

Dear GO Short Student,

We hope your semester has gotten off to a good start despite how different it looks!

You are receiving this email because you are scheduled to participate in a GO Short program for the Winter 2020-2021 session. We are *still cautiously proceeding with plans* for Winter 2020-21 GO Short programs. As such, please [let us know](#) if you do not have a valid passport.

In early August, the U.S. State Department removed the global Travel Advisory Level 4 and is resuming the issuance of individual country advisories. As we mentioned in earlier messages, our decision-making processes includes continuously reviewing information from the U.S. State Department, Center for Disease Control, World Health Organization, U.S. Embassies, Risk Management and Security Advisors, as well as the local governments and our on-site partners in all locations where our students travel. We are committed to safely providing cross-cultural experiences to our students.

A final decision as to whether programs will be able to take place over the winter session will be made before your prep class begins in October. We will be in contact with you directly with the decision as well as post updates of messages on our [COVID-19 FAQ](#). Please know that our primary goal is to keep you on track for graduation while maintaining your health and safety. *You will not be billed for your GO Short program until after that decision is made in October.*

We remain committed to the cross-cultural learning goals and the cross-cultural requirement. If we must cancel a program, we will have alternatives in place and are committed to working with students to meet the requirement while staying on track for graduation. We already have experience doing this, and also recognize that this may be different for each student, as students' needs are unique, and we will work with you individually. We understand that each of you may have differing thoughts regarding how you would like to proceed, and we will support you in completing the requirement. From the beginning, we have guaranteed to work with students to meet the cross-cultural requirement for graduation.

In the meantime, if you have questions or concerns about your GO program, please contact us at goprogram@susqu.edu. We are able to meet with you via phone or zoom.

Best,

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