

East-West Center
Summer Travel and Housing Policies
Effective Date: May 16, 2021

Summary of changes:

- Post travel self-isolation or quarantine period reduced from 14-days to 10-days.
- Students may self-isolate off-campus but must still notify Housing and present documentation (quarantine, as mandated by the State of Hawai'i, cannot be done off campus).
- Travel policy applies only to out-of-state travel. Inter-island travel will not require self-isolation or quarantine unless required by the State of Hawai'i.

Summer Travel Guidelines

- CDC recommends that you do not travel at this time. Delay travel and stay home to protect yourself and others from COVID-19. Residents are **strongly encouraged NOT to participate in non-essential travel at this time.**
- If you are planning travel, please contact Housing early to work out timeframes for your travel and return. Be advised that accommodations for quarantine/self-isolation are limited, particularly for kitchen rooms.
- **Housing will not be accepting returns before July 3, 2021.** Contact Housing if you have an extenuating circumstance.

NEW: Neighbor Island Travel

Starting May 11, individuals who are fully vaccinated **in the State of Hawai'i** may travel to neighbor islands without pre-travel testing/quarantine. If a resident is **not** vaccinated, State of Hawai'i self-isolation/quarantine guidelines will apply, however additional self-isolation requirements at EWC will not. This policy covers travel *to* the neighbor islands only (does NOT include travel *through* neighbor islands).

Self-isolation and quarantine requirements

- If residents travel outside the state of Hawai'i, they will need to spend a minimum of **10 days** (revised from 14 days, per CDC guidance) in either self-isolation or quarantine before returning to EWC dorms.
- **Self-Isolation:** If a resident meets the requirements of the [State of Hawai'i Pre-Travel Testing Program](#) this will be self-isolation and not a strict quarantine. Self-isolation means that contact with others should be avoided as much as possible, but basic needs of shopping for food and essentials, exercise, work, etc., can be met. Residents in self-isolation will NOT be allowed to enter HM or HK or any other EWC building during the 10 days (their room key will be disabled).
- **NEW:** Staying with friends, or at another location off-campus – instead of at Lincoln Hall – **will** be allowed if self-isolating. Please clear with Housing prior to travel as documentation will be required.
- **Quarantine:** If a resident does not meet the requirements of the State of Hawai'i Pre-Travel Testing Program, then this will be a strict quarantine per State of Hawai'i regulations and [EWC Housing Quarantine Guidelines](#). Students may not quarantine off-campus.

Reservations required for Lincoln Hall post-travel

- If a resident wishes to complete their self-isolation at Lincoln Hall, they must notify Housing in advance of travel and make a room reservation for the 10-day period after return.
- If residents choose to retain their HM/HK room they will have to pay for the 10 nights at Lincoln Hall in addition to their HM or HK room.
- Lincoln Hall stays will be at the published participant rate equal to their respective room rate at HM or HK (\$16/night for a single or \$25/night for a double).

The travel policy could change

This policy will be in place starting May 16, 2021, unless there is a significant change in the COVID-19 situation in Hawai'i (either for better or for worse).

Please be advised that new rules and restrictions on travel could be imposed at any time, both in the State of Hawai'i or in locations where students are traveling. This policy does not guarantee against the possibility of having to undergo a strict quarantine upon return should state or city/county policies change.

Housing Policy for residents whose awards will be ending

- A maximum 30-Day extension may be requested.
- No additional extension requests will be accepted.
- Extraordinary requests should be directed to the Housing Office.

Please contact the Housing Office with any questions or concerns at: Housing@eastwestcenter.org.