

Dear SDSU Community,

As part of our continuing effort to keep the campus informed of guidance and decisions regarding the public health concerns associated with the coronavirus (COVID-19), we are sharing an additional campus update.

As we are in an active cold and flu season and an active mumps outbreak, SDSU has been taking extra precautions for prevention and preparedness. The university has introduced deep cleaning, touch point and other heavy cleaning in areas throughout campus, to include campus housing, dining services and common areas. Also given ongoing public health concerns with COVID-19, such measures are critical for campus readiness should anyone present with symptoms associated with respiratory illness.

### **Study Abroad Programs**

Upon careful consideration of the potential health and financial risks to students and their families, SDSU has suspended spring semester study abroad programs in countries with level 3 advisories.

Impacted students have been contacted, and will continue to receive detailed information and guidance. Also, waivers to the international experience requirement will be provided to 2020 graduating seniors (May, August and December).

Students who are returning home must follow the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's [new guidelines to self-isolate](#) (offered in English and Spanish) for 14 days.

### **Other University-related Travel**

SDSU asks that students and employees seek travel insurance for any travel, including domestic travel, whenever possible.

We also ask all individuals returning from countries with level 3 travel warnings to follow the [CDC's new guidelines to self-isolate](#) for 14 days after returning home from the affected area.

Further, reducing all international travel is strongly recommended given the current global climate related to COVID-19. We make the same request for non-essential domestic travel – be thoughtful in how you travel and where. Certain

parts of the country are starting to report more cases than others. Please continue to monitor your travel and contact SDSU Abroad office at 619-594-2475 or [studyabroad@sdsu.edu](mailto:studyabroad@sdsu.edu).

### **Personal, Public Health Reminders**

Further, we encourage all members of our campus community to:

- Not come to campus for classes, work or meetings if you are sick. It is the cold and flu season, and it is important for people with cold and flu symptoms, including coughing, congestion and fever, to remain home and focus on self care. This will help individuals work toward getting better and not spreading any illness. This is an imperative, and comes at the urging of national and international public health officials. It is important that we each prioritize personal care if we are not well.
- Practice [healthy habits](#) and good hygiene.

As we have described in earlier messages, university officials continue to closely monitor the global coronavirus outbreak for additional actions and communications.

All students, faculty and staff should continue to check your university email and SDSU's [COVID-19 web page](#) regularly. We will continue to share timely updates via these channels.

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