

## **International Student Return Information FAQ**

(as of July 2, 2020)

### **Travel Restrictions – students outside the U.S.:**

Q. Which countries are impacted by the coronavirus travel restrictions to the U.S.?

A. The May 24 Presidential Proclamation updates previous travel restrictions. It suspends entry into the U.S. of all non-U.S. citizens who were physically present within the following countries during the 14-day period preceding their entry to the U.S.

- People’s Republic of China (excluding Hong Kong and Macau)
- Islamic Republic of Iran
- Schengen Area (Austria, Belgium, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Italy, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, and Switzerland)
- United Kingdom, excluding overseas territories outside of Europe
- Ireland
- Brazil

Please continue to monitor the news, airline travel information, and the Newberry College web page for changes or updates.

Q. Can I travel to another country before traveling to the U.S.?

A. If you plan to travel to another country before entering the U.S., be sure to review travel restrictions for that country before making travel plans. Many countries around the world have restricted travel to/from other countries so be sure to review travel restrictions before you travel. Be aware that you must remain physically present outside of the country impacted by travel restrictions for 14 days or more before you will be allowed to enter the U.S. Newberry College cannot advise on travel to countries other than the U.S. Make sure you do your research and understand any restrictions or requirements before traveling.

Q. How long will these travel restrictions last?

A. This is unknown. The U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services will monitor the situation and will advise whether the restriction continue, change, or end. See the proclamation.

Q. I am currently in a country impacted by the travel restrictions. Can I provide a negative test result for COVID-19 to enter the U.S.?

A. The U.S. government is not allowing exceptions at this time. Continue to monitor the news or this web page for updates.

Q. I am currently in a country impacted by the COVID-19 travel restrictions but have not been near any of the impacted cities. Can I return to the U.S.?

A. The U.S. government is not allowing exceptions at this time. Continue to monitor the news or this web page for updates.

Q. My planned time outside the U.S. will be 5 months or more. I have heard there is a maximum 5 month limit. Can I still return to the U.S.?

A. If you stayed enrolled full-time in online coursework during Spring 2020 and return for Fall 2020 classes, you will not be impacted by this rule. **If you are not able to return to Newberry College for the**

Fall 2020 semester, we are monitoring SEVIS & SEVP for any policy changes, in accordance and result of COVID-19 global travel restrictions, that effects the 5 month rule. We will provide updated information as it becomes available.

Q. My current F-1 visa expired after I left Newberry College in Spring 2020. What do I do?

A. If your existing F-1 visa will expire before your return, you would need to apply for a new one at a U.S. Embassy or Consulate before you can travel to the U.S. Review the Embassy or Consulate's [visa appointment information](#) where you before you make final travel plans.