

Principles for 2020 Models

UC Berkeley Library

The UC Berkeley Library has identified five stages, or chapters, to support expanded digital resources and a gradual reopening of physical spaces and services in light of COVID-19. The chapter model follows seven guiding principles and is designed to be flexible so that the Library can move forward or backward in alignment with campus and public health guidelines.

Principle 1: Adhere to campus, local, state, and national public health authority directives.

Principle 2: Protect the safety and well-being of the Library workforce.

Principle 3: Act to ensure the best possible public health outcomes for our user populations.

Principle 4: Within the scope of the Library's mission (of helping current and future users find, evaluate, use, and create knowledge), advance the university's goals of sustaining Berkeley quality instruction and research, and enhancing a sense of community.

Principle 5: Prioritize the needs of current UC Berkeley students, faculty, and staff to support recruitment, retention, academic success, and research productivity.

Principle 6: Prioritize online services and tools that support remote users and workers throughout the period that campus anticipates remote working, teaching, and learning to be part of our model.

Principle 7: Prioritize strategies that help the Library be more effective and efficient in the long term with thoughtful consideration of the costs and effort required for successful adoption.