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BACKGROUND

The purpose of this document is to provide a summary of activities, initiatives, plans and communications across U of T regarding the US executive order issued on January 27, 2017.

This document continues to be updated as information becomes available. Additional information is available on the [U of T Immigration website](#).

We want to thank our University community for providing assistance to those who are affected by the US travel ban. Your continuous support in communicating detailed information and initiatives for the purposes of information sharing for our community is much appreciated.

Questions can be directed to **Professor Joseph Wong, Associate Vice-President and Vice-Provost, International Student Experience** at avp.international@utoronto.ca.

Other institutions can visit the [Human Resources and Equity website](#) for further information regarding [Immigration](#) at the University of Toronto.

1. Statements in response to the US Executive Order

- Office of the President: “University of Toronto keeping close watch on impact of US travel restrictions” – January 29, 2017
- Department for the Study of Religion, Faculty of Arts and Science: “Statement on US Executive Order on Immigration” – January 29, 2017
- Department of Political Science , Faculty of Arts and Science: “Executive order on 7-nation ban: A statement from the Department of Political Science” – January 30, 2017
- University of Toronto Faculty Association: “Tragic events in Quebec and crisis in the U.S.” – January 30, 2017
- Faculty of Law: “Message from Dean Ed Iacobucci on recent events in the United States and Quebec” – January 31, 2017
- Rotman School of Management: “Rotman School of Management is offering to help business scholars and students affected by the US restrictions” – February 1, 2017
- School of Graduate Studies: “Travel Restrictions: Support for Grad Units” – February 3, 2017
- Department of History , Faculty of Arts and Science: “Statement on US Executive Order on Immigration” – February 6, 2017
- Faculty of Music: Statement from Acting Dean and Associate Dean, Academic & Student Affairs (sent via email)
- Department of Anthropology , Faculty of Arts and Science: “Statement on US Executive Order on Immigration”
- New College: “Statement on the United States Presidential Executive Order Travel Ban” – February 16, 2017
- Department of Political Science, Faculty of Arts and Science: “Trump’s Revised Travel Ban: A further statement from the Department of Political Science, U of T” – March 8, 2017

2. U of T News

- “University of Toronto faculty, experts and students respond to Trump's travel ban” – February 1, 2017
- “Here's what happened when U of T students urged people to open their homes to people affected by Trump travel ban” – February 2, 2017
- “U of T community gathers for Bordering Injustice: How Should We Respond to Trump’s Ban” – February 13, 2017

3. Offer of Assistance and Information

- Department for the Study of Religion , Faculty of Arts and Science: “[Message to DSR Students on the US Travel Ban](#)” – January 30, 2017
- Faculty of Law: “[NB: JD applications deadline extended in light of US situation](#)” – January 31, 2017
- Faculty of Law: “[Message from Dean Ed Iacobucci](#)” to host and relocate workshop from Columbia Law School in New York in March to Toronto – January 31, 2017
- Office of the Vice-President and Provost and Office of the Vice-President, Human Resources and Equity: “[US Travel Restrictions \(PDAD&C #59\)](#)” – February 3, 2017
- U of T faculty through [The Science Solidarity List](#): Offer of computers, workspace, laboratory and library access – ongoing
- Department of Political Science, Faculty of Arts and Science: Offer of computers and workspace for scholars who are stranded in Toronto – ongoing
- Centre of International Experience: Supporting students who are inquiring about potential impact of the US travel ban – ongoing
- Associate Vice-President and Vice-Provost, International Student Experience: Supporting faculty and staff with questions on how they can assist those affected by the US travel ban – ongoing
- School of Graduate Studies: Extending application deadlines for graduate programs and waiving graduate program application fees for those affected by the US travel ban – 2017/18 academic year
- Massey College Scholars at Risk Program: scholarship available to undergraduate applicants via [Enrolment Services](#) and graduate applicants via [Massey College](#)
- Department of History, Faculty of Arts and Science: Discussions about the creation of “emergency visiting scholar/student” positions – ongoing
- Department of Human Geography and City Studies, University of Toronto Scarborough: Faculty members’ blog on [Sanctuary Cities](#) and campuses
- Various faculty members and students: Individual suggestions regarding education and awareness events for the University community regarding Islamophobia, xenophobia, racism, Canadian history, etc.
- Office of Government, Institutional and Community Relations: Government advocacy efforts on Canadian immigration issues – ongoing

4. Data Collection

- Associate Vice-President and Vice-Provost, International Student Experience: “[US Travel Restrictions](#) – How our community can help” – February 3, 2017
- School of Graduate Studies: Students who have been affected by the US travel restrictions have been requested to complete a form – February 6, 2017
- Universities Canada: Urgent request for information on scope and scale of impact of US executive order on immigration on campus – February 9, 2017

5. Events

- The Association of Mechanical and Industrial Engineering Graduate Students: Town Hall about US 28/02/2017 Muslim Ban – February 3, 2017
- Faculty of Law: “[Law in the Age of Trump - Panel Discussion](#)” – February 6, 2017
- Department of Political Science, Faculty of Arts and Science: “Confronting Islamophobia as Political Science Professors, Instructors and TAs” – February 9, 2017
- Department for the Study of Religion, Faculty of Arts and Science: Town Hall meeting for its faculty, graduate, and undergraduate students – February 9, 2017
- Faculty of Law: “[Bordering Injustice: How Should We Respond to Trump's Ban?](#)” – February 10, 2017 (Sponsored by: Centre for Criminology and Sociolegal Studies; International Human Rights Program at the Faculty of Law; University of Toronto Faculty Association; Anthropology; Geography and Planning; Historical and Cultural Studies, UTSC; History; Molecular Genetics; Women and Gender Studies.)
- Department for the Study of Religion, Faculty of Arts and Science: Dedicated class session (JPR364- Religion and Politics) to teaching on the Executive Order and its implications
- University of Toronto Students’ Union: [Anti- Islamophobia Week](#)
- Centre for the Study of the United States, Munk School of Global Affairs, Faculty of Arts and Science: [Ongoing events](#)
- Anthropology Graduate Student Union: Medusa Graduate Student Conference [Special Session: Research Presentations from Graduate Students Affected by U.S. Travel Ban](#) – March 15, 2017 (The Anthropology Graduate Student Union is hosting a special session as part of its 4th annual Medusa Graduate Student Conference. This special session is organized for participants who can no longer attend due to the travel ban. This event will feature research presentations from students joining online from around the world and in Toronto. Special Discussant: Dr. Andrea Muehlebach.)