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JCU Travel Message, 24 September 2020

Dear JCU Students,

We are delighted to have you as a student at JCU in Rome and we hope your first week of classes is going well. It is my pleasure to welcome you all to campus and I look forward to a successful Fall 2020 semester.

Some of you have asked me about travel this semester. **As a policy for this semester, JCU discourages travel outside of Italy during this period and strongly recommends that all students who travel outside of Rome take great care to understand terms and conditions of their transportation and itinerary.** Be aware that travel and immigration regulations are influenced by public health recommendations and policies can and will change suddenly as recent history has demonstrated. Different countries around the world are assessing their travel policies on a weekly and sometimes daily basis. It is essential that you make yourself aware of all rules and requirements for travel, including any mandatory testing and quarantine expectations for transit, arrival, and return purposes. **We strongly encourage all students to remain in the Lazio region or at least Italy for this Fall 2020 semester.** All JCU students in Italy should refer to the Italian Ministry of Health for [Travel updates](#)

Any non-Schengen students should always consult with the JCU Immigration Office to ensure any international travel is compliant with in country immigration policies and the terms and conditions of their Italian student visa or Italian permit of stay. Questions can be directed to immigrationservices@johncabot.edu.

For JCU students living in housing, please understand that any personal travel that would necessitate quarantine upon return to Rome will require you to quarantine outside of JCU residences (excluding your initial arrival at the start of the semester) and refrain from coming to any JCU campus. This prohibition from coming to campus due to personal travel that mandates quarantine upon re-entry to Rome applies to all students. In other words, if you choose to travel to a location whereupon the Italian government mandates that all persons re-entering Rome must immediately quarantine (such as entry from the U.S., Malta, Greece, and Spain, to name a few) then you cannot quarantine in JCU housing or attend class on site until you are compliant with any testing and quarantine mandates dictated by the Italian Government.

You must contact the deanofstudents@johncabot.edu if any necessary or voluntary travel will prohibit you from attending in person classes or living in JCU housing during the

semester. Again, refer to the [Italian Ministry of Health](#) for specific travel policies and do remember to keep checking as they change rapidly.

Remember to consult with your professor about any remote learning needs in advance of any travel.

It is strongly recommended that U.S. citizens enroll in the STEP program with the U.S. Department of State to register any travel while abroad and receive pertinent security updates and warnings related to their location: <https://step.state.gov/>.

JCU is limited in its capacity to intervene in travel-related concerns outside of Rome. **However, all JCU students can call the JCU Emergency Number (+39 331 656 1907) for assistance in emergency situations.** Any JCU students who are symptomatic with flu-like symptoms should also immediately call the JCU Emergency Number. **Please keep in mind that the onset of symptoms will disqualify you from travel of any kind.**

Lastly, we kindly request that all students living in JCU housing please submit their travel plans, every time they leave Rome, by filling out the [Travel Information Form](#). This information helps us to keep a clear record of students' whereabouts so we can interface or assist them for an urgent need. Please know that this is for internal use only and unless there is an emergency, will not be share with anyone.

If you have any other questions, please do not hesitate to ask. We want you to have a successful and safe semester in Rome.

Kind Regards,

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