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The World at Your Fingertips

Tools and resources to help plan and manage international research, travel and other activities abroad are just some of the information that's easily accessible on the systemwide UC Global Operations (UCGO) website launched this month.

UCGO is a central hub of information and resources for UC faculty, administrators, staff and students who are traveling abroad on UC business or assisting those who are. Whether a traveler is performing research, teaching, studying abroad or attending a conference, this website can help:

· **Plan a project**: Resources to help you think through where to go, learn about UC programs, plan your budget, understand U.S. and foreign regulations and UC policies that may apply and more.

· **Plan your trip**: Important vaccinations, health and travel insurance, information about the cultural etiquette in the country you're visiting, visa requirements, exchange rates for foreign currency, tips on what to pack and more.

· **Travel safely and with ease on your trip**: Guidelines on how to stay safe and healthy, what to do if you are sick or injured, how to stay connected, what adapters to get for your electronic devices and more.

· **Manage your project abroad**: Fundamental steps and strategies for successful project management abroad, including setting up operations, collaboration with international partners, and taking care of yourself and your team's wellbeing while abroad.

· **Finalize details after returning from your trip**: A post-travel checklist, how to get reimbursements for eligible expenses, close out your project and more.

· **Connect to UC offices that can assist with any specific concerns you may have.**

The website also includes quick links to each UC campus' international office and a search function to help users find what they're looking for.

Even those traveling internationally for a personal vacation and not for UC business, may find the website helpful, especially for resources such as travel alerts, the currency converter and international telephone access codes listed by country.

The new UCGO website is a joint effort of UC Office of the President's Office of Ethics, Compliance, and Audit Services and the Office of Research Policy Analysis and Coordination. Questions and comments can be directed to ucgo@ucop.edu.

About UC Santa Barbara

The University of California, Santa Barbara is a leading research institution that also provides a comprehensive liberal arts learning experience. Our academic community of faculty, students, and staff is characterized by a culture of interdisciplinary collaboration that is responsive to the needs of our multicultural and global society. All of this takes place within a living and learning environment like no other, as we draw inspiration from the beauty and resources of our extraordinary location at the edge of the Pacific Ocean.