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GLC Updates on Travelling and Future Programming Webinar



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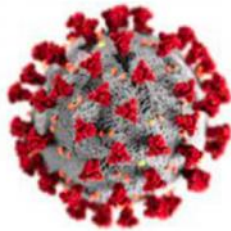
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What major challenges regarding studying abroad have we faced over the last 19 months?



Meet the Panelists



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Updates from Asia



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About Us



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The Asia Institute was founded in 2006 by connecting the four key sectors of society (private, public, not-for-profit and education) through a partnership network with a mission to build the leading education platform connecting Asia with the rest of the world. Over the past fifteen years, The Asia Institute has worked with over 5000 students and faculty, and has quickly become a leading host partner for many educational institutions in areas such as short-term programs, experiential learning, virtual programming and career development.

Where We Are



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**India
Nepal
Bhutan
Myanmar
Thailand
Cambodia
Laos**



**South Korea
Japan
China
Vietnam
Malaysia
Indonesia
Philippines
Singapore**

General Travel Planning



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Institutional Policies – Country Context

Ex. weekly testing, single room requirements, mask requirements

International Flights – Operational Changes

Ex. deposit requirements, group travel, key terms and timeline

Tour Operator/Hotel Changes

Ex. bankrupt hotels, bus transport closures, capacity policies, distancing on transport

Cancel for Any Reason Coverage

Protection for students up until 48 hours before departure, structuring for lower cost



Updates from Asia



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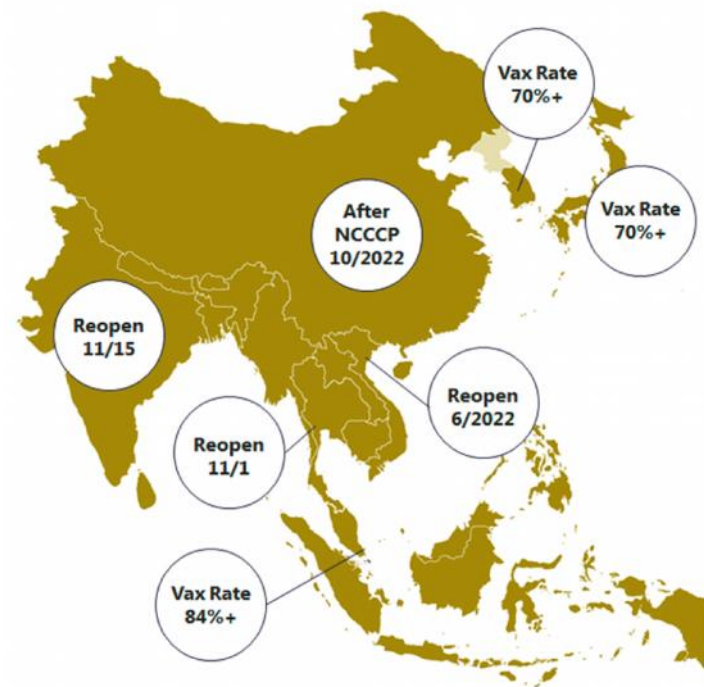


Key Points

- Vaccination rates 8% - 84%
- No uniformity with contact tracing
- Unique policies on public conduct
- Intracountry travel policies differ

Reopening Announcements

- Singapore
- Thailand
- India
- Vietnam



Spotlight on Singapore



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Travel Requirements

Fully Vaccinated
Last 14 days in U.S.
Negative PCR (48hrs)
Arrive on VTL Flight
SG Arrival Card
Pre-Pay Arrival PCR Test
Isolate Until PCR Results
Travel Insurance



Asia Looking Ahead



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High Travel Demand

Plan early, expect busy flights, expect higher expenses

Strict COVID Policies

Students must be prepared for strict adherence to local policies and protocols

Single Country Programs

Minimize challenges from multi-country, reduce risk and requirements, expect different policies

Medical Insurance

Required medical coverage, proof of funds for isolation expenses



Updates from Africa

EDU AFRICA
TRANSFORMATIVE LEARNING JOURNEYS



About us



Born out of a deep passion for the continent, EDU Africa was launched out of Harare, Zimbabwe during 2003.

