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**Subject:** Fall 2021 study abroad decision

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In our [February 8 communication](#), we promised a decision by June 15 regarding Fall 2021 study abroad. After assessing a range of sources and available information regarding travel and the stability of health and safety conditions globally, University of Vermont leadership has determined that it is not appropriate to send a full cohort of UVM students to study abroad this fall semester. As a result, our office is not approving your fall semester study abroad.

We recognize this is very disappointing news. If you would like to defer your study abroad participation and/or discuss study abroad in a future term, please reply to this email. If you would like to schedule an appointment with a study abroad advisor you can do so by [using these Navigate app instructions](#). UVM will make a decision regarding Spring 2022 study abroad participation in mid-October.

You were [advised in February](#) to prepare for this possibility. Therefore, the remaining steps for you to complete will be minimal:

**Notification of program:** If you are enrolled on an external or direct-enroll program, please notify your program/host university of your withdrawal, and notify them if you would like to defer. We will inform exchange partners and ISEP of this cancellation; we will solicit their input on whether deferring to a future term is possible for the program in which you were placed and will notify you once we hear from them.

**Work with your academic advisor (copied here) and/or academic student service's office staff to solidify your course selection and enrollment for fall semester.** Since you registered for fall courses at UVM with the understanding study abroad could be canceled, we hope these steps will be unnecessary or minimal in your situation.

UVM highly values study abroad experiences as part of our students' education, and regrets that the current circumstances require us to take this step.

Sincerely,

Kim Howard

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