

## **Acknowledgement of Travel Responsibilities and Limitations of Support**

### **International Travel**

Any Drexel University, Academy of Natural Sciences, Drexel University Online, or API ("Drexel") faculty or professional staff member traveling for approved Drexel-affiliated travel, as outlined in the University COVID-19 Travel Protocols, must review and acknowledge the following information prior to travel. Approved travelers will officially sign this acknowledgement as part of their post-approval registration in Drexel's GRAND System. Please review the [Travel Guidance](#) provided to you by the Essential Travel Review Committee (ETRC) for more information.

#### **I acknowledge and agree to the following:**

- I understand that Drexel recommends that I only engage in travel if I am in good health and am free from any physical or mental ailment or disability requiring medical, surgical, or other care or treatment which might endanger my health or safety or the health and safety of those with whom I may come in contact. I also understand that Drexel recommends that I speak to my physician prior to traveling to obtain medical clearance to travel. If I am prescribed any medication, it is my responsibility to confirm the legality of my medication in my host and transit countries, to bring the necessary quantity of all legal, prescribed medication needed for the duration of my travel, and to take said medication as prescribed by my physician.
- I agree to check before my departure how my medical health insurance coverage will respond abroad with respect to my location of travel.
- I have familiarized myself with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) <http://www.cdc.gov> guidelines and recommendations for travel and the US Department of State's Travel Advisory and Country Specific Information (<https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/International-Travel-Country-Information-Pages.html>).
- I agree to register in the Smart Traveler Enrollment Program (STEP) prior to departure (<https://step.state.gov/step/>).
- During travel, I understand that I will be subject to all local laws and regulations of the host country and any transit countries. These laws and regulations could impact entry and exit capabilities, access to transportation, business operations, free movement, and more. Drexel, and the US Government (or my government of citizenship) may be limited in their ability to provide assistance to me in order to abide by, or should I fail to abide by, any such regulations. It is my responsibility to be aware of these regulations and plan accordingly or defer travel if such regulations would limit the successful completion of my intended travel purpose.
- As a traveler, I understand that I may incur additional fees or travel costs if travel is cancelled, preventative quarantine is required, in-country operations are suspended, my stay is extended as a result of travel restrictions, or for other reasons. Prior to travel, I will speak with the division, department, office, or organization sponsoring or organizing my travel and confirm whether financial support under such circumstances will be available and any limitations that may apply.
- It is my responsibility to secure the necessary supply of masks, sanitizing products, or other related supplies that may be required in order to access transportation, appear in public, or visit any operating establishments during my travel.

- I understand that Drexel recommends travelers, even those who are vaccinated, take precautions to prevent infection, including wearing a mask when in indoor settings with others who are either unvaccinated or whose vaccination status is unknown.
- Despite the University's current position restricting domestic and international travel during the COVID-19 global pandemic, an exception to approve this travel was granted by Drexel, at my request. Given the evolving nature of the pandemic, and in accordance with public health guidance or directives of the countries and localities of my travel, Drexel reserves the right to revoke this approval if health and safety conditions change.
- Depending on the local and national laws of the host country, transit countries, and the United States, and the insurance limitations in place, I understand that Drexel, Drexel's international emergency assistance provider (applicable for international travel only), On Call International, and the United States government (or my government of citizenship) may not be able to assist in my evacuation and return to the United States and that evacuation may be delayed or not available.
- As of 12/2/2021, all travelers coming to the United States from international destinations must have a negative COVID-19 travel result one day prior to departure or provide documentation of recovery from COVID-19. Detailed information on testing availability in-country is available from the US Embassies. I understand that I must comply with these or any other future entry requirements when returning to the United States.
- I understand that I am required to be fully vaccinated, including a booster for COVID-19 with a vaccine authorized by either the WHO or US FDA prior to departure. I further understand that even if fully vaccinated and boosted for COVID-19, I may still become infected with COVID-19, and I am willing to accept this risk.
- It is my responsibility to cover preventative quarantine costs, such as hotel or meal costs, for 14 day self-quarantine upon arrival in the host country and/or upon return, as well as any costs for testing or treatment, unless determined to be an appropriate University expense by the division, department, office, or organization sponsoring or organizing my travel.

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**Faculty/Staff Signature**

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**Date**

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**Title**

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**Printed Name**

For questions concerning this Acknowledgement, please contact [Covid19travel@drexel.edu](mailto:Covid19travel@drexel.edu).