



THE UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA
COLLEGE OF SOCIAL & BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES

Center for Regional Food Studies

2019-2020 Annual Theme



In honor of our recent partnership with the Dunbar Pavilion on the Dunbar Wellness Project, we selected the theme of *Just* Nourishment to guide our annual programming.

News

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT:

Join us for a conversation about COVID-19 and its impacts on our UA community

Virtual Zoom meeting, Wednesday, April 1st from 12:00-1:30 pm

Given new instructions limiting travel, events, and in-person classes at the University of Arizona, those of us at the Center for Regional Food Studies are thinking deeply about the impacts of these disruptions on the campus community. These unprecedented circumstances certainly pose a greater risk and impact on certain sectors of our community (e.g. food and housing insecure students, janitorial, hourly, and contract-based staff, etc.) and we are eager to facilitate conversations to make visible and address those vulnerabilities.

We propose holding an emergency *virtual* roundtable meeting on **Wednesday, April 1st from 12:00-1:30 pm** to evaluate who is most negatively impacted at these times and brainstorm ideas for addressing concerns. We are also considering circulating a survey to gather more information about the challenges different groups face at this time.

Please RSVP for the zoom meeting and ongoing discussions about these issues **by adding your name and email in the attached document**. You can also join us in these efforts by circulating this message widely and adding your initial thoughts and ideas in the shared google document (link below). We are brainstorming WHO should be involved in this conversation; HOW to evaluate impacts; and WHAT we might be able to do about it through pooling unused funds and resources, or other organizing efforts. Please post your thoughts/ideas directly to this shared Google doc: https://docs.google.com/document/d/164e6aOkmMrZcaKvX2JXUk5K3gD_EFRIYzWlcATgSGM/edit?usp=sharing or email them to Laurel Bellante, Assistant Director of CRFS, at: bellante@email.arizona.edu

In solidarity,
The CRFS team

UA Campus Pantry




UA CAMPUS PANTRY

TUES 2-4 PM
WED 11-1 PM
FRI 11-1 PM

We will be open next week! Please remember to wash your hands and please refrain from coming to distribution if you feel sick.

We will be moving to the Sonora Room (Downstairs in SUMC, across from the game room).

Please remember to bring your bag and catcard



Center for Regional Food Studies Spring Speaker Series - Postponed

In light of the current COVID-19 pandemic and efforts to "flatten the curve" of the virus spread, the UA Center for Regional Food Studies has postponed all of our speaker events and workshops for the rest of the semester. We sincerely hope this is merely a "postponement" and that both Sará King and Ashanté Reese will visit us come Fall 2020. Thank you for your understanding.

Coronavirus and the Public Charge Rule

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TOP 5 THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW ABOUT CORONAVIRUS AND THE PUBLIC CHARGE RULE



Due to the quick spread of the Covid-19, AKA Coronavirus, the pressure from our communities and members of Congress like Rep. Pramila Jayapal, **USCIS has made exceptions to the rule as to not discourage anyone, including immigrants, to get tested and treated for the virus.** Here's what you need to know:

- 1. If you have symptoms of a cold, like fever and dry cough, you should seek medical assistance to get tested for the Coronavirus.**
- 2. What is the public charge rule?** The new Public Charge Rule went into effect on February 24, 2020. It made certain government assistance programs and other factors eligible criteria for denying immigrants visa extensions or a green card. To find out more, check out our [Top 5 Things You Need To Know About The Public Charge Rule](#).
- 3. The new exception includes federally funded programs.** Testing, treatment, and preventative care (including vaccines, if available) for the Coronavirus, even if funded by public benefits included in the rule (e.g. federally funded Medicaid), **will not be considered as factors.**
- 4. Other factors will also be included in this exception.** If your place of employment closes down due to the virus, you lose your job, or you have to stop going to school, you may submit a statement along with your application to adjust status or extend visa explaining how the virus has affected your eligibility.
- 5. Wash your hands** and try to touch your face as little as possible! And be on the lookout for our other UndocuHealth tips that will help you take care of yourself and your loved ones in this moment!



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LAS 5 COSAS MÁS IMPORTANTES QUE DEBES SABER SOBRE EL CORONAVIRUS Y LA REGLA DE CARGA PÚBLICA



Debido a la rápida propagación del Covid-19, AKA Coronavirus, la presión de nuestras comunidades y miembros del Congreso como la Representante Pramila Jayapal, **el USCIS ha hecho excepciones a la nueva regla de Carga Pública para no desanimar a nadie, incluidos los inmigrantes, a hacerse la prueba del Covid-19 y recibir tratamiento.** Esto es lo que necesitas saber:

- 1. Si tienes síntomas de un resfriado, como fiebre y tos seca, debes buscar asistencia médica para hacerte la prueba del coronavirus.**
- 2. ¿Cuál es la regla de carga pública?** La nueva regla de carga pública entró en vigencia el 24 de febrero de 2020. Estableció ciertos programas de asistencia del gobierno y otros criterios como elegibles para negar extensiones de visa o obtener la tarjeta de residencia. Para obtener más información, consulte nuestras [5 Cosas que debes de Saber Sobre la Regla de la Carga Pública](#).
- 3. La nueva excepción incluye programas financiados por el gobierno federal.** Las pruebas, el tratamiento y la atención preventiva (incluidas las vacunas, si están disponibles) para el Coronavirus, incluso si están financiadas por los beneficios públicos incluidos en la norma (por ejemplo, Medicaid con fondos federales), **no se considerarán como factores que podrían ser usados contra tu aplicación de tarjeta de residencia o de extender tu visa.**
- 4. Otros factores también se incluirán en esta excepción.** Si tu lugar de trabajo cierra debido al virus, pierdes tu trabajo o tienes que dejar de ir a la escuela, puedes enviar una declaración junto con tu solicitud, para ajustar el estado o extender la visa explicando cómo el virus ha afectado tu elegibilidad.
- 5. ¡Lávate las manos y trata de tocarte la cara lo menos posible!**
¡Y está atento a nuestros otros consejos de UndocuHealth que te ayudarán a cuidarte y cuidar a tus seres queridos en este momento!



Local resources for newly jobless restaurant workers and others facing layoffs

As restaurants and businesses across the city of Tucson [closed their dining rooms](#) or closed up shop last night, countless numbers of people were left jobless or with reduced hours. We don't quite know the impact of that decision, but we do know that lots of people in our community need help.

Click [here](#) for more information.

Please visit the [Food Studies Website](#) for more information about the Bachelor of Arts in Food Studies.

Please visit the [Nutrition and Food Systems Website](#) for more information about the Bachelor of Science in Nutrition and Food Systems.

