



University Travel Restriction on Student Travel to Egypt

Restriction implemented: **February 8, 2018**

The University is restricting student travel for University related purposes to Egypt according to its authority to issue a “University Travel Restriction” in the [Policy on Student International Travel](#).

Rationale

The US State Department has issued a Level 2 Threat Advisory “Exercise Increased Precautions” for Egypt, with Level 4 Advisories of “Do Not Travel” for the Sinai Peninsula, Western Desert, and border areas due to terrorism and active military zones. However, terrorist attacks on Coptic communities in the past year combined with the prevalence of demonstrations that turn violent indicate a pattern of high risk to personal safety and security in urban centers as well. State security services are also rated poor in trustworthiness, capability, and responsiveness, including a record of hostility to foreign nationals.

Exemptions

Exemptions to the restriction may be requested by undergraduate or graduate students. See “Petitioning for Exemptions” in [Policy on Student International Travel](#).

University Risk Management Committee for Education Abroad

Members include the vice provost for global affairs and representatives from the Office of University Counsel, Office of Property & Liability Risk Management, Office of the Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer, International Studies Office, Elson Student Health Center, Office of the Dean of Students, Office of the Vice President for Research, and at least three members of the faculty from schools with a particularly high level of student travel abroad programs, who each serve three-year terms.

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Resources

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[U.S. Department of State Travel Advisories](#)
[Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#)
[World Health Organization](#)