

## Guidelines for Resuming Overseas Dispatch/Study Abroad

According to the Infectious Disease Risk Information released by Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MOFA) of Japan, currently, Level 3 (avoid all travel) or Level 2 (avoid non-essential travel) are issued on travel to all countries/regions of the world due to the spread of COVID-19. Therefore, TUAT students' newly planned overseas dispatches/study abroad are cancelled at the moment.

In the future, should the situation improve and the risk levels of MOFA's Infectious Disease Risk Information on travel to certain countries/regions decrease to Level 1 or lower, we will consider resuming TUAT students' overseas dispatches/study abroad step by step based on the following guidelines.

### **[Guidelines for Resuming Overseas Dispatch/Study Abroad]**

- ※ For overseas dispatches to attend academic conferences/international meetings, to meet all the following conditions from 1 to 7; for other overseas dispatches/study abroad, to meet all the following conditions from 1 to 9
  - ※ You understand and agree to the following while preparing for your travel: when conditions change during travelling overseas, the University may request for cancellation of the travel. In principle, cancellation fees, etc. occurred in this case are borne by the students.
1. The risk levels of travel to your destination country(s) and transit country(s) both are Level 1 or lower according to the MOFA's Infectious Disease Risk Information.
  2. You can obtain the required visa (you must ensure whether you will require a visa or not, because there are countries/regions which used to waive their visa requirements for short-term stay travelers from Japan, but recently their visa exemption measures have been suspended, etc. due to the impact of the COVID-19 spread).
  3. There are no entry restrictions placed for travelers entering your destination country(s) and transit country(s); and safe entry into the country(s) is ensured (you must check entry restrictions regarding both: travel from Japan and travel from the transit country(s)).
  4. There are no restrictions placed for travelers' activities in your destination country(s)\*1, such as no restrictions on travel inside the country(s) or no mandatory travelers' self-quarantine for a prolonged period; and you have ensured that you can carry on the activities you had planned for (attending conference(s), enrolling in academic program(s), conducting research, or participating in traineeship(s) or internship(s), etc.).
  5. You have secured safe accommodation for your stay in your destination country(s).
  6. You have ensured that there are nearby medical service providers/hospitals where you can receive medical services if you get ill while abroad. In addition, you have purchased a necessary insurance plan(s).
  7. You have received consent from your parents/family members/relatives for your travel, who will be your guarantor(s) on the pledge which you will submit prior to your travel.

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**[Following conditions are not applicable for overseas dispatches to attend academic conferences/international meetings]**

8. Regarding the host institution(s), you have ensured that lectures are conducted as usual for the program you had planned to enroll in, research at the laboratory(s) is conducted as usual; in other words, the learning environment, in which you can carry out the activities for your study abroad/overseas dispatch purpose, is arranged at the host institution.
9. You have ensured that if the situation worsens while abroad, such as the risk level(s) of your destination country(s) increases again to Level 2 or higher according to the MOFA's Infectious Disease Risk Information, you can receive support from your host institution(s) or supervisor(s).

\*1: For each country's restrictions on travelers' activities, refer to the following MOFA's web page or each country's embassy web site, etc.

[MOFA web page] [https://www.anzen.mofa.go.jp/covid19/pdfhistory\\_world.html](https://www.anzen.mofa.go.jp/covid19/pdfhistory_world.html)

- ◆ When students travel overseas, the supervisor(s) of the student (or the dean of the faculty for undergraduate students who do not have a supervisor) must ensure the above conditions are fulfilled until 2 weeks prior to the student's travel, and submit "Confirmation for Overseas Dispatch/Study Abroad" along with "Pledge for Overseas Dispatch/Study Abroad" to the affiliated Student Support Office, Educational Affairs Section.
- ◆ Contents of these guidelines are applicable while the risk levels of MOFA's Infectious Disease Risk Information on travel to certain countries/regions decrease to Level 1 (while the risk levels due to the COVID-19 spread are Level 2 or 3, newly planned overseas dispatches/study abroad will be cancelled. If the restrictions on travelers become relaxed and if there are countries/regions to which the risk levels are no longer applicable, we will consider to amend these guidelines).