

In this form we briefly explain the implications of the COVID-19 pandemic for you as an exchange student to a destination abroad and the procedure to request an exception to the current Exchange Policy AY 22-23.

Exchange Policy AY 22-23

This policy states that a student will not be given permission to travel abroad if their destination is designated as high-risk by the Dutch government (in other words: 'code red' or 'code orange' according to the Dutch travel advisories). In such cases, Exchange Policy AY 22-23 states that the student is required to cancel or postpone their stay abroad. In addition to the current policy, it has been decided that in certain situations students can request for an exception to the current exchange policy and can get permission to travel to a code orange country for an internship/ graduation project.

Risk of changing measures during your stay abroad (Academic year - 2022/2023)

Due to the global COVID-19 pandemic, the risks and uncertainties affecting the health and safety of students travelling abroad are still present and significant. Access to health care might be less and insurances might not cover COVID-19 related incidents. You also might be unable to travel due to lockdown measures or border closures. In case of a new lockdown, social isolation might have a huge impact on your wellbeing. Hence, changing measures can have a big impact on your study and exchange experience at your host institution/organization. Please keep this in mind and check the possible impact in your personal situation before you file a request for exception.

Exception requests procedure

In order to receive permission for an exception you must submit an exception request. Considering the specific circumstances and risks and the presence of possible preventive measures or lack thereof, the TU/e Advisory Committee will make a binding decision. You can use the form in this document to send in your request. Your answers must include an overview of the current health and safety risks, your personal situation and the situation at your host institution or organization and the corresponding measures you have taken to reduce risk. In addition the following conditions apply:

- The colour code of the area is Orange only because of Corona and the destination is arguably sufficiently safe.
- It concerns a long-term residence to do an internship or graduation project for at least 1 quartile.
- The host organisation/institution has given all necessary permissions and the activities will be physical at the organization (and not online only).
- The student takes all necessary Corona precautions applicable in the country of destination (vaccination, quarantine, testing, hygiene, social distancing, etc.).
- The student signs a statement that he/she takes all measures for sufficient coverage of the necessary insurances during the stay. In addition, the student declares that all costs are for his own account and TU/e cannot be held liable for this.
- The student has read the document "Guidelines for study related trips to risk areas" and will act in accordance herein.

FORM Exception request

General and personal details

Name *

E-mail address *

TU/e student ID number *

Department at TU/e *

Name of study program at TU/e *

Current travel advisory of the Dutch government (or safelist status) *

Green/Yellow/ Orange

Safe Country List

Travel advisory of the Dutch government at request date *

Orange

Removed from Safe Country List

Start date mobility (dd/mm/yy) *

End date mobility (dd/mm/yy) *

Country *

Name of host institution/organization *

COVID-19 risk questions

Is your family aware of you whereabouts and this request? *

Yes/No

Who are your two main contacts in case of emergency at home? *(Please add their telephone numbers).* *

Check your health insurance and travel insurance coverage. Are all possible incidents, Covid and non-Covid, covered based on the details of your prolonged stay after consultation with your health insurance provider? If not covered well, can you take out additional cover? * Yes/No
No/additional cover:

Do you have a personal liability insurance to cover incidents for which you can be held personally liable? * Yes/No

What are the current measures COVID-19 in the country of destination? * (*include link to source of information*)

Are other non-COVID risks mentioned in the [travel advisory of the Dutch government](#) causing the travel advice to change? And if yes, describe these risks * (*include link to source of information*)

Describe the educational and emotional support which is offered at your host destination (university or company):

- a. Is there specific guidance and support from the host to prevent social isolation? *
- b. Is extra support given to students in the event of emergencies/requests for help? *

Are you prepared for a possible lockdown or need of medical care (Covid and non-Covid)?

Please elaborate on the following topics:

1. Have you mapped out the proximity of health care services? *

2. Are you well informed about the local healthcare system? *

3. Will you register your stay at the embassy? * Yes/No

Thank you for filling out this form.

Please send this form as a PDF file, that includes any additional relevant documents where/when applicable to (email....

We will contact you a.s.a.p. with the outcome.

* = Input is required