Our team now operates from four regional offices in South Africa, Kenya, Zimbabwe, and Tanzania.

We value the opportunity to build lasting relationships with our local communities, institutions, and partners, ensuring our ability to create remarkable, sustainable and authentically African Transformative Learning Journeys.

Transformation Goals



Our goal is for all students to experience holistic transformation during their time in Africa, and for them to become global agents of that change. Our programs aim to encourage student growth in the following areas:



Intercultural Competence

Become more aware of, and able to relate to, different cultures.



Global Citizenship

Become more aware of your ability to have an impact on global issues.



Personal Growth

Become more self-aware and/or experience personal change.



Intellectual Growth

Broaden your academic and/or general knowledge.



Professional Development

Gain professional skills or become more aware of your (future) career prospects.

What we do



Our experienced team will work closely with you to customize your program and ensure it meets your specific learning goals.



Faculty-led



Virtual Exchange



Study Abroad



Service Learning



School Groups

Locations



Response to COVID-19

RESPONSE PLAN AND PROGRAM PROTOCOLS

Guided by the WHO

Adhere to the UNWTO standards

Used South African government protocols as the starting point, then were customized per country

Follow various governments' legislation and health authorities' guidelines

Program protocols help to manage emerging scenarios

Staff trained on protocols and have access to them

Have been tried and tested on programs this year!



New parameters



WHAT DID WE REVIEW?

Health Checklist Pre-departure call

Compulsory Travel Insurance

Pre-screening for COVID-19 at least 14 days before in-country arrival (Travel & Health Declaration Form)

Student Information Form (COVID-19 preparedness questions)

Facilitators COVID-19 testing before students arrive

Personal luggage handling

Vehicle boarding and cleaning protocols

Mask wearing

Daily screening for symptoms and temperature monitoring

Current travel scenario



COUNTRY BORDERS ARE OPEN!

Vaccination

Rollouts are underway. Progress towards herd immunity is slow - lack of resources in some cases/limited uptake due to skepticism. Not required to enter countries.

Testing

All countries require valid COVID-19 PCR negative results at the Port of Entry. The African Union now has specific protocols and online forms. In-country testing is available (at between about US\$65 - 100)

Quarantine

Generally not required unless a traveler

- cannot produce a valid COVID-19 negative test taken within the stipulated number of hours
- presents with symptoms when screened at the Port of Entry
- arrives from a region/country known to have a high infection burden for which special restrictions are currently in place

Key takeaways



WHAT WE LEARNT FROM OUR IN-COUNTRY EXPERIENCES THIS YEAR

Prepare, prepare, prepare!

Be flexible and ready for anything!

Case by case assessment is vital

Partners - synchronising protocols is important

Conclusive information on students is not asking for too much

Open communication between the faculty and host organization is all the more important now

Debriefs are of essence - resulted in 14 protocol enhancements

Updates from Europe



About CEPA



Founded in 1997, CEPA is a family-run German-based company which specializes in university-level academic faculty-led programs, summer and semester programs, as well as the organization of higher-level seminars and professional workshops.



A well-thought-out itinerary begins with an organized planning process, our expert knowledge of the destinations, close connections to local communities and cultures.

By fostering these networks on a continual basis, we can provide comprehensive and flexible options which go above and beyond any expectations. The health and safety of students and faculty leaders is our top priority.

Being informed and prepared as best as we can to handle unexpected situations, no matter how small or large, are key factors that help ensure the wellbeing of all CEPA program participants.

