

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

These policies will be in place from May 16, 2021, through August 1, 2021, unless there is a significant change in the COVID-19 situation in Hawai'i (either for worse or for better).

Off-Island Travel

This policy applies to all students regardless of vaccine status and covers all travel off the island of O'ahu, including to other islands in the state.

- CDC recommends that you do not travel at this time. **Delay travel and stay home to protect yourself and others from COVID-19.** The discovery of new COVID-19 variants adds to the uncertainty and complexity of travel. Additional caution is called for.
- Residents are **strongly encouraged NOT to participate in non-essential travel at this time.** Non-essential travel may be subject to additional Lincoln Hall room charges.
- If you decide to travel, please note that Housing will not be accepting returns before July 3, 2021.

Self-isolation or quarantine required if you do travel

- If residents must travel, they will need to spend two weeks in Lincoln Hall in either self-isolation or *quarantine* before returning to EWC dorms.
 - o **Self-Isolation:** If residents have met 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 14 days (their room key will be disabled).
 - o **Quarantine:** If residents did 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](#).

Reservations required for Lincoln Hall post-travel

- Residents must notify Housing and their Program Coordinator in advance of travel and make a Lincoln Hall reservation with Housing for the 14-day period after return.
- Residents will have to pay for the 14 nights at Lincoln Hall in addition to their HM or HK room, if they choose to retain their HM or HK room.
- Lincoln Hall stays Hall 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).
- Staying with friends or at another location – instead of at Lincoln Hall – is not allowed.

The travel policy could change

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. That quarantine can take place at Lincoln Hall.

If you are planning travel, be advised that accommodations for quarantine are limited. Please speak with your EWC Program Coordinator early on to work out time frames for your travel and return.

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 from resident through EP Program Coordinator.