



COVID-19 Protocol International and Exchange Students Spring 2022

Effective Date: November 22, 2021, *revised December 2, 2021*

Noncitizens who are nonimmigrants and seeking to enter the United States by air are **required to show proof of being fully vaccinated against COVID-19** before boarding a flight to the United States from a foreign country.

If you are not fully vaccinated against COVID-19, you will **NOT** be allowed to board a flight to the United States, unless you meet the criteria for an exception under the Presidential Proclamation and CDC's Order.

Link: [Presidential Proclamation and CDC Information](#)

Policy:

In alignment with the Presidential Proclamation and CDC guidance, WNE policy is that all international and exchange students registered for classes for the Spring 2022 semester **must provide proof of COVID-19 vaccination to Health Services.**

Proof of immunization should be sent to covidvac@wne.edu.

All forms of proof of COVID-19 vaccination must have

- Personal identifiers (full name plus at least one other identifier such as date of birth or passport number) that match the personal identifiers on the passenger's passport or other travel documents
- Name of official source issuing the record (e.g., public health agency, government agency, or other authorized vaccine provider)
- Vaccine manufacturer and date(s) of vaccination

Definitions

Vaccinated Status—You are considered fully vaccinated:

- 2 weeks (14 days) after your dose of an accepted single-dose vaccine
- 2 weeks (14 days) after your second dose of an accepted 2-dose series
- 2 weeks (14 days) after you received the full series of an accepted COVID-19 vaccine (not placebo) in a clinical trial
- 2 weeks (14 days) after you received the full series of a Novavax (or Covovax) COVID-19 vaccine (not placebo) in phase 3 clinical trial



- 2 weeks (14 days) after you received 2 doses of any “mix-and-match” combination of [accepted COVID-19 vaccines](#) administered at least 17 days apart

If you don’t meet these requirements, you are NOT fully vaccinated.

Accepted COVID-19 Vaccines

	Vaccines Approved or Authorized by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration	Vaccines Listed for Emergency Use (EUL) by the World Health Organization
Single dose	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Janssen/J&J 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Janssen/J&J
2-dose series	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pfizer-BioNTech • Moderna 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pfizer-BioNTech • Moderna • AstraZeneca • Covaxin • Covishield • BIBP/Sinopharm • Sinovac

Travel and Testing Guidelines

All air passengers 2 years or older with a flight departing to the U.S. from a foreign country at or after **12:01 a.m. EST (5:01 a.m. GMT) on December 6, 2021**, are required to show a negative COVID-19 viral test result taken no more than 1 day before travel, or documentation of having recovered from COVID-19 in the past 90 days before they board their flight.

Link: [CDC International Travel Guidelines](#), effective Dec 2, 2021

Point of Travel	Requirement
Pre-Travel Testing	Provide a negative viral test on a sample taken one (1) day before the flight’s departure from a foreign country.
Post-Travel Testing	You are required to be tested three to five (3-5) days after arrival to WNE/United states.
Quarantine	Quarantine not required. Self-monitor for COVID-19 symptoms and notify Health Services if you develop symptoms.



Definitions

Isolation is used to separate people infected with COVID-19 from those who are not infected.

Quarantine is used to keep someone who might have been exposed to COVID-19 away from others. Quarantine helps prevent the spread of disease that can occur before a person knows they are sick or if they are infected with the virus without feeling symptoms. People in quarantine should stay home, separate themselves from others, monitor their health, and follow their state or local health department directions.

The requirements outlined in the Presidential Proclamation and CDC's Order apply to anybody who is considered a noncitizen nonimmigrant and is traveling to the United States by air. These people are referred to in the Proclamation and the Order as "*Covered Individuals*."

Covered Individuals include:

- Any non-U.S. citizen seeking to enter the United States by air travel with a nonimmigrant visa listed in "Nonimmigrant Visa Categories" on the U.S. Department of State's webpage [Directory of Visa Categories](#), as well as K nonimmigrant visa holders;
- Any non-U.S. citizen seeking to enter the United States by air travel who has been granted an Electronic System for Travel Authorization (ESTA) as part of [the Visa Waiver Program external icon](#);
- Any non-U.S. citizen seeking to enter the United States by air travel as a nonimmigrant under the Guam-Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands Visa Waiver Program; and
- Any non-U.S. citizen otherwise seeking to enter the United States by air travel as a nonimmigrant in any other category exempt from the general requirement to present a nonimmigrant visa for admission (e.g., certain Canadian nationals).