Factsheet European Union

Authorized Vaccines*:

- Comirnaty (Biontech)
- Spikevax (Moderna)
- Vaxzevria (AstraZeneca)
- Janssen (Johnson&Johnson)

*officially approved by the EMA (European Medicine Agency);
some countries accept further vaccines

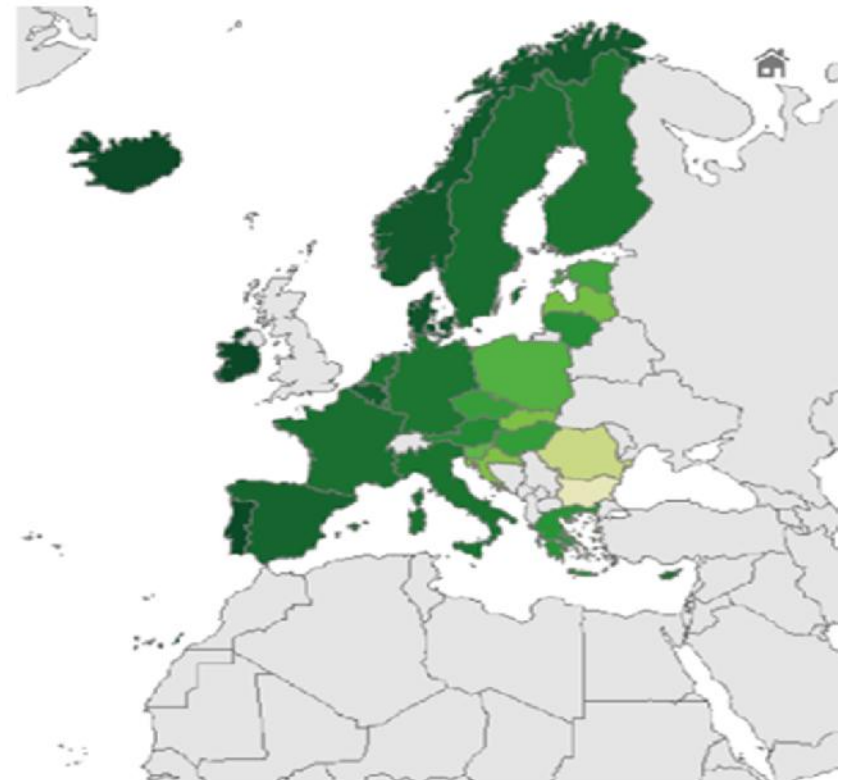
Vaccination rate:

- in average 70% over 18 years are fully vaccinated
- e.g. Bulgaria only 20%,
Belgium and Denmark more than 80%

Certificates:

- Each country issues QR codes, which
can be uploaded in country-specific
apps
as digital vaccination certificate
(one needs to be a resident to get such a QR code)
- No uniform app yet within Europe

Cumulative uptake (%) of full vaccination among adults (18+)
in EU/EEA countries as of 2021-10-19





Current travel situation in Europe

Face masks:

- Required in most countries at public indoor places

Entry requirements:

- Depending on destination
- Negative antigen test always recommended, if fully vaccinated status is in place

Everything is open and should remain open:

- For tested, recovered or vaccinated people (in details this may differ from country to country)
- Reduced capacity in place (e.g. restaurants, buses)

Contact Tracing Apps:

- Each country has its own
- It is used for contact tracing, e.g. in restaurants

Hygiene standards:

- Hotels, restaurants, museums, etc. follow the requested hygiene standards from the local health authorities

Requirements overview

- Germany, Austria, Switzerland, France, Italy, Spain, Belgium, UK



CEPA Faculty-led Programs

Requirement: Full vaccination status of all CEPA program participants with one of the 4 authorized vaccines

A digital certificate is required, which must at least include:

- data allowing the identity of the vaccinated person to be deduced (name, date of birth and/or identification number)
- data demonstrating that all the doses provided for in the leaflet have been administered for at least two weeks of a recognized vaccine
- the brand name and the name of the manufacturer or marketing authorization holder of each vaccine that was delivered
- the injection date of each dose of the delivered vaccine
- the name of the country where the vaccine was delivered
- the issuer of the vaccination certificate with his or her signature, stamp or unique digitally readable certificate identification code

