Summer Travel Reminders

Travelers should seek to identify and weigh the risks associated with international travel based on their personal circumstances.



During the summer, ISSS will be open during our normal business hours.

- If you plan to leave and re-enter the U.S. this summer, be sure you have all the re-entry documents: valid passport, visa stamp, Form I-20, DS-2019, or I-797.
- If you need a new travel signature, use the travel signature request in iTerp. If you request a new travel signature, remember to download, print and sign before you re-enter the U.S.
- If you are taking a cruise, the cruise officials may want to see your printed and signed I-20/DS-2019 BEFORE you board. Make sure you have the documents needed to re-enter the U.S. after your cruise
- Currently, the only travel restriction (travel ban) in effect is for South Sudan, but travel restrictions for additional
 countries could be imposed based on a January 2025 Executive Order. If any changes are announced, ISSS will
 inform impacted community members.
- Please be aware that social media posts may be reviewed as part of the visa application or re-entry process.

Domestic Travel

In the Maryland, D.C., Virginia area: You should always have your I-94 record available (on your phone or carry a print out). By law, foreign nationals 18 years and older are required to carry proof of their immigration status ("registration") with them.

Some distance from the Maryland, D.C., Virginia area: You should bring the following original documents on your trip: Passport, I-20, DS-2019, or I-797 (printed and signed), printout of your most recent electronic Form I-94.

If you have an Immigration Emergency

If you have an immigration emergency, please contact Sue Dougherty, ISSS Director, (301) 314-1713. For all other emergencies please contact UMD Public Safety and ask to be put in contact with the ISSS. UMD Public Safety can be reached at 301.405.3333.

Emergency Card

Keep this card on you or consider creating a digital version of the card that can be accessed on your phone as well.

Have an emergency? ISSS is here to support you. If you're experiencing an issue with your immigration status, you can: Contact ISSS Director, Susan-Ellis Dougherty at (301) 314-1713 Contact the UMD Police Department at (301) 405-3333, or Send us a message at isss_inquiry@umd.edu.

