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International Education & Exchange Updates

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Dear International Students:

As you are all aware, the H1N1 influenza (or “swine flu”) situation is causing a lot of concern in many countries, not just the U.S. and Mexico.

If you recently traveled to Mexico (within the last few weeks), or if you have come into contact with people suspected of having contracted the disease, it would be wise for you to take safety precautions if you start feeling sick. For general guidelines on safety measures, please check **reliable** websites like the U.S. Center for Disease Control (CDC):

[http://www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu/#stay\\_healthy](http://www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu/#stay_healthy)

The CDC website also contains information on how the U.S. government is closely monitoring the situation on a daily basis, and it has a table of each state where outbreaks of the flu have occurred and how many people have been affected: <http://www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu/index.htm>

Traveling: You are strongly advised to exercise extreme caution and common sense judgment before you make any travel arrangements especially to areas and countries where there has been proven evidence of cases of the flu.

Students who went home on a leave of absence: If you are concerned about returning to continue your studies in the U.S., please use your personal judgment and follow the travel guidelines from your government to determine whether you wish to return to the U.S. The staff in the Office of International Education & Exchange cannot make this decision for you. In the U.S. we are closely monitoring “Travel Warning” or alerts issued by the U.S. Department of State. The Department of State website is:

[http://www.travel.state.gov/travel/cis\\_pa\\_tw/pa/pa\\_4493.html](http://www.travel.state.gov/travel/cis_pa_tw/pa/pa_4493.html)

If you decide to remain in your home country and need advise on another semester of Leave of Absence, please send an email to [ieoffice@fullerton.edu](mailto:ieoffice@fullerton.edu) (subject: CSUF ID, Leave Request).

Other reliable websites:

The World Health Organization (WHO) <http://www.who.int/en/>

The Global Alert and Response Network (GOARN) <http://www.who.int/csr/outbreaknetwork/en/>

Everyone is exercising extreme caution regardless of where you are now living. Listen to regular news broadcasts and check the above recommended websites everyday so that you keep yourself educated and informed of updates.

If you feel extremely worried about the situation, please make an appointment with an advisor to discuss your concerns. Thank you.

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