Goals:

- Minimize risk of being hospitalized
- No group quarantine, if one participants gets tested positive
- Taking part in all program activities
- No waiting to receive test results
- No additional costs for tests on-site (except border crossings, if required)

Antigen test: approx. EUR 20 - 30

PCR test: approx. EUR 70 - 130

CEPA's COVID-19 Safety Guidance and Emergency Protocol



Summary

Precautions:

- Fully vaccinated
- Mask requirement
- Hand sanitizer
- Adjust to hygiene standards
- CFAR insurance highly recommended
- Download of contact tracing app recommended

On-site:

- Social distancing to others (not your group)
- Follow all rules and regulations implemented by the health authorities of the city
- Be prepared for contact tracing, if required



What happens if...

- **A participant is feeling ill**
inform your on-site coordinator or faculty leader and make a rapid test
- **A participant is tested positive**
health authorities need to be informed
- **A participant needs to be quarantined**
health authorities decide on the quarantine location (e.g. the hotel, a designated other location, etc.)
costs for the location are usually covered by the health authorities
CEPA will make sure to stay updated and if not part of the quarantine, will take care of the food and medicine, if needed at additional costs
CEPA will decide together with the university how to proceed with the rest of the program
- **A participant is tested positive before returning to the US**
see above
CEPA will make sure that a CEPA on-site Coordinator will be available to check on the student and assist with food and medicine, if needed (at additional costs) until the student can return to the US
- **A participant is hospitalized**
CEPA will be in touch with the hospital and doctors to get information on the status and will remain in contact
Visits are usually not allowed at COVID-19 declared rooms at a hospital

Updates from Latin America



About Campus b



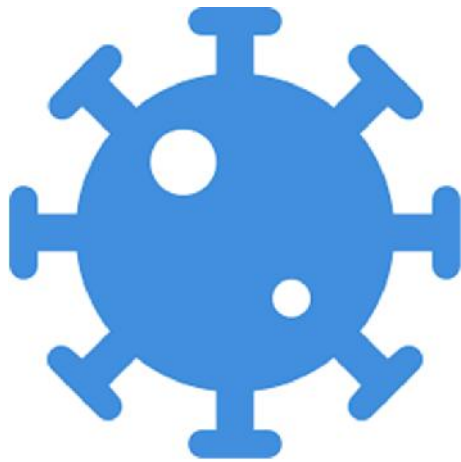
- Founded in 2010
- Based in Brazil
- Operations in the following countries:

- * Brazil
- * Argentina
- * Uruguay
- * Chile
- * Peru
- * Colombia
- * Mexico



- Certified B Corp since 2017
- Faculty-led and internship programs (focus on international project-based with local students)

