



International Travel Directive for StFX Students and Employees

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As the COVID-19 virus continues to rapidly evolve and to spread internationally, until further notice the university has decided to:

- Prohibit all faculty and staff non-personal travel to countries for which the Public Health Agency of Canada (PHAC) has issued a [travel health notice](#) related to COVID-19 at any risk level (1-4 inclusive); and
- Prohibit all academically-related student travel to any international destination.

This is a difficult decision, made with the well-being and safety of our campus community foremost in mind. Please be assured that the university will work with all individuals to minimize both the impact on students' academic careers as well as the associated financial impact for faculty, staff, and students due to cancelling travel.

The university also understands that members of faculty or staff may not be comfortable to proceed with previously planned university travel, even though a travel health notice has not been issued for their destination. For more information regarding these situations, please contact your direct manager.

If You Are Still Planning Travel To An International Destination

We strongly encourage all faculty and staff to consider canceling all non-essential international travel to countries not included on the PHAC list. We encourage all travelers to monitor the list of countries subject to a travel health notice, kept up to date by [PHAC](#).

[Please review this website](#) prior to booking travel or embarking on future trips, as the situation is quickly changing and the list of countries subject to a travel health notice is likely to expand. We also encourage travelers to be fully aware of their travel insurance coverage as benefits may change should a country's status change within the PHAC travel advisories.

Upon returning to Canada, all travelers should monitor their health for fever, cough and difficulty breathing for 14 days. If you have these symptoms, contact the public health authority (811 in Nova Scotia) immediately and self-isolate for 14 days.