

## **Pre-departure Obligations for Students Participating in International Activities**

1. Students going abroad for programs other than faculty-led, field trip, student groups, exchange, or provider must register in the Education Abroad portal if one or more of the following applies:
  - Receiving credit (TAMU or transfer) for the experience
  - Receiving any support from a TAMU entity (e.g. funding or arranging experience)
  - Satisfying a degree or graduation requirement (e.g. requirement for international certificate or dissertation research)
2. Registering in the Education Abroad portal includes providing emergency contact information, obtaining travel/medical insurance, and registering with the U.S. State Department prior to departure.
3. Students receiving academic credit for college-sanctioned or sponsored research, internships, service-learning, or case competitions abroad must be registered in the appropriate course for the semester in which the experience occurs.
4. All departments need to have oversight guidelines for students conducting an independent research or internship experience abroad that incorporates a statement to the effect “I will register my international experience in Texas A&M’s Education Abroad portal prior to my departure abroad.”
5. Students traveling to countries on TAMU’s [Country Travel Advisory List](#) must receive additional approval through TAMU Risk Management to receive approval to travel to their desired destination. Education Abroad will facilitate this process.

For additional information regarding pre-departure obligations, please contact the Center for International Business Studies at 979-845-5234 or [cibs@mays.tamu.edu](mailto:cibs@mays.tamu.edu).