I am a researcher professor in the Physics Department. I advise two graduate research students and collaborate with them on various research projects, and some of my research takes place in their office and the physics seminar room.

SPACE AND EQUIPMENT SAFETY

1. DISTANCING: I plan to continue to work from home when possible. If I do need a face-to-face meeting, it will take place in the physics seminar room which allows enough room for the institute 6’ distancing between people in the space.

2. EQUIPMENT: I will use only my personal electronic devices and am not visiting the USU library in person for the time being. If I do need materials from the library, I will use the Library’s ILLIAD system to page them ahead of time and limit my interactions to picking up the required materials if electronic materials cannot be provided.

3. STUDENT RESEARCHERS: I will not ask any student researcher to meet with me in person. Instead, I will communicate with them online.

PERSONAL HYGIENE AND PPE

- Aside from following standard good hygiene practices as outlined by the CDC (frequent handwashing, sanitization of surfaces, social distancing, cloth mask when in public), I plan to limit my exposure during research by pursuing only those aspects of my current work that are feasible in a remote setting: no visits to libraries, archives, or museums, working principally with digitized materials.

TIME MANAGEMENT

- I will endeavor to make any necessary visits to the USU library at times when fewer people are likely to be in circulation, such as early morning.

WORKER HEALTH

- I will make a point to remind my research advisees about following best practices of hygiene and prevention. All meetings will be held remotely. Frequent mental and physical health check ins will keep me up to date on their status.