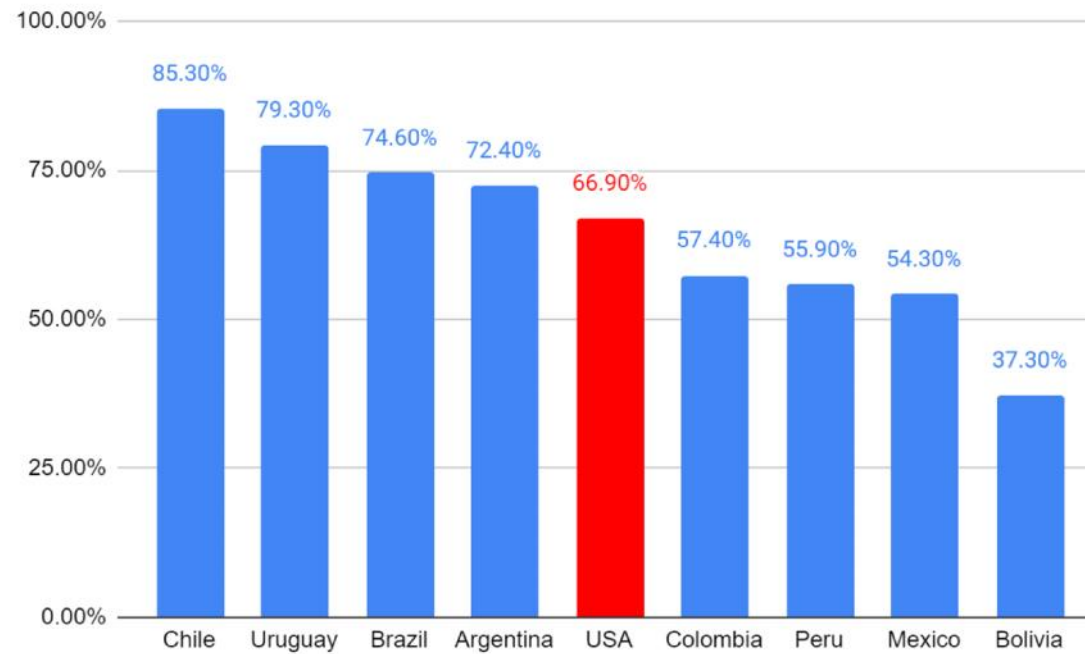
COVID-19 and Latin America



- Highly impacted region: 5 countries within the top 15 with highest deaths per capita
- Later vaccination implementation compared to North America and Europe
- Lower governmental financial support compared to North America and Europe

Current situation in Latin America

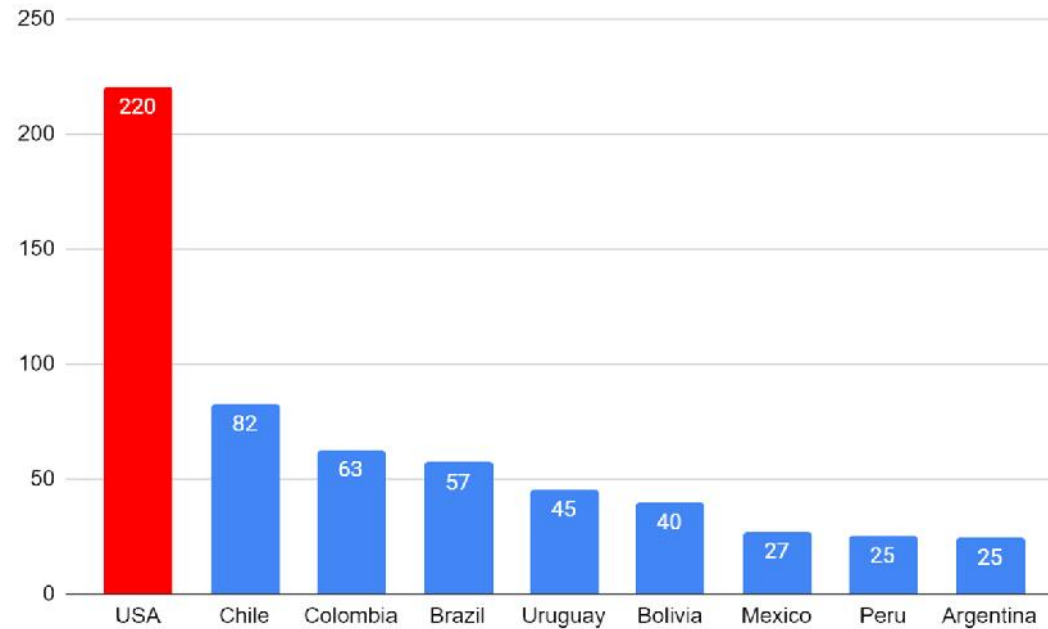
% population vaccinated with at least one dose



From [JHU CSSE COVID-19 Data](#) (Oct 25th, 2021)

