NOTE: Please return all forms to the Global Health Office, E118 Grover Center or scan and send to globalhealth@ohio.edu.

For your protection while traveling, please follow these steps to have your trip reviewed and registered with HCOM and OU.* Experiences in countries/areas with Level 4 State Department Warnings will not be approved. Travel to countries with Level 2 & 3 warnings and International SOS Ratings of medium or higher may require additional review. Information on current State Department travel alerts can be found at: https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/International-Travel-Country-Information-Pages.html. You can access International SOS by going to https://www.internationalsos.com/ and entering the member number 11BCAS000010 at the top of the page.

To have your travel reviewed and registered:

- Complete the **Travel Registration Packet** available from globalhealth@ohio.edu and return to the Global Health Office at the address noted above. We will forward to the Office of Global Opportunities. This packet will take you through the steps to register your travel with the Department of State and to apply for international health and evacuation insurance.
  - Enroll in the Smart Traveler Enrollment Program (STEP) with the U.S. Dept. of State (embassy) at https://step.state.gov/step/. Under the Privacy Act Information section, please mark “Others” and include the following in the space provided for waiver comments: Also contact the Ohio University Global Opportunities Office, (740-593-4583), globalopportunities@ohio.edu and Global Health Initiative (740-593-2359, globalhealth@ohio.edu), E118 Grover Center, Athens, OH 45701. Complete the Confirmation of Embassy registration in the Travel Registration Packet.
  - All participants are provided with international **health and evacuation insurance** (including medical evacuation to the nearest appropriate facility and repatriation of remains). Completing the application included in the Travel Registration Packet will enroll you in this insurance.

- Fully complete the Supplemental Application provided with the Travel Registration Packet and return to the Global Health Office.

- Review and sign the **Guidelines for Ethical Practice** provided with the Travel Registration Packet and return to the Global Health Office.

- All documents will be reviewed by the Global Health Office and you will be notified by e-mail if you need to provide additional information.

- Follow the steps that follow to complete preparations for your trip.

**Trip Preparation:**

- Obtain the necessary country **visa** as appropriate. Country specific information on visas is available at the U.S. Dept. of State website at https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel.html. Non-US citizens can check at https://www.ohio.edu/goglobal/students/international.

- Obtain immunizations as recommended by CDC guidelines (http://www.cdc.gov) and your healthcare provider and provide documentation to Global Health Office. Obtain a **TB test within 2 months of departure and provide documentation** to the Global Health Office.
Provide a copy of your travel itinerary to the Global Health Office as part of the Travel Registration Packet.

Send a legible copy of your passport information/photo page to the Global Health Office as part of the Travel Registration Packet.

Successfully complete the Bobcats Abroad Online Modules in Blackboard – information on how to access these modules will be sent to you by the Global Health Office upon receipt of your travel packet.

We want to hear from you!

While you are away, link to a blog, post a photo or status update on our Facebook page at: https://www.facebook.com/OUGlobalHealth

Upon return, we can help you schedule a presentation to your peers, just contact us at globalhealth@ohio.edu.

Upon Completion of Program:

Complete an evaluation of your experience. You will be sent an evaluation link by e-mail.

Send results of post-trip TB test at 10 weeks to the Global Health Office.

*Additional notes on independent opportunities:

Year 1 and 2 students do not receive any credit for participating and are NOT covered under OU-HCOM malpractice insurance. However, we recommend that you obtain international malpractice insurance through the Academic Group.

Suggested Readings/Videos to Review Prior to Travel:

Global Health Ethics & Considerations

https://vimeo.com/22008886 - First, Do No Harm


Photography Ethics:

http://www.uniteforsight.org/volunteer-abroad/photo-ethics
