Safety measures checklist for students traveling abroad





Overseas travel safety instructions and guidance



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Safety information	1	Have you instructed the student(s) to check safety information on their destination(s) through the website "Overseas Travel Safety Information" operated by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MOFA) Japan (http://www.anzen.mofa.go.jp/) or other similar sources?	
	2	Have you instructed the student(s) to read materials on safety measures for overseas travel? Have you instructed the student(s) to collect safety information (such as public security, infectious diseases and natural disasters) on destination(s) and to become familiar with local laws and regulations, religions, culture and customs? [Notes] • Examples of materials on safety measures include "Student Guide to Study Abroad" (issued by Kyoto University), A Guide to Study Abroad ("Kaigai ryugaku no passport", issued by Kyoto Prefecture), and safety booklets issued by MOFA Japan such as "Kaigai Anzen Toranomaki" (Essential Safety Tips for Overseas Travel). • Examples of safety information sources include travel safety information issued by national governments and local media coverage.	



Procedures

Documents to be submitted	3	Have all documents required for travel been submitted? Examples of required documents: overseas travel notification (<i>Kaigai toko todoke</i>), travel insurance certificate (copy), passport (copy), itinerary (copy), vaccination certificate (copy), field study plan, parental consent, pledge.	
	4	Have you instructed the student(s) to purchase a travel insurance ? Have you confirmed the subscription status? [Note] An insurance plan with unlimited coverage for medial treatment and relief expenses is strongly recommended.	
Travel insurance Crisis	5	Have you instructed the student(s) to share the details of the coverage of the travel insurance with their family? (For instance, giving a copy of the insurance certificate to his/her family.)	
management support agency	6	If your department has contract with a crisis management support agency (such as IR&C) , have you registered the the student(s)' travel information to the agency and given a "registration certificate" to the student(s)?	
	7	Have you explained the 24-hour emergency contact available through the insurance company/crisis management support agency to the student(s)? Have you instructed the student(s) to share the points of 24-hour emergency contact with their family?	
Tabi-regi residence notification	8	(For Japanese nationals) Have you instructed the student(s) that Japanese nationals are recommended to enroll in "Tabi-regi" (https://www.ezairyu.mofa.go.jp/tabireg/)? In case their travel schedule is not yet confirmed, it is recommended to enroll in "Kan-i (Tentative) Tabi-reji". Have you instructed the student(s) that a Japanese who may reside abroad for 3 months or longer is obliged to submit a notification of residence to the local embassy/consulate of Japan on arriving at his/her destination? (Passport Act, Article 16) [Note] Safety information on travel destinations is distributed to travelers who enroll in "Tabi-reji" or "Kan-i Tabi-reji" from the date of such enrollment. Accordingly, travelers are recommended to enroll promptly after they determine travel destinations. (For non-Japanese nationals) Have you instructed the student(s) that non-Japanese nationals may enroll in "Tabi-reji" to obtain updated information on travel safety from MOFA Japan, but they are advised to enroll in safety information and alert notification systems of their own countries (if any)? Have you instructed the student(s) to confirm their countries' laws and regulations on residence abroad (such as residence notification)?	



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Have you confirmed visa requirements of the student(s)? Have you confirmed if the student(s) has obtained the necessary visa(s)?	
(For multiple entries into a country) Have you instructed the student(s) to confirm the procedures of entry/exit/re-entry of destination country(ies)? (For non-Japanese nationals) Have you provided the student(s) guidance with the special re-entry permission procedures at the time of leaving and re-entering Japan?	
Have you instructed the student(s) to confirm vaccination(s) required by destination country(ies) or recommended by the Quarantine Information Office, the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare of Japan (https://www.forth.go.jp/index.html), World Health Organization	



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Prepare for emergencies / Update safety information

Have you instructed the student(s) to notify Kyoto University whenever they make any

changes to travel plans? Have you instructed the student(s) to notify Kyoto University when

traveling out of the country/region of their host institutions during their studying abroad such

(WHO) (http://www.who.int/), etc.?

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Emergency contact list	13	Have you instructed the student(s) to prepare an emergency contact list in Japan and abroad, and to share it with their family and pertinent office(s) of Kyoto University prior to their departure, and to take the list with them when traveling abroad?	
	14	Have you informed the student(s) of Kyoto University's emergency contact information ? Have you instructed the student(s) to first secure their own lives and physical safety and then promptly report to a pertinent office/person in charge at Kyoto University in case of emergency?	
	15	Have you explained to the student(s) the importance of asking for help from diplomatic establishments (such as an embassy) if they are in a situation where their lives and physical safety are threatened? Have you instructed the student(s) to confirm the location and contact information of diplomatic establishments in their destination country(ies)? Embassies and consulates can provide 24-hour rescue services in the events of emergencies.	
Means of communication	16	Have you instructed the student(s) to always secure a means of communication with Kyoto University, and confirmed their contact information?	
Health management	17	Have you instructed the student(s) to check the information on health and infectious diseases of their destination through the website of the Quarantine Information Office, the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare of Japan (https://www.forth.go.jp/index.html), World Health Organization (WHO) (http://www.who.int/), etc.?	
	18	Have you instructed the student(s) to confirm hospitals and advanced medical care hospitals where medical expenses incurred would be covered under their insurance? Have you also instructed them to confirm means of transportation to these hospitals?	
Change in the safety situation	19	Have you explained actions to be taken when the safety situation of a destination country deteriorates (e.g. when the level of MOFA Japan's travel advice and warning is raised) to the student(s)?	
Being up to date on safety information	20	Have you established a system to collect safety information on the student(s)' destination country(ies), thereby stay updated on pertinent safety information? For instance, you can receive safety information by enrolling in "Kan-i (Tententive) Tabi-regi" offered by MOFA Japan or "STEP" (Smart Traveler Enrollment Program) offered by U.S. Department of State.	
Responsive Communication channel	21	Do you have a responsive communication channel to promptly contact related parties in the student(s)' destination country(ies) (universities, research institutions, etc.) in case of emergencies?	





