UCI International Opportunities Program (IOP)

Student Participation
In Countries with U.S. State Department Travel Advisories

The safety and security of UCI students abroad is of the utmost importance. While we encourage students to participate in educational opportunities throughout the world, when there are recognized regional dangers, instabilities, or severe health risks, we strongly recommend that UCI students not participate in IOP in the specified areas. U.S. State Department Travel Advisories are online at: https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/traveladvisories/traveladvisories.html

Prospective IOP participants are advised not to enter countries or regions with an existing U.S. State Department Travel Advisory of Level 3 or 4. More specifically, for Level 3 countries, students may obtain permission only after a review by committee, while Level 4 designation countries cannot be appealed. All students should read the State Department Travel Advisories for their country destination. The following forms are required:

- All IOP participants are required to sign a Waiver of Liability as part of the IOP forms prior to departure.

- IOP participants choosing to participate on a program in a country with a current U.S. State Department Travel Advisory of level 3 are also required to sign the IOP Safety Instructions and Risk Acknowledgement. Obtain this form from your IOP Advisor.

When a Travel Advisory level is raised to a 3 or 4 after an IOP program has commenced we will advise IOP students in the region about the Travel Advisory. We will strongly encourage UCI students to withdraw from their IOP program and leave the area covered by the Travel Advisory even if their program continues to operate.