

# Penn's COVID-19 Group Travel Guidance

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# Where we are today

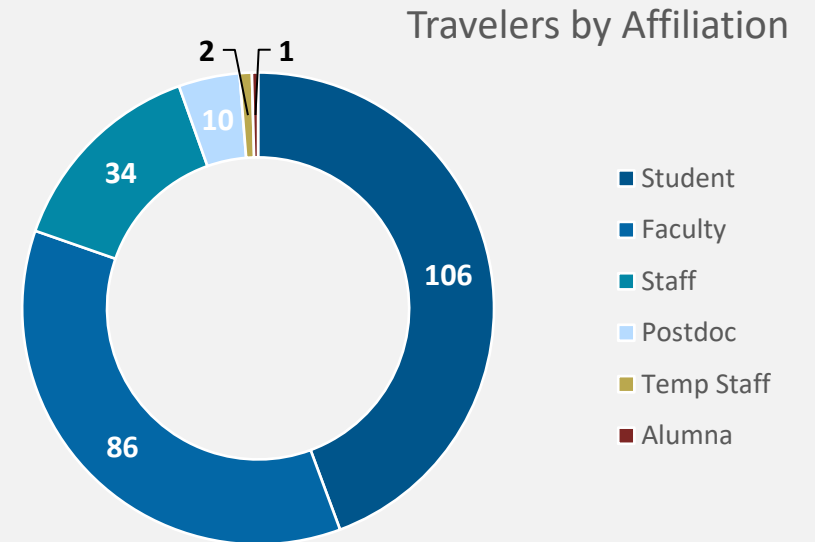
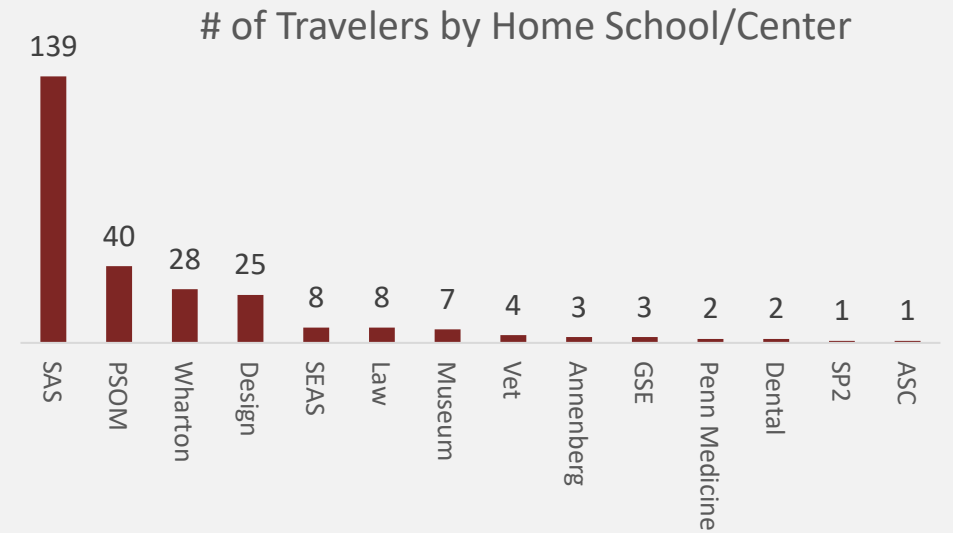
Travel Petition Data (a/o 8/31/21)

**271** Approved Petitions

**283** Petitions Received

**239** # of Travelers<sup>^</sup>

**208** International Trips\*



# The Current Travel Policy

Penn **under RESTRICTED** travel guidance

COVID-19 Vaccination **required for ALL**  
Penn-affiliated travel

Onus of individuals to be aware of [Public Health](#)  
guidance when on campus or traveling

All Penn-affiliated **international travel** must be  
registered in [MyTrips](#).



