Dear CHHS community,

After deliberation, CHHS has decided to expand the international experience waiver to include all CHHS students who will graduate in August 2023 or before. Please note that while the travel component of the international experience is waived, the academic component remains a graduation requirement.

Alternative SDSU course options are available to fulfill the international requirement for all students graduating through August 2023 with submission of a RAAR. Many of these courses also satisfy additional graduation requirements. As an example, HHS 350 fulfills the international requirement, explorations b, and the cultural diversity requirement. In fall 2021, spring 2022, fall 2022, and spring 2023, HHS 350 will be modified and will not require international travel.

There are two scheduling codes for HHS 350 in the fall semester. For students only taking the modified course, the scheduling code is 06911 (Intl Experience Alternative). For students completing an internship, volunteer, or virtual program before the course, the scheduling code is 13888 (International Experience).

We are optimistically planning to run HHS 350 travel programs and SDSU faculty-led Global Seminars again starting summer 2022. Some SDSU semester programs ARE available fall 2021 and spring 2022 for interested students.

We understand the pandemic has been difficult on many students’ health, finances, academics and work lives, and hope this waiver extension will provide many options to satisfy the international requirement that fit students’ individual needs.

The attached document outlines the types of programs available to students, and when each type of program is available.

Many Independent programs are still running summer 2021 and winter break 2021/22. Please consider the risks involved with traveling internationally before enrolling in a summer break program. If you are interested in a virtual or in-person international experience, a list of service learning, study programs, and internships can be found on Aztecs Abroad.

Please direct any questions to chhsintl@sdsu.edu.

Best,
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