Guidance for students, faculty, and staff returning to campus after travel outside the U.S.

Consistent with CDC guidance, Iowa State University students, faculty, and staff who have traveled outside of the United States should self-quarantine for 14 days upon arrival to the United States. This guidance has several implications for Iowa State’s fall 2020 semester.

Any student coming from abroad planning to live in university housing
Any student coming from abroad must self-quarantine for 14 days from the date of arrival in the U.S. prior to starting any in-person activities on campus.

- Domestic students returning from abroad are expected to complete their self-quarantine at home and should not come to campus or attend classes during their self-quarantine period.
- International students planning to live in university housing will be able to complete their self-quarantine period in temporary university housing and may then move into their assigned residence hall room or apartment following completion of their quarantine.

All students will be tested when they arrive at ISU housing. Students should not attend in-person activities, including class, during their quarantine period.

Any student coming from abroad living off-campus
Any student coming from abroad who will be living off-campus should plan to arrive at least 14 days before their first in-person activity in order to complete their self-quarantine period at an off-campus location. Students should not attend in-person activities, including class, during their quarantine period.

Faculty and staff returning from abroad
ISU faculty and staff returning from international travel should not come to campus until they have completed their 14-day self-quarantine period.

Beginning fall classes remotely
Some international students may not be able to arrive on campus in time to complete their 14-day quarantine before classes begin August 17. Likewise, domestic students may arrive late to campus after completing their self-quarantine at home. Students in these situations should not go to class during their self-quarantine period. Instead, students should contact their instructors and/or academic adviser prior to the start of classes to discuss how to begin the semester remotely, or make other arrangements to complete required coursework.

US travel restrictions
The United States is currently prohibiting travelers who are arriving from certain countries. If you travel from or transit through these countries you may be denied entry. The CDC maintains a list here: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/travelers/from-other-countries.html