

## **TRAVEL CAUTIONS**

On Saturday, February 28, the U.S. Department of State issued a [Worldwide Caution advisory](#) for U.S. citizens traveling abroad. While this is not meant to deter you from traveling in regions outside of the Middle East, the University strongly recommends taking the following **enhanced precautions**:

- Maintain a low profile and exercise heightened situational awareness at all times. As an additional cautionary measure, do not display any obvious signs of nationality.
- Avoid areas where any protests or demonstrations are taking place. Be prepared to leave an area where crowds are anticipated or begin to gather. In some instances, local security forces may adopt robust tactics to disperse crowds or contain unrest.
- Monitor local media, International SOS advisories, and information from the U.S. Department of State for the most up-to-date security analysis and guidance.
- Always abide by the guidance and instructions given by local authorities including your program coordinators, host institution, embassies or consulates, and local law enforcement agencies.

It is also **very strongly** recommended that U.S. citizens and nationals traveling internationally enroll their trip(s) with the U.S. Department of State's [Smart Traveler Enrollment Program](#) (STEP).