Flying Solo, Staying Safe

Supporting the Independent Student Traveler

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ONLINE RESOURCES

For Female Travelers

- US State Department: Info for Women Travelers
- International SOS/Control Risks: Women's Travel Risk Guide

For LGBTQ Travelers

- US State Department: LGBTI Travel Info
- How to Plan a Safe Trip for Gay and Transgender Travelers (NY Times, 30 Jan 2017)
- International Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Trans and Intersex Association (ILGA)
- Human Rights Watch
- Erasing 76 Crimes
- Diversity Abroad
- Equaldex
- Trans Respect versus Transphobia Worldwide
- OutRight Action International

For Travelers Experiencing Gender and Relationship Violence

- Americans Overseas Domestic Violence Crisis Center
- Sexual Assault Support and Help for Americans Abroad (SASHAA)

DEFINING "UNIVERSITY-SPONSORED TRAVEL"

Here are a few examples of how definitions can vary between institutions.

#1	Academic or business travel undertaken by X Faculty, Staff and Students and authorized, funded, or administered by X University. Such travel may include, but is not limited to, teaching, research, administrative work, for-credit study, internships, field studies, service learning, volunteer or work programs and other experiential learning, performances, athletic competitions, and trips abroad in connection with student organizations recognized by any X academic or administrative unit.
#2	The requirements and provisions of this policy are in addition to the university's Travel Policy, which applies to all university-related travel, and the university's Undergraduate Student Travel Policy, which applies to undergraduate student travel Faculty, students, staff, and administrative employees may travel without university restrictions for personal reasons if no university funds, no university business, and no university time are involved. If travelers choose to use X travel services to book these flights, they will be asked to sign a form accepting personal responsibility for the risks involved in the travel.
#3	All employee (i.e. faculty and staff) or student travel to restricted regions, with or without University funding, to conduct business or for any University-organized, University-sponsored, University-administered, or University-related activities, events, or programs within one's capacity as an employee or student.
#4	Travel that the University endorses by supporting it financially, or by sending faculty, staff or students to participate in an activity or event as official representatives of the University. Travel that is (regardless of funding) initiated, actively planned, arranged, or advised by a faculty, staff, or registered student organization, and is approved by an appropriate administrator.
#5	University-sponsored travel includes travel abroad by students or faculty/staff for academic or professional purposes. This includes all education abroad programs that are delivered by, in association with, or under the auspices of the University, such as a reciprocal student exchange program, a faculty led course, program or activity, or direct enrollment and/or placement at a foreign University that includes, but is not limited to, elective rotation/clerkship or laboratory based research. Education abroad programs may be credit-bearing, experiential/training related, or "Service Learning" Programs.