

TO: University of Idaho Students, Faculty and Staff

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SUBJECT: International Travel Guidance for Summer 2021

COVID-19 continues to make international travel challenging.

Travel to countries with a U.S. Department of State Travel

Advisory Level 1 or 2 will now be permitted by the university.

We recommend all travelers have COVID-19 vaccinations.

This change is in accordance with guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the World Health Organization and the U.S. Department of State Travel Advisories. The university international travel policy requires additional approval for university-affiliated travel to countries with a Level 3 or 4 Travel Advisory Level.

Should you choose to travel internationally, be aware that travel may require proof of negative COVID-19 PCR test results prior to departure or mandatory quarantine upon arrival. Closed borders and further travel restrictions could be implemented by foreign governments with little notice. This travel advisory will be in effect until Sunday, August 15, or when further changes are deemed appropriate.

Note: International (non-U.S. residents) students, scholars and employees should work with U of I <u>International</u>

<u>Services</u> to ensure immigration regulations and approval steps (if required) are addressed prior to any international travel.

Students

Students with plans to travel to a Level 3 or 4 Travel Advisory country and having compelling reasons why their study, research or internship plans in Summer 2021 are essential, must petition for approval through the U of I International Emergency Management Committee. Students must have a completed application through the Education Abroad Office prior to petitioning.

Faculty/Staff

Faculty and staff with university-affiliated international travel plans to a Level 3 or 4 Travel Advisory country should seek approval by their college dean/vice provost or higher and then submit a petition for travel approval to the U of I International Emergency Management Committee. If travel is approved, register the travel through Chrome River and the International Travel Registry.

The U of I International Emergency Management Committee will review petitions to travel to Level 3 or 4 countries on a case-by-case basis. Petition submissions should be directed to abroad@uidaho.edu.

Petition materials include but are not limited to:

- A statement on why travel to the specific country is necessary;
- Letters of support from department, partners, providers or leadership in host country; and
- COVID-19 safety measures or protocols you will follow.

As conditions evolve, we will keep you posted on any changes in guidance for international travel.

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