

3/14/20 – Sent to all students abroad.

Dear Study Abroad Students,

The worldwide coronavirus (COVID-19) impact is escalating daily.

With the health and safety of all University of Arizona faculty, staff and students in mind, the University requires all domestic campus travelers currently abroad to return to the U.S. by no later than Tuesday, March 17, 2020.

If you choose to remain abroad at this time, you do so at your own risk and against the express directive of the University. You understand that you are assuming all risks by remaining abroad, and you understand that the University may not be able to provide you support in the case of an emergency.

Risks of Remaining Abroad:

Governments around the world are introducing quarantines and closing borders. These quarantines and closures may escalate as the virus expands. This represents a risk to your well-being that the University of Arizona strongly advises you to avoid.

- Under a quarantine, you may have limited freedom of movement and access to U.S. consular services may be difficult to obtain.
- As a non-resident, you may be at a significant disadvantage in obtaining medical care or other types of assistance that may be in high demand.
- Border closings and flight cancellations may make it difficult to come home should you later change your mind.
- If healthcare facilities and resources become overburdened by COVID-19 in your destination, your access to medical care could be seriously compromised.
- Social unrest is possible putting your well-being further in danger.

Action Item:

- ***Email your return flight information to your study abroad coordinator by March 17th, 2020.***
After we receive confirmation of your return, we will post \$500 to your Bursar's account to help offset the costs associated with your early return

Upon Return:

- You must self-quarantine per the CDC guidelines [here](#) for 14 days.
- You should return to your permanent residence if possible, but may request housing on campus if needed.
- Depending on the study abroad program, you may be able to continue your classes remotely
- Geo Blue insurance coverage will end on, March 18

The [U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#) (CDC) is updating Travel Notices daily. The University's public health and International Travel Safety Oversight Committee is monitoring the CDC and posting updates on our [Coronavirus Information](#) page.

Our goal is to keep you safe and we appreciate your patience and equanimity during this challenging time.

Warmest Regards,

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