

# WHO WE ARE

Our mission is to support the health, safety, and security of University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign students, faculty, and staff traveling internationally on university programs or for university business.

International Safety and Security is a unit of Illinois International and reports to the Vice Provost for International Affairs and Global Strategies.

# WHAT WE DO

- Provide comprehensive incident response 24/7 to students, faculty, and staff abroad.
- Work closely with offices across campus to maintain university policies related to international travel.
- Manage international insurance enrollment and assistance.
- Provide training for students, faculty, and staff.
- Review travel for high-risk destinations and consult on specific health, safety and security information and concerns.

# CONTACT US

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# International Safety and Security

# INSURANCE, SAFETY & WELLNESS

International Safety and Security manages enrollment in the university's international insurance, which covers medical expenses, physical/mental health treatments, emergency medical or security evacuation, and offers a 24-hour assistance line as well as teledoc services.

All students traveling abroad on university activities must enroll in international insurance. Most will be automatically enrolled if their program is pre-approved. Faculty and staff are encouraged to register and will be covered without cost: [safetyabroad.illinois.edu/insurance/register/](https://safetyabroad.illinois.edu/insurance/register/)

Travelers should also visit our website for more safety and wellness tips: [safetyabroad.illinois.edu/safety-wellness/general-tips/](https://safetyabroad.illinois.edu/safety-wellness/general-tips/)

## BEFORE GOING ABROAD

- Use the international insurance to find and schedule appointments abroad as well as check the legality of your medications and arrange prescriptions in-country.
- Thoroughly research your destination country's history, culture, laws, and demographics.
- Create a communication plan with your family and friends.

## WHILE YOU ARE ABROAD

- Use the international insurance to seek mental or physical health care locally. You can also request remote teleconsultation or mental health counseling.
- Understand how local culture, laws, and legal systems vary; consider your actions and how locals may interpret them.
- Consider the risks of alcohol/drug use; never go out alone; drink responsibly and have a plan; always watch your drinks.
- Remain vigilant; inform others if something does not seem right; trust your safety instincts.

# TRAINING & RESOURCES

The International Safety and Security team provides pre-departure orientation and workshops for students, faculty, and staff.

Leaders of short-term education abroad programs, or other university-related student travel abroad, must attend at least one workshop a year.

Visit our website homepage to view the calendar of upcoming trainings, watch pre-departure training videos, access important documents, and much more: [safetyabroad.illinois.edu](https://safetyabroad.illinois.edu)



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**In the event of a life, limb, eyesight, or other significant emergency, seek immediate medical care at the closest hospital or medical facility.** When able, please contact the University of Illinois Police Department using the emergency contact number above to be linked



**International Insurance:** [safetyabroad.illinois.edu/insurance/coverage/](https://safetyabroad.illinois.edu/insurance/coverage/)

**McKinley Health Center Travel Clinic: +1 (217) 333-2701**

**Center for Disease Control & Prevention:** [cdc.gov](https://cdc.gov)



**Smart Traveler Enrollment Program:** [step.state.gov](https://step.state.gov)

**U.S. Department of State:** [state.gov](https://state.gov)



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