Florida Atlantic University  
Study Abroad Safety and Security Committee

FAU strives to make overseas learning and academic work experiences accessible to all who are interested. At the same time the safety and security of our students and faculty are of the highest concern. Potential risks and hazards are often associated with international travel for educational purposes. In order to insure the safety and well being of FAU students, faculty, and employees, and in consultation with the Office of the Provost and the Office of the President, the Office of International Programs has created a FAU Study Abroad Safety and Security Committee. The Committee (hereafter the SSC) will advise OIP and the university on best practices in the areas of student safety and program security for overseas studies. Areas to examine include but are not limited to appropriate student codes of conduct, pre-departure orientation practices, contingency planning for study abroad programs, student and faculty waiver forms, health insurance and evacuation policies, and student and program incident management. The SSC will further review all approved faculty led study abroad program safety plans prior to their commencement, and ask faculty to make appropriate adjustments if needed. The committee may take up other issues that may arise at the request of OIP or at the suggestion of a committee member.

Committee Membership:

Director, Office of International Programs (OIP)  Catherine Meschievitz  
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