

## ***Cancellation of International Group Winter Term Projects***

A decision to cancel a program will be made only after careful consideration of all available information and consultation with any of the following: the Trip Leader, On-Campus Sponsor, Office of Study Away, Oberlin College Dean of Students, Dean's Offices in both the Conservatory and College of Arts and Sciences, destination country contacts and officials, the US State Department, and institutional counsel. The final decision to cancel a program before it has started, or to bring students back from a program that has already begun, will be made by the Office of Study Away.

Events that might lead to a trip cancellation include (but are not limited to):

- a declaration of war by the U.S. against the country where the program is located or an adjacent neighbor;
- declaration of war by a third country against the country of the program's location;
- significant terrorist activity in the program city or country;
- protracted or indefinite closure of the host institution(s);
- inability of the local support staff to organize and carry out the program;
- disruption of public utilities and/or services;
- wide-spread civil unrest, violence and/or rioting;
- a declaration of martial law in the program city;
- recommendation of suspension/cancellation by the faculty program directors in-country;
- a significant health threat;
- a natural disaster or other catastrophic event;
- a travel warning and /or specific directive by the U.S. State Department and / or U.S. Embassy;
- insufficient enrollment rendering the budget untenable;
- inability of the Trip Leader to participate in the program (for example, because of personal health issues);
- failure to comply with Oberlin College policies and procedures.