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To: Students, Faculty, and Staff

Graduate School of Arts and Sciences  
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## Notification Regarding Overseas Travel

The number of cases of infection with the novel coronavirus COVID-19 is increasing throughout the world, and the World Health Organization has characterized the situation as a global pandemic. In light of this rapidly evolving situation, all students, faculty, and staff are asked to refrain from all overseas travel for the time being.

Faculty and researchers who have already received approval from the Graduate School or the university for sabbaticals or projects to be conducted overseas are asked to reconsider carefully whether those trips are really necessary, especially after weighing the risks that might arise under these quickly changing conditions and the fact that they would have to take responsibility for those risks themselves.

If a faculty member decides to delay his or her sabbatical period and the necessary adjustments can be made by the affiliated departments, then the Graduate School and College will respond flexibly. Furthermore, faculty members who are planning future sabbaticals may proceed with the procedures for requesting sabbaticals within their departments.

Precautions related to the COVID-19 outbreak are summarized below. Please continue to monitor the latest information and to manage your health and safety carefully.

### (1) Infection risk levels

The following sites contain the latest information about infection risk levels. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs has designated all parts of the world as Level 2 or above. The decision to issue this notification about overseas travel is made by the Graduate School and College; even if the government recommendations are relaxed in the future, this notification may not automatically be relaxed.

MOFA's Overseas Safety site (in Japanese)

<https://www.anzen.mofa.go.jp/>

MOFA's Overseas Travel Registration Service (in Japanese; for Japanese citizens)

<https://www.ezairyu.mofa.go.jp/>

### (2) Restrictions on entry and/or activities after entry for travelers from Japan

Some countries and regions have placed restrictions on the entry and/or activities after entry for travelers from Japan. The situation is in flux now, so please check with the relevant government websites or embassies in Tokyo.

### (3) Quarantine and health monitoring after returning to Japan

The Japanese government requires that travelers entering from countries covered by Japan's quarantine restrictions stay for 14 days in a location designed by the quarantine officials and not use public transportation. The number of countries covered by these regulations is steadily increasing, so please check the latest information. Furthermore, regardless of the specific countries designed by the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare, the Graduate School and College require that all students, faculty, and staff entering Japan from overseas stay home for 14 days, monitor their health, and not come to the university. Your cooperation in this regard will be greatly appreciated.

MHLW site about enhanced border restrictions (in Japanese)

[https://www.mhlw.go.jp/stf/seisakunitsuite/bunya/0000121431\\_00098.html](https://www.mhlw.go.jp/stf/seisakunitsuite/bunya/0000121431_00098.html)

Request to faculty, staff, and students entering Japan from overseas (official notification from Graduate School and College on March 20, 2020) (in Japanese)

[http://www.c.u-tokyo.ac.jp/topics/files/covid19\\_0303-20.pdf](http://www.c.u-tokyo.ac.jp/topics/files/covid19_0303-20.pdf)