Travel Possible for Eligible International Students





As of **November 17**, King's COVID-19 readiness plan has been approved by the Government of Ontario.

If you are an international student who is currently outside of Canada and you have a valid study permit or have been approved for a study permit, you may be able to enter Canada, provided you meet specific requirements and develop a safe 14-day quarantine plan. Note that King's does not require you to be on campus at this time. Please see the timetable **here**.

Before planning travel, review IRCC's **travel exemptions and restrictions for international students**. If you have questions contact King's International at **international@kings.uwo.ca**.

Recommended Dates of Travel

King's strongly recommends that you plan to arrive in Canada**before December 21**, **2020** or **after January 3**, **2021**.

Quarantine supports, including student health care, COVID-19 testing, wellness checks and other essential services may be unavailable or limited due to King's winter holiday closure. In addition, essential services such as grocery and pharmacy delivery will not be available on December 25, December 26, and January 1, and may be limited throughout the holiday period.

Any student who persists with plans to arrive between December 21 and January 3 is required to register their quarantine plan as soon as possible, and no later than **December 14.**

Required Steps for travelling to Canada

1. Ensure that you are eligible to travel to Canada

2. Visit <u>King's international website</u> for important information and resources.

3. Carefully review the <u>requirements for your 14-day self-quarantine</u> set forth under the *Quarantine Act*.

4. Review "Are your accommodations acceptable?"

5. Book your quarantine accommodations:

- students are strongly encouraged to **book quarantine accommodations through King's**, provided by Maple Assist and including transportation and meal service

6. Book transportation from the airport:

- students travelling from Toronto Pearson Airport to London must book **transportation via RobertQ airbus** (unless using Maple Assist quarantine). A 50 % discount on the fare has been arranged for students arriving from outside of Canada.

-students arriving at London International Airport may take a taxi to their quarantine destination. Call the taxi company in advance to ensure all COVID-19 safety precautions are followed.

Note: Public transportation is not permitted for students arriving from outside Canada.

7. **<u>Register your Quarantine Plan</u> with King's/Western University,** including acknowledgement of your compliance with quarantine requirements.

8. Download the <u>ArriveCAN app</u> and enter your travel and contact information, quarantine plan and COVID-19 symptom assessment prior to boarding a flight or approaching a land border. Travellers must be ready to show their ArriveCAN receipt. A border services officer will verify that they have submitted their information digitally.

9. **Use ArriveCAN to confirm you've arrived at your quarantine location** within 48 hours of your entry to Canada, and complete daily COVID-19 symptom self-assessments.

10. Upon completion of quarantine, obtain your mandatory COVID-19 test.

For International Students in Canada Who Wish to Travel

Although we know this is a difficult time, there are **travel advisories** in place that affect international travel. Currently, we recommend students remain in Canada over the winter break.

For students to be eligible to return to Canada after the winter break, King's must be on the government's approved list of Designated Learning Institutions (DLI List). In addition, travel restrictions can change at any moment and it is possible that more restrictions could be imposed. If you are outside of Canada at the time changes are implemented, it is uncertain if you will be eligible to return.

If you decide to leave the country, you will be travelling at your own risk and expense. To re-enter Canada, you will be required to register your quarantine plan.

If you must travel for essential reasons, carefully review the <u>requirements for your 14-</u> <u>day self-quarantine</u>, set forth under the *Quarantine Act* and the <u>travel restriction</u> <u>exemptions</u> information from IRCC. Then **complete steps 2-10 above** in planning for your return to Canada.

Additional Information and Resources

Please consult the **King's International website** for the most up-to-date information and resources.

King's International is here to support all international students during this challenging time - whether you are in Canada, planning to travel to Canada once travel restrictions are lifted, or studying remotely from abroad. Please **contact us** if you need assistance. We are available for online appointments.

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