**Checklist for International Travel Considerations for Student Travel**

All students must complete the following steps prior to departure (all others are encouraged and sometimes required to do so as well):

* Queen's University has partnered with **International SOS**[**(ISOS)**](http://queensuca.sharepoint.com/sites/EHS-ESP) to provide out-of-country emergency assistance for all Queen's community members traveling on university-sanctioned activities. Access the [**International SOS (ISOS) webpage**](http://queensuca.sharepoint.com/sites/EHS-ESP) for the Queen's Membership number and details. Before you depart you need to:
* Confirm that you have adequate out-of-country health insurance coverage, trip cancellation insurance, property insurance, etc. with your insurance provider. This should include emergency medical evacuation back to your home country if necessary.
* Learn if you need to get specific immunizations for travel to (or through) your host country or countries. [**DrugSmart Pharmacy**](https://www.drugsmartpharmacy.ca/travel-clinic/), located in the ARC, operates a travel medical clinic under the direction of Dr. Jay Keystone, a world-renowned expert on tropical medicine and senior author of the textbook Travel Medicine.
* Register as a Canadian abroad at [**travel.gc.ca/travelling/registration**](https://travel.gc.ca/travelling/registration)  OR with your country of citizenship, if you are traveling on a non-Canadian passport.
* Consider an [**Emergency Action Plan**](https://webpublish.queensu.ca/ehswww/sites/webpublish.queensu.ca.ehswww/files/files/OCASP/Emergency%20Action%20Plan.pdf)(PDF 165 KB)
* Research your host country/culture prior to departure using the [**Global Affairs Canada (GAC) Country Profiles**](https://travel.gc.ca/travelling/advisories) and the [**International SOS portal.**](https://www.internationalsos.com/members_home/login/login.cfm)
* Complete, submit and receive approval for the Off-Campus Activity Safety Policy (OCASP) Safety Planning Record which includes the on-line Pre-Departure Orientation.
* **Cannabis Legalization** -  On October 17, 2018, recreational cannabis became legal in Canada. This, however, did not change Canada’s border rules. Taking cannabis or any product containing cannabis across Canada’s international borders is illegal and can result in serious criminal penalties both at home and abroad. This is the case even if you are travelling to places that have legalized or decriminalized cannabis. Transporting cannabis used for medical purposes is also illegal. The federal government provides detailed information on [**cannabis and international travel**](https://travel.gc.ca/travelling/cannabis-and-international-travel).

For more information on facilitating University-sanctioned off-campus activities please visit the [OCASP Website](http://www.queensu.ca/risk/safety/OCASP) or contact [ehssa@queensu.ca](file:///C%3A%5CUsers%5Cjefferss%5CDownloads%5Cehssa%40queensu.ca)