronic copy of the training and ensure that they have completed the training and signed the Visitor Acknowledgment Form.