

Sunway International Office Communication #8

Returning to Malaysia for Existing Students

Except from the 23 Listed Countries

IMPORTANT:

This message is meant to update ALL EXISTING STUDENTS regarding the lifting of border restrictions for the returning of student to Malaysia as per the EMGS Bulletin dated 21st October 2020.

Students who are intending to return to Malaysia are encouraged to contact International Office before making any travel plans.

The information is correct at the point of writing.

Dear International Students,

We are writing to inform you that there has been a revision on the border restrictions for existing students returning to Malaysia as announced by EMGS on the 21st of October 2020.

Please refer to the said announcement here:

https://educationmalaysia.gov.my/news_update/update-on-the-standard-operating-procedures-during-and-after-covid-19-pandemic-movement-control-order-21-10/

Here are some important points to highlight:

- 1) Please note that the entry restrictions for the (23) listed countries remains in force. Students from these countries are yet to be allowed to return to Malaysia even if the Travel Authorisation approval have been granted earlier.

2) The 23 listed countries are:

United States of America, Brazil, India, Russia, Peru, Colombia, South Africa, Mexico, Spain, Argentina, Chile, Iran, United Kingdom, Bangladesh, Saudi Arabia, Pakistan, France, Turkey, Italy, Germany, Iraq, Philippines and Indonesia.

3) Students who are passport holders from the 23 countries but are currently residing in another country not listed are advised to contact the nearest Malaysian Mission from the country of residence for further advice before applying for travel authorisation.

4) All students from countries that are not listed above are now able to apply for EMGS Travel Authorisation. Students who have previously received the Travel Authorisation approval may now proceed to contact the nearest Malaysian Mission to apply for Approval to Travel Notice. Please contact International Office for further assistance if required.

5) Please note that the entry for all New International Students and Dependents will be on hold until further notice.

▪ ***Application of EMGS Travel Authorisation***

The earlier procedures communicated to students for the application of travel authorisation to Malaysia and the 14-day quarantine remains.

Please refer to ***IO Communication #5 SOP for Returning Students (Version 2)***

Available online here:

Procedures to Return to Malaysia and the 14-day Quarantine Process

https://international.sunway.edu.my/sites/default/files/IOComm5_SOPForReturningStudents_v2_10082020.pdf

▪ **14-day Mandatory Quarantine Period**

The 14-day quarantine will take place at designated quarantine centres managed exclusively by the National Disaster Management Agency (NADMA) together with the Malaysia Ministry of Health (MOH). The location of the quarantine centre is assigned only upon arrival. Students are not able to choose or change the assigned centre. Please note that students must adhere to the strict guidelines of quarantine which includes being individually isolated throughout the whole duration of quarantine.

All costs incurred during the quarantine will be borne by the student.

As of 24th September 2020, the total cost for the quarantine is RM 4,700. This amount includes the fee for accommodation and meals. The fee for two COVID-19 screenings are charged separately.

▪ **COVID-19 Screening**

Pre-departure

Pre-departure screening is not required by the Malaysian government.

However, students must check with the airlines and the airport of transit (if any) if pre-departure screenings are required.

Post arrival

The Malaysia Ministry of Health will be conducting a post-arrival COVID-19 screening upon the student's arrival in Malaysia. If tested positive, the student will be admitted to a designated hospital for monitoring.

Students who tested negative will be sent to the quarantine centre to observe the 14-day quarantine. A second screening on the 13th day of quarantine will be conducted. If the student obtains a second negative result, the student will be able to return home on the following day.

Fees for Covid-19 Screening

All costs for the screenings will be borne by the student. The fee for COVID-19 Screenings can be found in Item 6.2 of Appendix I – Guidelines on Entry & Quarantine Process for Person Under Surveillance Arriving from Abroad issued by NADMA (National Disaster Management Agency) on 24th July 2020.

Available online here:

<https://cdn.educationmalaysia.gov.my/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/30050823/Appendix-I-Guidelines-on-Entry-Quarantine-Process-for-Person-Under-S....pdf>

Should you need more information, please feel free to reach out to us via email intwelfare@sunway.edu.my or on our IO Hotline number +60193362242.

Important note:

- Do visit the International Office website for more updates at this link: <https://international.sunway.edu.my/study-apply/important-notice>
- Download the *MySejahtera* Traveller Module on your mobile phone before travelling to Malaysia. Do provided the accurate and honest information as required by the application. More information regarding this here: <https://mysejahtera.malaysia.gov.my/traveler/en/>

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