

**HAMEL CENTER FOR UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH
International Research Opportunities Program (IROP)
Project Risk Assessment**

Student Name:

Country Proposed for Project:

Project Site or Institution:

- **U.S. Department of State Travel Advisory Rating**

1. At the time of this application, what is the U.S. Department of State Travel Advisory rating for your proposed country? (Go to: <https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/traveladvisories/traveladvisories.html/>)

- **Level 1: Exercise Normal Precautions**
- **Level 2: Exercise Increased Caution**
- **Level 3: Reconsider Travel**
- **Level 4: Do Not Travel**

2. If your destination country is rated as Level 2, 3, or 4, describe the contributing factors listed for the elevated rating. (Note: You will see these factors listed under the Travel Advisory header after the phrase “due to”...)

3. Does the Travel Advisory for your destination country list any areas of increased risk? If so, will any part of your research be conducted in these areas?

Reminder: As noted in the IROP Application Guidelines, UNH policy prohibits student travel and activities, undergraduate and graduate, in countries and areas that the U.S. Department of State rates as **Level 3: Reconsider Travel** or **Level 4: Do Not Travel**. There may be instances when an individual UNH student considers that there is a compelling educational interest to conducting an activity in a Level 3 or Level 4 country or area and that it is possible to mitigate the risks. In these cases, an individual student may petition the International Travel Risk Review Committee (ITRRC) for prior approval. If you want to apply for IROP in a Level 3 or 4 country, review the petition process carefully, as you will be required to complete a petition and have it approved in order to go abroad for IROP. <https://www.unh.edu/global/education-abroad/policies/itrr-committee/travel-approval-policy/student-petition>

II. International SOS Risk Ratings

At the time of this application, what are the International SOS Risk Ratings for your proposed country?

(Go to <https://www.internationalsos.com/>; click on Subscriber Login at top of the page; enter UNH Membership # 11BCAS000009; create an account if you don't already have one; use your name as it appears on your passport and your UNH email address).

- Travel Risks:

- Medical Risks:

- High Travel Risks:
 - If any additional High Travel Risk areas are listed, will any part of your research be conducted in these areas?

III. Project and Site Safety

When completing the sections below, please detail a) any specific health, safety, or security concerns posed by your proposed research country, region, city; and b) your plans to mitigate these risks. Reading through the full country information in the [U.S. Department of State Travel Advisory](#) and the [International SOS Country Guides](#) will help you to answer the questions below.

1. Location(s) of Research

- Please describe the research location(s). Are there any health, safety, or security concerns with your specific research location or facilities? For example, does the laboratory lack basic health or safety equipment, or are there site-specific safety concerns in a neighborhood you will be visiting?

- If there are health or safety concerns, please describe how you propose to mitigate these concerns.

2. Local Transportation

- Please describe mode(s) of transportation you will be taking while in-country.

- Please describe any safety concerns surrounding local transportation (whether public or private).

- Please describe any unusual transportation issues, such as off-road driving, long-distance night driving, poor road conditions, etc.

3. Housing

- Where and at what type of facilities (e.g., apartment, hotel, Airbnb, hostel) will you be staying?

- Will the buildings and rooms have adequate locks and meet basic fire safety needs (e.g., exit access and extinguishers/sprinklers)? If not, please explain local conditions and circumstances.

4. Meals

- Are there any food and water health/safety issues at the research location(s)? If yes, please describe.

5. Student Risk Factors

- Will you need inoculations, immunizations, or be required to take prophylactic medications for your destination country? (This information is available in the International SOS Country Guides.) If yes, please describe.

- Will there be any high-risk activities included in your research project (e.g., working with hazardous chemicals, scuba diving, conducting in-person interviews in high-crime neighborhoods)? If so, please describe the activities and the safety measures that will be put into place.