

March 18, 2020

Dear Student,

This email follows my communication of [March 16](#) regarding the Directive to Return, hereby sent to all students not confirmed as being home (from study programs based in Latin American, Ireland, the United Kingdom, and Europe). Per questions received, I wish to convey additional details to all.

[1] Regarding your travel plans (including confirmation of being completed), either [a] ONLINE please log into your [My Study Abroad page](#) and update the “**online travel itinerary form**” with final return travel plans. Ideally this would be updated per any ongoing changes. Alternatively, [b] EMAIL (particularly if you have difficulty with the above) directly to me or your ongoing [study abroad advisor](#) to provide your return information and status.

[2] Your enrollment status at Purdue remains with your being in spring semester registration. Specific instructions will be conveyed to students about options for remote continuance according to the specific semester program.

[3] There are not “exceptions” to the given Directive to Return. Some students reading this will realize they are one of a few who have told me of desires to stay for given reasons. (Both of the former sentences are true.)

[4] Most importantly, I would urge you to make travel plans soon, if you have not already. With forthcoming travel restrictions in the EU and elsewhere, coupled with flight scarcity and other uncertainty, there is not an artificially imposed deadline in favor directing you to return home at your most immediate opportunity.

For travel back to the United States, note the following important information from the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). This includes [Travel Recommendations by Country](#) (particularly being mindful of the parallel Purdue self-quarantine requirement for those arriving from Level-3 destinations) as well as the practice of social distancing as referenced in the [Global COVID-19 Outbreak Notice](#).

Best wishes as you complete your travel plans during this intense time.

Sincerely,

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