Fall 2021 & Spring 2022 Travel & Enrollment Guidance

The Student and Exchange Visitor Program (SEVP) has extended the guidance originally issued in March 2020 for the 2021-22 academic year. Click here to read the updated COVID-19 FAQ guidance (issued November 1, 2021).

Full-Time Enrollment

The minimum number of units required for full-time enrollment for F-1 and J-1 students still applies. For F-1 students, there is no restriction on the number of online classes that count toward full-time enrollment for maintaining Active SEVIS status.

Continuing Students on Main Campus Outside the US

Continuing students can enroll on Main Campus from outside the U.S. and maintain Active SEVIS status, however, the university plans to return most courses at our Main Campus to fully in-person formats in the fall. If you plan to enroll remotely, contact your academic advisor to ask about Live Online and iCourse options in your program.

To report your location outside the U.S. for the semester, submit the Outside the US for COVID-19 e-form in MyGlobal (under Remote Students). You must submit the e-form if you will be outside the U.S. for the semester, even if you already submitted it for a previous semester. If not already updated, we will add the following comment to the remarks field of your I-20: “Outside the United States due to COVID-19.”

Visas & Entry to the US

Students with new initial I-20s may be issued a visa to study inside the United States if your program of study has some in-person learning requirement.

You should print the following items to carry with your passport when you enter the U.S.:

- Printed and signed Form I-20 with a valid travel signature (students with a new initial I-20 for Fall 2021 do not need a travel signature)
- Fall 2021 Visa & Entry Letter / Spring 2022 Visa & Entry Letter
- UAccess class schedule showing full-time enrollment, including at least one in-person or flex in-person class (learn how to view your schedule).

Testing & Quarantine Recommendations Upon Arrival

The Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) provides testing and quarantine recommendations for unvaccinated and vaccinated international travelers arriving to the U.S. As a reminder, there is no university, local or state requirement for testing or quarantine.

COVID-19 testing is available for no charge at several locations on campus and in the community.

Campus Health is offering the Pfizer vaccine to benefits-eligible employees and students through at least the end of the fall semester. You can also can receive your vaccine at several locations across Pima County. If you’re outside of Tucson, check VaccineFinder for availability in your area.