In order to help prioritize the health and safety of all conference attendees, hotel employees, and the Rutgers community, only those who are fully vaccinated may attend the 2021 DSA conference (October 2021). Protocols on verifying vaccination in advance will be shared with registered attendees in the coming weeks. In-person registrants will need to show proof of vaccination.

Additionally, when arriving at the conference registration desk all attendees will be asked to make a health declaration including: vaccination status, expression/experience of COVID related symptoms in last 10 days, known direct contact with COVID positive person in last 10 days, and positive or presumptively positive COVID case in the last 10 days. This requirement includes registrants, exhibitors/sponsors, guest speakers, and DSA staff. An exception will be made for those who are medically prohibited from being vaccinated, and for those who are not vaccinated for reasons of religious expression. Following Rutgers University protocols, exceptions will be handled on a case-by-case basis, and must be granted in advance of the event. Please email conference@dancestudiesassociation.org if you require medical or religious exemption consideration.

Failure to declare health status and/or falsifying your declaration will result in full cancellation of your presentation and your current DSA membership without refund.

DSA is adhering to Rutgers University COVID-19 vaccine mandates.

DSA will enforce an indoor mask mandate. Outdoor events will be mask-optional. If 3 feet of social distancing is easily maintained, presenters will be allowed to remove masks for the duration of the presentation only.

The Hyatt Regency New Brunswick will follow Hyatt Global’s Care & Cleanliness Commitment. This includes cleaning and sanitizing, temperature and wellbeing checks, hand hygiene and social distancing, masking, and food safety protocols.