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Dear Student,

We hope you enjoy the term break next week! Now that we are halfway through the term, we encourage you to take this time off to reset and celebrate your accomplishments! Spend some time doing something you enjoy, whether exploring Calgary and the surrounding area or maybe just relaxing at home with a cup of hot chocolate.

Wishing you a pleasant term break,

International Student Services

Important dates and information

- **Feb. 20–26:** Term break (no classes)
- **Feb. 21:** Alberta Family Day (university closure)
- **Feb. 28:** Return to in-person classes

COVID-19 Public health action update

On Feb. 9, 2022, [Alberta entered step 1](#) of the COVID-19 public health actions plan to ease measures. In response, UCalgary has also provided updates on its COVID-19 policies.

To learn more:

- [COVID-19 public health actions – Alberta.ca](#)
 - [Update on UCalgary COVID policies – UCalgary.ca](#)
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Easing of travel requirements

Effective as of Feb. 28, 2022, at 12:01 a.m. EST, the Government of Canada will start to ease the travel requirements to enter Canada for **fully vaccinated travellers**.

- Fully-vaccinated travellers randomly selected for arrival testing will no longer need to quarantine while waiting for results.
- COVID-19 rapid antigen test result will now be accepted for the pre-arrival COVID-19 test. The rapid test must be authorized by the country in which it was purchased and must be administered by a laboratory, healthcare entity or telehealth service taken one day prior to the scheduled flight or arrival.

[Learn more »](#)

February term break holiday travel reminder

The Canadian government continues to discourage non-essential travel as the COVID-19 situation remains dynamic, and rapid changes can occur. Please note that, as of Feb. 9, 2022, the Government of Alberta has engaged in [Step 1 of lifting public health measures](#).

All international students planning to travel during the term break will need to ensure that they meet travel requirements and have the proper documentation to re-enter Canada.

Know before you go!

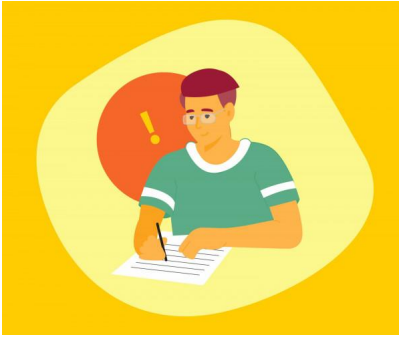
- [ISS COVID-19 FAQ page – UCalgary.ca](#)
- [COVID-19 Boarding flights and trains in Canada – Travel.gc.ca](#)
- [COVID-19 vaccinated travellers entering Canada: Travel restrictions in Canada – Travel.gc.ca](#)
- [Government of Canada provides update about Canada’s border measures – Canada.ca](#)

Information and opportunities

Parking fines paid this week will support the SU Campus Food Bank

Have you got outstanding parking fines? Pay them between Feb. 14 - 20, and half of the proceeds will be donated to the SU Campus Food Bank. If you are not sure how to pay your parking ticket, please visit the [Parking and Transportation webpage](#).

Events and workshops



Navigating Online Assessments

In this session, an advisor from the Student Success Centre will support you in preparing for online assessments. You will also discuss both how to prepare for your quizzes/exams and what to do during these assessments.

Date: Thursday, Feb. 17

Time: 2 – 2:50 p.m. MST



Getting great reference letters

Reference letters are required components of many applications. In this workshop, an advisor from Student Success Centre will explore the attributes of a strong reference letter and share tips on selecting and asking people to be your referee.

Date: Tuesday, Feb. 22

Time: Noon – 1 p.m. MST



Academic writing and culture

This webinar is for international graduate students looking for resources on campus to help them improve and enhance their academic writing.

Date: Monday, Feb. 28

Time: 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. MST

Do you want more events?

Check out our **ISS Events calendar** for a list of events and workshops for international students.

Are you interested in events hosted by other offices? Visit the following:

- **Career Services**
- **Faith and Spirituality Centre**
- **Leadership and Student Engagement**
- **Money Smart**
- **Student Success Centre**
- **Student Wellness**
- **Women's Resource Centre**

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