# The Current Travel Policy (con't)

Faculty & Staff: NO PETITION NEEDED (as of 9/7/21)

Students and Group Travel: PETITION REQUIRED for Countries Level 3 or 4

Travelers with Approved Petition to sign [Assumption of Risk and Release from Liability Form w/ Attestation](#)

Updates to Insurance coverage including Cancellation for Any Reason

[Guidance Checklist for Group Travel Developed](#)



# Mandatory Registration

Pre-approved access to Medical & Security assistance

Increased Ease of registration:

- Forward Itinerary capability
- Registration by Delegate capability
- UPCOMING: Direct feed from World Travel Booking

**Be Safe. Be Connected. Be Covered.**





# Group Travel

Group travel: **≥5 individuals following the same itinerary**

Groups may travel domestically or to countries rated [CDC Level 1 and Level 2](#) **without a petition.**

Groups required to **submit petition** for travel to countries rated [CDC Level 3 and Level 4.](#)

Groups are expected to make themselves aware and **abide by all state, local, tribal, & territorial government restrictions** in destination and upon return to Penn's campus.

Groups must also **follow local directives** regarding social distancing, face coverings, and other health and safety precautions.





# Checklist for Group Administrators

All group travelers complete PennOpen Pass

Create flexible itinerary

Arrange for additional trip leaders

Arrange for itinerary that adheres to COVID guidance:

e.g.: outside meetings, social distancing, single occupancy accommodations *(if/when possible)*

Review destination and U.S. entry requirements

Ask travelers to review & sign Assumption of Risk and Release of Liability **\*NEW**





# Group Travel Booking with Business Services

[Group Travel and Events Arrangement](#)

[Group Travel and Events Dashboard](#)

[Higher Education Travel Request Form](#)



# Insurance Updates

## Eligibility

Faculty, staff, students, & “subscriber-approved guests”  
< age of 85

Spouses & dependent children

Must be traveling on [Penn-affiliated](#) international trip

## Registration

Register in [MyTrips](#)

Individual: Manual or Forward Your Itinerary

Group: Submit Spreadsheet

Contact ISOS for advice, referral and appointments



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INSURANCE COMPANIES

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INTERNATIONAL  
SOS

The logo for International SOS features the words "INTERNATIONAL" and "SOS" in a bold, blue, sans-serif font. The text is positioned to the left of a large, blue, curved swoosh that arches over the text.

# Insurance Updates – Summary of Benefits

## Medical Expense \$500,000

No Co-Pay / No Deductible

Does NOT cover well visits, routine care or maintenance medications

Pre-existing conditions covered ONLY if symptoms worsen during travel

Mental healthcare covered

Dental Injury/Pain (\$1,000)

## Evacuation & Repatriation \$500,000

Medical

Security

Natural Disaster

Repatriation of Remains \$500,000

Accidental Death & Dismemberment  
\$200,000 \*NEW\*

Baggage Delay (\$500 per day; 5 day max)

Emergency Reunion/Family Reunion  
(\$5,000)

Return of Minor Children (\$5,000)

Trip Interruption (\$5,000) \*NEW\*

Trip Delay with Quarantine (\$5,000; 12 hours, 14 day max) \*NEW

# Insurance Updates

## Added NEW Features

Age Limit 85

Max Annual Travel Days 365

Sojourn Travel 14 days

Family Reunion Benefit after 3-day Hospital Stay

Home Country Extension of Benefits 6 months

Covered for visiting home country on Penn-affiliated trip (outside of U.S.)

U.S. Territories covered

Evacuation coverage when  $> =100$  miles from home/campus

Unlimited Outpatient Mental Health Sessions

## What's NOT Included

Routine Physical Examinations

Routine Dental Care

Routine Pregnancy Care

Cosmetic Surgery / Acne Treatment

Elective Treatment

Birth Control

Maintenance Medication/Administration of Maintenance Medication

Trip Cancellation

Pandemic Evacuation

COVID testing (unless ordered by a doctor)

# Cancellation for Any Reason Insurance

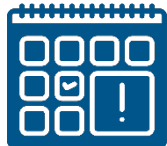


Reimburses up to 75% of NON-REFUNDABLE travel expenses



Cost

Student - \$59.00/round trip | Faculty - \$84.00/round trip



Estimate due on 20th of month prior to new quarter (*i.e. Sept. 20th*)

Destination Countries

Dates of Travel

Number of Students/Faculty/Staff

Total Cost Paid by Students

Total Cost Paid by Penn



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# Questions

Open discussion for AY 21/22 Group Travel

Working with CITRA to plan Group Travel

