

The Global Glance

A Monthly Update from the Office of Global Engagement
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Visa/Immigration

A Message About Fulbright Students and Scholars

Fulbright/IIE organizations sponsor international participants to UNMC every year, from full-time, degree-seeking students who will spend from two to five years here achieving their academic goals, to scholars from around the world looking for research and collaboration opportunities to share and expand their knowledge in our areas of scientific study. Because these visitors are often fully, or mostly funded by the Fulbright organization and don't require UNMC's visa sponsorship to enter the U.S. and join their on-campus programs, the Office of Global Engagement (OGE) is not always notified when they appear on campus. To help our office with our goal of representing all international participants on campus, regardless of sponsorship or visa type, we would like to be aware of all Fulbright students and scholars when they are invited to join UNMC. If you currently have Fulbright students or scholars in your department and you're not sure whether OGE is aware of their presence on campus, please send an email to globalsupport@unmc.edu to verify whether we currently have your visitor(s) or student(s) in our list of international participants. Also, feel free to share our contact information with your Fulbright visitors and encourage them to reach out to us if they have any questions about their status, or if we can help them in any way.

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Changes to International Travel Request Process

UNMC is returning to pre-COVID-19 operations for processing international travel requests for faculty, staff and students on university-sponsored business.

Faculty and staff must submit a travel request in Concur prior to booking travel. Students should contact [Education Abroad](#) of their intent to travel.

UNMC, as a part of the University of Nebraska system, adheres to the policy outlined in [Executive Memorandum No. 25](#) and requires prior approval for international travel to higher risk locations (as identified by the CDC and U.S. Department of State travel [notices](#) and [advisories](#)). Travelers will be notified after they submit their Concur travel request if their destination is considered higher risk and additional information is needed.

For any university-sponsored international travel, the following process takes place:

- Faculty/staff submits their travel request in Concur. Students notify [Education Abroad](#) of their intent to travel.
- Following supervisor and financial approvals, the Office of Global Engagement (OGE) will conduct an initial risk assessment and will inform the traveler if their destination is considered higher risk.
- Informed travelers submit an online travel petition to be reviewed by the UNMC International Travel Review Committee.
- After review, the OGE will forward the petition to the Chancellor's Office with a "recommended" or "not recommended" classification.
- Chancellor approves or denies the petition and cleared travel will receive final approval through Concur. Students will review an approval notification through Education Abroad.

For more information and resources, please visit the [OGE travel website](#).

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Revised US entry requirements

Effective June 12, the CDC no longer requires air passengers traveling from an international country to the United States to show a negative COVID-19 test or documentation of recovery from COVID-19 before boarding a flight. The CDC continues to recommend travelers boarding a flight to the U.S. to get tested for current infection as close to the time of departure as possible (no more than 3 days) and not travel if they are sick.

Non-U.S. citizen, nonimmigrant travelers are still required to show proof of COVID-19 vaccination before boarding a flight to the U.S. Travelers should contact their airline on how to comply with this requirement.

Upcoming Events and Deadlines

International Student Orientation

International Student Orientation will be held Thursday and Friday, August 11 and 12 in the Williams Science Hall. If international students will be arriving to your department for fall 2022, please enforce that they should arrive to campus prior to the International Student Orientation.

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2023-2024 Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program competition now open

The [Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program \[mx.technolutions.net\]](#) is now accepting applications for the 2023-2024 academic year! Applications are accepted through our deadline of **September 15, 2022**.

[Visit our Webinar Schedule \[mx.technolutions.net\]](#) for details about events throughout the competition, featuring specific countries, regions and disciplines. We look forward to seeing you (virtually) in webinars throughout the year!

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