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GUIDELINES AND RECOMMENDATIONS FOR INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL

This document addresses guidelines and recommendations for:

- Travel Registry for Staff and Students
- Staff and Students travelling abroad
- Incoming Visiting Delegations and Incoming International Student Mobility

TRAVEL REGISTRY FOR STAFF AND STUDENTS

All SU students and staff travelling abroad must complete the travel registry before their departure. Please see the following website:

www.sun.ac.za/english/SUInternational/current-students/travelregistry

Students:

- Student Mobility have resumed since students can get the necessary visas and other clearances required to enable mobility.
- Please consult the Centre for Global Engagement (CGE) (exchange@sun.ac.za) regarding the status of applications and nominations to your chosen university.
- Students returning from abroad, should meet the requirements as set out by the regulations from the returning country/countries and SA regulations/directions as applicable before returning to campus and work. You can find the latest version of the South African Regulations and Directions [here](#).
- Students (going through the CGE) on an exchange or attending a summer school must complete a student mobility agreement before departure.

Staff:

- Staff must complete the travel registry, see link:
www.sun.ac.za/english/SUInternational/current-students/travelregistry
- Staff must provide proof of medical and travel insurance.
- All work-related travel must be approved by your line manager.

STELLENBOSCH UNIVERSITY STAFF AND STUDENTS TRAVELLING ABROAD:

If you are planning to travel internationally, please consider:

- Full vaccination before travelling abroad is highly recommended and encouraged. Read more about the vaccination site established for Stellenbosch University staff and students, see link: <http://www.sun.ac.za/english/covid-19-vaccinations>.
- Visa requirements for the country you are travelling to.
- Some countries may still require self-quarantine upon arrival; make sure to get the necessary information before departure.
- In the past some countries have banned flights from South Africa; please consult your airline operator.
- Please take note of departure and re-entry requirements to and from South-Africa and countries intended to be visited.
- Ensure that you have sufficient medical and travel insurance.
- Plan for contingencies, especially for possible delays or cancellation of flights, a change in risk status of the country you have travelled to and possible repercussions in terms of returning to South Africa.
- Consult the list of COVID high risk countries and try to avoid travel to countries identified as COVID high risk countries. This [CDC list](#) is updated regularly.¹
- Contact Campus Health should you suspect that you are ill, show any symptoms or to find out where to get a COVID- test. Visit their [website](#) or call 021 808 3494/6.
- Currently there is no curfew in place, but this may change on very short notice. You can consult the latest regulations [here](#).

INCOMING VISITING DELEGATIONS AND INCOMING INTERNATIONAL STUDENT MOBILITY

Stellenbosch University will accept visiting delegations and international students, subject to visitors and students having the required visas/permits and having met the national regulatory requirements on immigration and entry.

Requirements to enter South Africa:

- Most land borders are fully operational and international students should be able to travel over country borders with a valid study permit/visa. All international student enquiries regarding permits and visas can be sent to immigration@sun.ac.za. The South African Regulations list the borders that are operational. Please consult the regulations [here](#).
- **FULLY VACCINATED TRAVELLERS:** Upon arrival at the port of entry all fully vaccinated travellers must provide a valid vaccination certificate.
- **UNVACCINATED TRAVELLERS** upon arrival at the port of entry must provide a valid certificate of a negative Covid-19 PCR test, recognised by the World Health Organisation, which was obtained not more than 72 hours before the date of travel.
- Visitors who enter through a South African border and who do not have a valid PCR test, or vaccination certificate, will be required to do a COVID-19 test on arrival at their own cost and in the case of a positive test they will be required to quarantine at their own cost for 10 days.

¹ The CDC is the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, a US federal agency.

- All staff, students and visitors must complete [the Higher Health screening test](#) **before** they come to campus. The screening test must be completed daily.
- International travellers are required to have mandatory travel insurance that covers the cost of a COVID-19 test (for those showing symptoms) and isolation costs as applicable.
- Contact Campus Health should you suspect that you are ill, show any symptoms or to find out where to get a COVID- test. Visit their [website](#) or call 021 808 3494/6. The emergency (after hours) contact number is 076 431 0305.

Take note that South Africa is on [the CDC list](#) and that this may impact incoming travel (international delegations, staff appointments, semester mobility and other non-degree mobility)

Government Documents:

[Link to the Regulations and Directions](#)

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