

Measures in Consideration of COVID-19  
Overseas Travel from First Semester 2022 onwards

Dear Students and Staff,

As we continue to be subject to the COVID-19 pandemic, the policy of Kanagawa University with regard to overseas travel is, in consideration of the safety of you all and preventing further spread of the virus, as follows,

However, this policy is continually subject to change depending on the global COVID19 situation.

● Overseas travel will be allowed once again from March 2021 onwards in case that the below conditions have been satisfied.

However, with regard to visa issuance restrictions, entry restrictions, activity restrictions in the destination country, please obtain the latest information from the websites of MOFA or the local Japanese embassy/consulate and also appreciate that there may be restrictions imposed on your conduct upon your return to Japan and, in light of this, please adequately consider the necessity of your travel. Also, with regard to your conduct at the university after your return to Japan, please follow the instructions of the Health Service Center of Kanagawa University.

<Overseas Travel by Students>

The danger level and infectious disease danger level for the destination country/region are both Level 1 (take sufficient care) or below as defined by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan. However, with regard to the programs run by this university (exchange program, language study, internships etc.), or in the case of a graduate school student travelling for research purposes with the permission of their academic supervisor, if the infectious disease danger level is Level 2 (do not make any overseas travel that is unnecessary) or Level 3 (do not travel (travel cessation warning)), travel may be permitted depending on the COVID-19 situation at the destination and the control system in place at the Host University (etc.), if the conditions stated in the additional document are satisfied. In addition to the conditions for overseas travel stated in the additional document, any extra conditions considered appropriate to each program must also be satisfied. Check with the department in charge of each program for details.

<Overseas Travel by Staff>

The danger level and infectious disease danger level for the destination country/region are both Level 1 (take sufficient care) or below as defined by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan. However, if travel to a region where the infectious disease danger level is Level 2 (do not make any overseas travel that is unnecessary) or Level 3 (do not travel (travel cessation warning)) is necessary for research or university-related activities, then it may be permitted with the prior approval of the person in charge of your section beforehand, having reported the time period and itinerary, as long as it does not cause disruption to educational activities. If overseas travel has actually been conducted, then after return, you must report to the university doctor and follow all instructions provided.

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Conditions for Overseas Travel by Students  
<Travel to Countries/Regions Designated Level 2 or 3>

1 Destination Country/Region and University

- (1) Infection prevention measures, medical system and route for return to Japan in destination country/region are all in place.
- (2) If visa is necessary, then visa has been issued and the Host University (etc.) has permitted acceptance.
- (3) The Host University (etc.) has sufficient infection prevention measures in place.

2 Points for Approval by Student and Guarantor

- (1) Confirmation that there is sufficient understanding of the risks of illnesses related to COVID-19 and the necessity for taking responsibility in conducting measures to prevent infection, and that the student has no prior conditions etc increasing the risk of a high severity case.
- (2) Student and their guarantor are to take responsibility for any damages or loss incurred as a result of contracting COVID-19.
- (3) If a Return Warning is issued after travel to destination, any directions of local embassy or mission, host university (etc.) and/or Kanagawa University will be followed. Any expenses for urgent return to Japan will be covered by the student.
- (4) Prior confirmation of measures to be taken in the case that COVID-19 infections spreads in the destination country/region.

3 Points for Student to Follow

- (1) Act in accordance with quarantine restrictions in destination country and in Japan upon return.
- (2) Constantly keep in touch with current infection situation in destination country/region and confirm what should be done if COVID-19 is contracted, along with appropriate places for consultation and medical assistance.
- (3) Purchasing a travel insurance policy that includes cover for matters related to COVID-19.
- (4) Have an adequate understanding of any other points relating to crisis management for overseas travel.

<https://www.kanagawa-u.ac.jp/international/overview/crisismanagement/index.html>

4 Vaccination

- (1) For countries/regions where vaccination is required, then these requirements must have been satisfied.
- (2) Even for countries/regions where vaccination is not required, vaccination is highly recommended.