

Information Alert

Travel to United States of America

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What is happening:

There have been recent media reports regarding difficulties experienced by some travellers when attempting to travel to and enter the USA. Also, the US Department of State recently announced that no new student visa interview appointments are to be made available until further notice.

UMAL, the University insurers have provided us with the following updates:

- [Travel to the USA Alert](#)
- [Travel to the USA - Student Visa Application Alert](#)

Travel Information:

Whilst the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (FCDO) has not specifically issued advice on this matter, the Entry Requirements section of their website has been changed from **"The authorities in the U.S. set and enforce entry rules"** to **"You should comply with all entry, visa and other conditions of entry"**.

It is important if you are planning on travelling that you frequently check both [Crisis24 Horizon](#) and [Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office \(FCDO\)](#) platforms for updates and/or sign up to receive alerts.

Things you can do:

- Read the supplementary notes from UMAL linked in this alert.
- Consider whether you wish to continue with your travel plans to the USA.
- Keep up to date with the ongoing situation and sign up to receive travel alerts.
- Ensure you include contingency plans in your risk assessment and request to travel documentation should you be refused entry or deported.
 - Contingency plans should include (but are not limited to) access to funds to re-book travel, access to water and food that may be required and access to medication and any additional medication which may be required if refused entry.
- Download [SafeZone](#) - SafeZone will operate at any location, your app will offer you a single-tap call to local emergency services and provide your GPS coordinates which you can pass on to call handlers.
- For further guidance, contact insurance@swansea.ac.uk or HealthandSafety@swansea.ac.uk