Current situation in Latin America

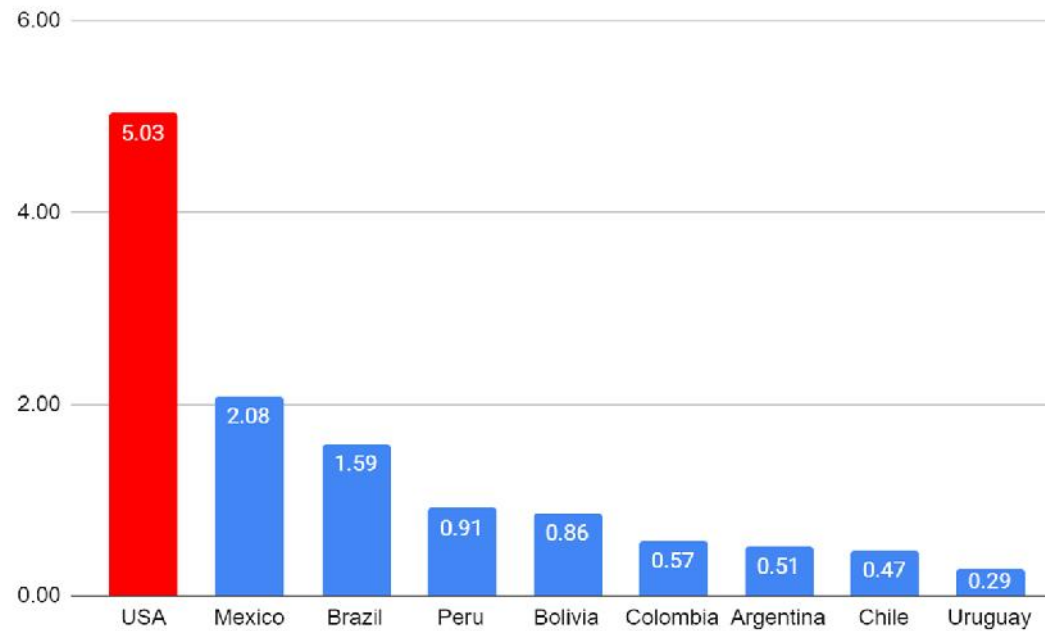
New cases/day per million inhabitants



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Current situation in Latin America

Deaths/day per million inhabitants



From [JHU CSSE COVID-19 Data](#) (Oct 25th, 2021)

Travel requirements



	Open for visitors?	Health Form	Quarantine required	Vaccination required	PCR or antigen test required
Brazil	YES	YES	NO	NO	YES
Uruguay	YES (from Nov 1st)	YES	NO	YES	YES
Argentina	YES (from Nov 1st)	YES	NO	YES	NO
Chile	YES	YES	NO	YES	YES
Peru	YES	YES	NO	NO	YES
Bolivia	YES	YES	NO	NO	YES
Colombia	YES	YES	NO	NO	NO
Mexico	YES	YES	NO	NO	NO

IATA Travel centre. Checked on Oct 25th, 202

Campus b COVID-19 protocol



Pre Boarding Actions:

- Virtual Pre Boarding Session: Relevant information about country's current status and safety protocols
- Support to navigate each country's bureaucracies and protocols (testing, certificates, etc)

On-site Actions:

- 2 Program Assistants on-site 24/7
- Daily Protocols: Temperature checks, symptoms monitoring, mask wearing in public spaces, distribution of hand sanitizer, social distancing
- Campus B staff will share safety guideline policy with locations and organizations visited during the program to ensure the protocol is always followed.

Campus b Actions:

- All Campus b staff has gone through a series of Training Session on COVID-19 addressing the following topics: transmission, prevention, contact tracing, risk management, communication flow.
- Extension of deadlines for confirmation of the program
- Support on the ground during and after the program. Should a participant test positive and need



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Thank you for your attention!
Do you have any questions?

