

Syracuse Abroad International Travel Policy - Spring 2022 - United Kingdom 2/14/22

At present, the United Kingdom has effectively removed most Covid-19 restrictions on international travel but remain subject to sudden change. Specific and up-to-date regulations may be found here: https://www.gov.uk/guidance/travel-to-england-from-another-country-during-coronavirus-covid-19

Further, the European Union has revised travel guidance to alter regulations regarding travel within the bloc (See COVID-19: Council adopts a revised recommendation on measures affecting free movement, based on the individual situation of persons and no longer on the region of origin). Going forward, eligibility for unrestricted travel will be based on an individual's vaccination status rather than on a county's infection rate or similar virus-based metrics. In short, if someone is fully vaccinated/boosted and carries appropriate documentation then travel across borders within the bloc will become more reasonable to manage.

Thus, effective February 21, 2022, students studying with Syracuse Abroad in London may travel for personal reasons at their discretion and at their own risk within the European Economic Area (EEA), Switzerland, and to their home country under the following conditions:

- Travel continues to carry the risk of infection with Covid-19. Thus, Syracuse Abroad continues to
 recommend that you confine travel to the United Kingdom where program staff are best able to support
 you should you be required to self-isolate.
- Students whose home institution is not Syracuse University are subject to the travel policy of their
 institution as well as that of Syracuse Abroad. Please confirm that your school approves international
 travel beyond your host country before proceeding.
- For the purposes of this policy, travel is allowed to countries in the EEA, Switzerland, and to the student's home country. See: Countries in the EU and EEA GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)
- At this time, travel is NOT permitted outside the EEA, Switzerland, and the student's home country.
- Travel regulations/restrictions may change at any time, without notice. Students are responsible for staying up-to-date with emerging travel requirements.
- The student is solely responsible for monitoring travel requirements for their planned destinations. Since the United Kingdom is no longer part of the European Union, travellers from the UK may face complications traveling within the bloc. While program staff will assist in providing available information on travel restrictions, the student is responsible for being aware of the most up-to-date requirements.
- Should students elect to travel independently, they must follow the specific process provided by the London Center.
- Syracuse Abroad is not financially responsible for any costs associated with the disruption of
 independent travel including all expenses associated with isolation or quarantine (e.g., fees for flight or
 hotel changes/cancelations arising from independent travel). <u>Students are solely responsible for all
 costs incurred during independent travel</u>.
- Should a student be isolated or quarantined due to independent travel, they will be expected to maintain
 assigned academic work consistent with local program policy and process. It is the student's
 responsibility to contact faculty and make arrangements.