

MEMORANDUM

TO: All Faculty and Staff

FROM: Robert Pompey, Vice Chancellor – Business and Finance

SUBJECT: Travel during COVID-19 Pandemic – Fall 2021

DATE: August 10, 2021

Guidelines for Travel during COVID-19 – Effective Fall 2021

Due to the fewer incidences of the Coronavirus and Governor Cooper's executive order relaxing some of the restrictions, the University will also relax some of the restrictions regarding travel. The purpose of this memorandum is to establish consistent guidelines for international & domestic travel as we continue to combat the COVID-19 pandemic. The UNC system has not lifted all the restrictions on travel.

International Travel during COVID-19

As the severity of COVID-19 conditions still vary internationally, foreign travel remains restricted to travel approved by the Chancellor, the Provost, or the Chancellor's designee(s) upon determination that the foreign travel is essential for academic research or university business. In the limited instances where foreign travel is approved, university personnel should follow the latest CDC guidance on international travel and continue to monitor and follow U.S. Department of State restrictions.

Domestic Travel during COVID-19

All faculty, staff, and students requesting travel approval are required to complete an attestation form confirming their current vaccination status.

Vaccinated Faculty, Staff Members and Students

- May travel domestically if fully vaccinated with one of the FDA authorized or World Health Organization authorized vaccines
- COVID-19 testing is not required before or after travel unless your destination requires it OR unless you have symptoms
- Follow all safety precautions: Wear your mask, wash your hands, and avoid large crowds
- Self-monitor for COVID-19 symptoms; isolate and get tested if you develop symptoms.

Non-Vaccinated Faculty, Staff Members and Students

- The Centers for Disease Control and prevention recommends that you do not travel if you have not been fully vaccinated because of the potential for contracting and spreading COVID-19
- May travel domestically with a negative COVID-19 test result 1-3 days prior to travel

- Must observe social distancing, mask wearing, and other disease mitigation efforts during travel.
 - Must quarantine for 7 days after travel to self-monitor for COVID-19 symptoms and obtain a 2nd negative COVID-19 test 3-5 days after travel.
 - Avoid contact with those at high risk for serious illness
- ❖ After travel: Self-monitor for COVID-19 symptoms; isolate and get tested if you develop symptoms.

Coronavirus also known as COVID-19 has been declared a universal pandemic by the World Health Organization and is impacting the USA, at a rapid pace in our cities and communities

COVID-19 is an extremely contagious virus and continues to spread through person-to-person contact. Although the university has instituted reasonable practices in an attempt to prevent the spread of COVID19, North Carolina A&T State University does not declare that employees will never experience exposure to the COVID virus or contract any related illnesses. Undertaking travel could increase your risk of contracting COVID-19.

Your immediate obligation is to review and comply with all federal, state, or local travel restrictions or requirements related to COVID19 that apply to your travel destination. Please review all travel guidance and advisories for your destination, including the Centers for Disease Control's "Considerations for Travelers" resource(s) at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/testing/index.html>, prior to your travel.

The CDC, state and local health departments continuously review and update perspectives relative to the coronavirus and its impact. As a result, NC A&T reserves the right to restrict your travel if necessary to protect you and the health and safety of others.

Further, primarily based on your travel destination, and governmental order and guidance, NC A&T may restrict access to the campus community for an undetermined time following your return trip as a precautionary measure of possible COVID-19 transmission or factors.