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## Interim Student Organization Travel Policy

This policy applies to all University sponsored student travel and student organization travel.

Recommendation by the Student Engagement Center and the Division of University Inclusivity and Student Affairs: **permit student organization travel with safety requirements**

Interim Policy:

- A. International student organization travel is suspended until December 31, 2021.
- B. Intra/Interstate student organization travel is permitted under the following requirements:
  - a. In all cases, individuals who have one or more COVID-19 Symptoms which are not otherwise medically distinguished shall be excluded from all travel until they have been asymptomatic for not less than 24 hours.
  - b. Testing Requirements: Participants must test negative on COVID-19 viral test 1-3 days prior to travel. It is recommended that participants quarantine between testing and departure date. Testing exemptions are granted to individuals exempted through the UW-Green Bay process who are asymptomatic.
  - c. Face covering and social distancing is mandatory for individuals who have not registered as exempt during all travel activities, with the exception of when eating, drinking, or sleeping.
    - i. Use of face covering is required for individuals who have not registered as exempt during any form of transportation to and from the primary activity
    - ii. Use of face coverings is required for individuals who have not registered as exempt during the primary activity regardless of the venue's policies when participants are indoors or are unable to maintain 3' physical distance
  - d. Regardless of vaccination status, wearing a mask over the nose and mouth is required on planes, buses, trains, and other forms of public transportation traveling into, or within the United States and while indoors at U.S. transportation hubs such as airports and stations.
    - i. Travelers are not required to wear a mask in outdoor areas of a conveyance (like on a ferry or the top deck of a bus).
    - ii. Travelers may be required to wear a face covering regardless of vaccination status if the level of community transmission COVID-19 at their destination is considered substantial or high by the CDC
  - e. Individuals who have not registered as exempt must stay at least 3 feet/1 meters from anyone who is not traveling with the sponsored group/activity. The facilitator of the activity should make all reasonable efforts to accommodate the appropriate social distancing during the event.
  - f. Shared overnight lodging is permitted for those who have registered as exempt or are of a shared household or residence\*\*.
  - g. Upon return, if exempt\* or have recovered from COVID-19 in the past three months:
    - i. Self-monitor for COVID-19 symptoms; isolate and get tested **if** symptoms develop.
    - ii. Follow all state and local recommendations or requirements.
  - h. Upon return, all non-exempt individual must:

- i. Get tested with a viral test 3-5 days after travel AND stay home and self-quarantine for a full 7 days after travel.
  1. If positivity is confirmed via testing, isolate to protect others from getting infected.
    - a. Contact the Office of COVID response
  - ii. If testing is not completed, stay home and self-quarantine for 10 days after travel.
  - iii. Self-monitor for COVID-19 symptoms; isolate and get tested if symptoms develop.
  - iv. Follow all state and local recommendations or requirements.

### *Guiding Principles*

- The United States is currently categorized by the CDC as Level 3: COVID-19 High; Make sure to fully vaccinate before traveling to Level 3 destinations. Unvaccinated travelers should avoid nonessential travel to Level 3 destinations.
- The best way to prevent illness is to avoid exposure to the virus.
- “COVID-19 is spread in three main ways:
  - Breathing in air when close to an infected person who is exhaling small droplets and particles that contain the virus.
  - Having these small droplets and particles that contain virus land on the eyes, nose, or mouth, especially through splashes and sprays like a cough or sneeze.
  - Touching eyes, nose, or mouth with hands that have the virus on them.”  
(<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/how-covid-spreads.html>)
- CDC recommends delaying travel until fully vaccinated\*. If not fully vaccinated and must travel, follow CDC’s recommendations for unvaccinated people.
  - “People who are fully vaccinated with an FDA-authorized vaccine or a vaccine authorized for emergency use by the World Health Organization can travel safely within the United States.
  - CDC will update these recommendations as more people are vaccinated, as rates of COVID-19 change, and as additional scientific evidence becomes available. This guidance applies to travel within the United States and U.S. territories.” <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/travelers/travel-during-covid19.html>
- Student organization travel generally consists of travel with individuals not of the same household. The CDC recommendations vary for those of the same household and those who are not.
- Student organizations often make financial decisions that increase travelers’ contact with others such as sharing hotel rooms/beds and maximizing seats in personal vehicles.
- \*Individuals are considered exempt under the UW-Green bay protocols:
  - 2 weeks after the second dose in a 2-dose series, such as the Pfizer or Moderna vaccines, or
  - 2 weeks after a single-dose vaccine, such as Johnson & Johnson’s Janssen vaccine
  - Have confirmed their vaccination record through the Office of COVID-19 Response through the process found [here](#).
- \*\*Household is defined as people who live together in one housing unit regardless of their relation to each other.
  - Roommates within the same residence hall unit
  - Roommates within the same apartment unit