Dear UNH Study Abroad Students and Families,

Our students’ health and safety continue to be our first priority. It is an extremely stressful situation for you all and we thank you for your strength and resilience as you have navigated these challenging and unpredictable events. It is with careful consideration that UNH is announcing that all students studying abroad are required to immediately return to the U.S. We do not underestimate the disappointment as well as difficulties you may experience in leaving your study abroad home and arranging travel on such short notice. Now that the World Health Organization classifies COVID-19 a pandemic, it is likely to become increasingly difficult to travel abroad and to the U.S. and we’re concerned it will get increasingly difficult to guarantee your safety and well-being.

Students on UNH Managed and UNH Exchange programs
- If you are on a Managed program please communicate with your faculty director to organize your departure from the program.
- If you are on an Exchange program, please communicate with your study abroad advisor, your host institution contact and your housing coordinator.
- If you purchased your ticket independently and were not part of a group flight arranged by your program, you must work directly with your airline or travel agency immediately to change your ticket.
- Inform your program director and Education Abroad advisor about your return travel details and update your trip record in MyTrips.

Students on UNH Approved programs
- Please work with your onsite program coordinators to make academic and logistical arrangements.
- This includes following program protocols for arranging distance learning if available, departing housing and completing any necessary paperwork.
- If you purchased your ticket independently and were not part of a group flight arranged by your Approved provider, you must work directly with your airline or travel agency immediately to change your ticket.
- Inform your Approved program provider and Education Abroad advisor about your return travel details and update your trip record in MyTrips.

We recommend that you closely follow CDC recommendations and International SOS alerts about travel and health screening measures at airports abroad and in the U.S. You should not be traveling if you are sick. All students should self-isolate for a period of 14 days after returning to the U.S.

If you were in a country with a COVID-19 outbreak and feel sick with fever, cough, or difficulty breathing, within 14 days after you left, you should:
- Seek medical advice – Call ahead before you go to a doctor’s office or emergency room. Tell them about your recent travel and your symptoms.
• Avoid contact with others.
• Not travel on public transportation while sick.
• Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue or your sleeve (not your hands) when coughing or sneezing.
• Wash hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds to avoid spreading the virus to others.
• Wash your hands with soap and water immediately after coughing, sneezing or blowing your nose.
• If soap and water are not readily available, you can use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer that contains 60%–95% alcohol. Always wash hands with soap and water if hands are visibly dirty.

We wish our student travelers an easy, safe and swift journey home.

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