



## International Travel Risk Assessment for International Students and Scholars

### A Guide to Addressing Travel Preparedness and Potential Challenges

This guide is designed to help international students and scholars evaluate their risk when considering international travel. By answering the following questions, you can understand whether your travel may be considered high or low risk based on your current circumstances.

Please note that this guide does not constitute legal or immigration advice. Additional factors and other personal circumstances can change your risk levels. For more personalized and detailed guidance, contact [International Services](#).

#### Risk Assessment Chart

| Category                                                                                                   | Yes         | No          |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Are your immigration documents valid, unexpired, and up to date?                                           | Lower Risk  | Higher Risk |
| Have you had encounters with U.S. law enforcement?                                                         | Higher Risk | Lower Risk  |
| Would your <a href="#">online/social media presence</a> raise any concerns?                                | Higher Risk | Lower Risk  |
| Was your home country included on the list countries with <a href="#">travel restrictions</a> to the U.S.? | Higher Risk | Lower Risk  |

*\*Clemson employees with H-1B visas should contact [Lindsey Hill](#), Director of International Services, for guidance on the recent H-1B Proclamation and travel outside the U.S.*

#### How to Use this Chart

1. **Evaluate Your Documents:** Ensure all your immigration documents, such as your visa, passport, and Form I-20 or DS-2019 (for F-1 and J-1 visa holders), I-797 Approval Notice/H-1B visa stamp and/or I-94 record (for H-1B, TN, E-3, or O-1), are valid, unexpired, and up to date. Expired or missing documents may increase your travel risk.
2. **Consider Past Interactions:** Reflect on past encounters with law enforcement in the U.S. or at a U.S. port of entry. Any interactions with law enforcement in the U.S. may contribute to a higher travel risk.
3. **Review Your Online Presence:** Consider how immigration officials might perceive your social media and online activities. If there are potential concerns, this could heighten your risk.
4. **Check Travel Restrictions List:** Determine if your home country was reported to be on any potential travel ban lists, as this could significantly impact your ability to re-enter the U.S.

By thoroughly examining these areas, you can better understand your travel risk and make informed decisions about international travel. Always contact [International Services](#) for personalized advice and guidance.

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