

TRAVEL POLICY

For All Community Members Traveling during the Coronavirus Pandemic

The coronavirus pandemic is an ever-evolving and challenging threat to all our community members. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, travel increases your chances of contracting or spreading COVID-19. The School is responsible for providing a safe and healthy environment. As part of a broader effort to limit the transmission of COVID-19 from place to place, non-essential travel (domestic and international) is strongly discouraged.

Connecticut's Travel Advisory is scheduled to change on 3/19 from required to recommended guidance. Effective 3/19, the School's travel policy will reflect Connecticut's guidelines, recommending but not requiring community members to follow Connecticut's Travel advisory. Please note students returning to Houses/Halls will continue to follow the currently published residential policies.

Until 3/19: Connecticut's Travel Advisory lists the states having a high positive COVID-19 case rate. Traveling to an impacted state is not recommended; if an adjacent state to Connecticut and the stay is less than 24 hours, you are exempt from the travel protocol. If you reside in a state listed on the travel advisory, your commute to school is considered essential travel, and you are currently allowed on campus.

Community members who choose to engage in non-exempt travel to a state listed on Connecticut's Travel Advisory, or a country considered high-risk by the CDC, must follow these steps:

- Review <u>CDC</u> guidance before they decide to travel during the Coronavirus pandemic.
- Upon return to home:
 - Self-quarantine off-campus for 10 days without testing (not applicable to employees), or
 - 7 days if tested on day 5 or later, and receiving a negative test result (The <u>Health</u> <u>Office</u> must be informed and provided a copy of test result).
- Follow the Daily Self-Monitoring Checklist on their own and report to the Health Office only if COVID-like symptoms develop (employees report to Human Resources.)

Community members must also follow this travel policy when:

- A member of their household travels and is not able to isolate from them upon their return home.
- They spend time with someone who resides in an impacted state, not adjacent to Connecticut.

We encourage our community members to make safe choices on and off-campus. Discovery of a community member compromising our community members by participating in a COVID-19 high-risk activity or failure to disclose and complete travel quarantine may result in disciplinary action up to and including dismissal.

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