TRAVEL PROCEDURES TO ISRAEL

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY AND FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTIONS WITH CARE

We are looking forward to welcoming you to the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. It is undoubtedly a unique time, given COVID-19, but we are working hard to ensure that your experience will be a stimulating and rewarding one.

We recommend that you first carefully read the directives of the Government of Israel regarding COVID-19 rules and regulations here.

**Step 1: Apply for a Visa**

In accordance with the new regulations, all new students are required to apply for an A/2 Student Visa via the Israeli embassy or consulate closest to their location.

Due to the dynamic situation, travel disruptions can be expected. We strongly recommend that students do not book their flights until they have received a visa and, if required, an entry permit. As certain consulates require that you have already purchased a ticket (sometimes an itinerary is sufficient), you should verify that your ticket is fully refundable.

**Step 2: Reserve Self-Quarantine Housing**

The Israeli Government requires all incoming students who are arriving to Israel to enter self-quarantine period upon arrival.

At present, the Health Ministry only requires full isolation upon arrival for those students who DO NOT conform to the Green Pass guidelines. Anyone who conforms to the Green Pass guidelines that arrive in Israel and are then required to isolate until receiving a negative PCR-test result performed upon entry.

Self-quarantine must be completed in a suitable location in accordance with the Ministry of Health guidelines, at home or an accommodation at your disposal which you will be required to declare when you arrive in Israel.
HU offers The Maiersdorf Faculty House as an optional accommodation for quarantine. In order to check availability please contact: bmfc@savion.huji.ac.il.

Should students encounter reservation challenges, please contact Rothberg’s Housing Coordinator at rishousing@savion.huji.ac.il.

**Note:** Students are not permitted to self-quarantine in their personal shared dorm apartments that they reserved for the semester/year. Upon completion of self-quarantine, students who have reserved dorms for the semester/year, will be permitted to enter on presentation of their official self-quarantine release document.

**Note:** Shortening Self-quarantine - Details on self-quarantine procedures can be found [here](#).

**Note:** The University has designated Covid-19 contact persons in the case of queries and emergencies. Should students develop Covid-19 symptoms or receive a positive PCR result, please contact Emergency Line: +972 (0)54 8820217

### Step 3: Health Insurance - Mandatory for All Incoming Students

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<td>Health Insurance (Mandatory)</td>
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<td>The daily cost is approx. 4.2$/day. Coverage includes COVID-19 treatment as well as COVID-19 vaccine (if supply allows it). All students are required to purchase Harel Yedidim-Clalit health insurance from the date of their arrival. Health insurance coverage is mandatory for the entire period of study. *</td>
<td>The charge is calculated based on your arrival day and for the duration of your stay and is added to your RIS personal account.</td>
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* Returning students who have a valid health insurance policy for the full duration of their studies do not need to purchase a new health insurance policy but are required to present their insurance policy as explained in Step 4 below.

### Step 4: Pre-Departure Planning

Prior to travel, students are requested to check on the Israel entry regulations. Please see the current regulations [here](#).

### Step 5: Arrival in Israel

Travel from Airport:

On arrival in Israel, please note that it is mandatory to arrive to the self-quarantine facility individually, in a private taxi with no more than one additional passenger, or with nuclear family members. Travel by public transportation from the airport is strictly forbidden and recommendations for reliable taxi transport arrangements can be provided.
Travelers are required by law to wear a facemask that covers the nose and mouth at the airport and aboard the aircraft.

Passengers must practice proper hygiene, which includes washing hands with sanitizers.

**Contact Persons:**
- **General Support** (Office of Student Life): madrichimlife@savion.huji.ac.il
- **Payments and Billings**: risfinance@savion.huji.ac.il
- **Housing Inquiries**: rishousing@savion.huji.ac.il
- **Emergency line** after arriving in Israel: 054-882-0217

**Useful Websites**
- **Apply for an Entry Statement Permit** (24 hours prior to flight)
- **Ministry of Health – Entry into Israel**

We understand that the current circumstances are likely to be challenging for international travellers and we want to assure you that our staff is wholly dedicated to help make your arrival to Israel as smooth as possible.

We are looking forward to welcoming you to Jerusalem soon!