

Updates on Judges' Ruling and Spring Break Travel

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Updates on Travel Advisory Based on Executive Order 13769

Attention International Community,

Some of you have been asking questions about travelling outside the U.S. for Spring Break which is on March 6-11. Yesterday, February 9th federal judges ruled to uphold the Temporary Restraining Order, preventing the government from enforcing Section 3(c) of [Executive Order 13769](#) which restricts travel for individuals from Iran, Iraq, Libya, Somalia, Sudan, Syria, and Yemen for 90 days. [http://www.nafsa.org/Professional Resources/Browse by Interest/International Students and Scholars/Travel Advisory for Nationals of Certain Countries Pursuant to Executive Order 13769/](http://www.nafsa.org/ProfessionalResources/BrowsebyInterest/InternationalStudentsandScholars/TravelAdvisoryforNationalsofCertainCountriesPursuanttoExecutiveOrder13769/)

This means that for now (until the end of the 90-day period which began on January 27) citizens from the 7 effected countries may exit and re-enter the U.S. However, the ISSO recommends that international students and scholars proceed with caution, recognizing that change continues to happen quickly and unexpectedly at times. Also, when travelling within the U.S. it is a good idea to take your immigration documents with you (see list below).

- **Make sure page 2 of your I-20 or page 1 of your DS-2019 has been signed within the past year.** If not, bring it to the ISSO for a signature *at least* 1 week prior to your departure. Please allow 2 business days for full review and signature.
- **If your funding has changed**, please bring a copy of your updated funding letter showing the correct amount and the ISSO will create a new I-20.
- Check to **make sure that your visa and your passport will be valid** on the day you re-enter the U.S. If not, you must extend them accordingly.
- **If your visa has expired** or will expire prior to your re-entry, you will need to apply for a new one. *NOTE: It is currently unclear at the moment whether the [Visa Interview Waiver Program](#) is active or not. Please check at the U.S. consulate you plan to visit so that you can plan accordingly.*

You should be prepared to show...

1. Valid I-20 with recent signature on p.2 or DS-2019 with recent signature on p.1
 2. Valid passport
 3. Proof of financial support
 4. Proof of registration at UNC Charlotte (unofficial transcript from 'My UNC Charlotte') - students only
- Students should take **proof of financial support and registration** with you (unofficial transcript from 'My UNC Charlotte') for your re-entry to the U.S.