

International Travel Oversight Committee

February 28, 2020

To WashU International Travelers:

As of February 28, 2020, the International Travel Oversight Committee (ITOC) Executive Body is implementing a travel suspension condition for all travel to Italy as a result of the COVID-19 outbreak. This is in accordance with the [Centers for Disease Control Warning – Level 3, Avoid Nonessential Travel health notice](#) for Italy, the [U.S. Department of State’s Level 3 Travel Advisory: Reconsider Travel](#) for Italy, and the [university’s international travel policy](#).

This is an expansion of the prior travel suspension conditions of mainland China and South Korea as a result of the COVID-19 outbreak. This travel suspension condition will be re-evaluated by the ITOC Executive Body when the Centers for Disease Control and/ or U.S. Department of State change the level of their respective travel advisories.

Travel suspension conditions pertain to university-sponsored and university-supported travel. Per the university’s international travel policy, a travel suspension condition indicates the following:

- The university will not fund, award credit for, or otherwise sponsor or support travel by any student to or through any country or region for which a travel suspension condition applies, unless approved by the ITOC Executive Body.
- Faculty and staff are strongly cautioned against, but not prohibited from, traveling to or remaining in countries or regions for which a Travel Suspension Condition applies.
- Faculty or staff traveling with university funding to pursue research, study or other university-related business in a country for which a Travel Suspension Condition applies are required to (i) submit a Travel Proposal to the ITOC Executive Body seeking permission to travel to the country; (ii) notify their Dean (or designate), Chair, or supervisor; and (iii) provide all travel, lodging and contact information by entering their travel into the MyTrips International Travel Registry no less than 3 weeks prior to departure.

For additional details regarding these definitions and university travel suspension conditions please visit: <https://global.wustl.edu/resources/international-travel-policy/>

If you have traveled to Italy, South Korea or mainland China for business or personal reasons within the last 14 days and regardless of whether you are experiencing symptoms, you are required to do the following before coming to campus:

- Danforth campus: All faculty, staff and students must contact Habif Health and Wellness Center at 314-935-6677.
- Medical campus: All faculty and staff must contact Occupational Health at 314-362-3528. All students must contact Student Health at 314-362-3528.

All travelers, domestic and international, should be aware that [precautions are being instituted](#) at major transportation hubs around the world and in major U.S. cities. Be advised that traveling



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with a fever from an unrelated condition could also result in increased screenings and other issues.

As always, all university-affiliated international travel must be registered with the university's travel registry, [MyTrips](#). Registering your itinerary will automatically subscribe you to alerts from International SOS with the most current information for your registered location.

This is a complex and evolving situation, which we will continue to monitor closely and actively. More information about COVID-19 and general precautions can be found through the CDC [here](#). Updates to university international travel guidance can be found [here](#). WashU places the highest priority on our travelers' safety and security. Please contact itoc@wustl.edu with any additional questions about current or future travel. Questions related to health or healthcare should be directed to medical professionals.