NUNM Individual Student Travel Policy with IPSL

Individualized, global travel with IPSL Institute at NUNM is permissible now under these three principal criteria, which will determine whether a student will be permitted to travel (please consult IPSL for individual inquiries):

- the travel is individualized (non-group)
- entry into the country is permissible
- participant provides signed COVID-19 liability waiver (in addition to the Contract of Participation)
- Participant is fully vaccinated for COVID and provides qualified proof of vaccine

IPSL Global Institute at NUNM recognizes the challenges of the current pandemic, and adjustments to the program have been made to provide the flexibility needed to ensure the health and well-being of our students. For more information about program specifics, contact Thomas Morgan at tmorgan@nunm.edu or Arianne Newton at anewton@nunm.edu.

**Group Travel** is defined as any NUNM Travel Course (led by NUNM faculty/chaperone) where more than three participants travel together to and within a country under a group-type itinerary.

**Individualized Travel** is defined as an NUNM student, including an IDS/COSA graduate student, arranging individualized travel plans to an IPSL program location abroad.

**Customized Program** travel is defined as any individually arranged travel plan, like a stand-alone travel term, that can consist of a preceptorship, fieldwork, courses, research, language immersion, etc. to an IPSL program location abroad.

**The following areas are considered when making the decision to reopen any IPSL program locations:**

- **Home country conditions**: We cannot responsibly run international programs until the number of new COVID-19 cases in the home country of our participants is within a range that is acceptable for a host country.
- **Host country conditions**: We need to consider the number of new COVID-19 cases in a host country to ensure safety. We need to ensure that local restrictions don’t inhibit the feasibility or the quality of the program.
- **International travel**: We need to consider whether travel advisories between home and host countries have been lifted, whether the host country is granting visas to participants who are citizens of a specific country, what kinds of entry and re-entry requirements are in place and whether flights are available between the home country of participants and our host countries.
- **Health and Hygiene Policy and Procedures**: We need to ensure recommended/required health and hygiene standards are consistently being met.
- **Project relevance and wishes of host communities**: We need to ensure that the program is still relevant and that our community partners and members wish the collaborative project initiatives to restart.

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