Our Commitment to International Students and Scholars
International Student and Scholar Community

- International Undergrad: 4,844
- International Grad: 2,082
- Total International: 7,264

International Scholars: 338

14.4%
Immigration Executive Orders

**JANUARY 27**
President issues Executive Order banning entry for 90 days by citizens from Iraq, Syria, Iran, Libya, Somalia, Sudan and Yemen. The order also indefinitely halts refugees from Syria.

**FEBRUARY 9**
Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals prevents government from enforcing entry ban.

**MARCH 15-16**
Travel ban blocked, first by a judge in Hawaii, followed by a judge in Maryland. The restraining order applied nationwide.

**JANUARY 28-29**
Judges in New York and Massachusetts temporarily block order.

**MARCH 6**
New Executive Order with revised travel ban. Iraq removed from list of restricted countries.

**MARCH 29**
Federal judge in Hawaii converts temporary restraining order to preliminary injunction.

**TODAY**
Travel ban remains blocked.
Potential MSU Impacts

Undergraduate: 10
Graduate: 94
Scholars: 18

Students & Scholars: 122
- Iran: 104
- Syria: 4
- Libya: 12
- Somalia: 1
- Sudan: 1

DACA: 10
Two University Committees

EXECUTIVE TASK FORCE
High-level administrators of critical and applicable units.

- Oversight
- Policy
- Strategy

OPERATIONS TEAM
On-the-ground staff closely interacting with students.

- Advising
- Communications
- Coordination
Executive Task Force

- Denise Maybank (Student Affairs)
- Sekhar Chivukula (Undergrad Education)
- Judith Stoddart (Grad Education)
- Radhika Pasricha (General Counsel)
- Vennie Gore (Residential & Hospitality Services)
- Mark Burnam (Government Affairs)
- David Thronson (Immigration Law Clinic)
- Heather Swain (CABS)
- Paulette Granberry Russel (OI3)
- John Gaboury (Provost Office)
- Doug Gage (Research and Graduate Studies)
- Sarah Walter (MSU D.C. office)
- Beth Alexander (Human Medicine)
- John Hudzik (Former VP of Global Engagement)
MSU Responses/Statements

President’s Office
OIII
OISS
MSU Colleges and Departments

“You Are Welcome Here” Video
Video featuring campus & community leaders
Rallies and Open Letters

Information Sessions
Town Halls
Advising

“Our students and scholars come from around the world to become Spartans, and then return to the world to make it better.”

MSU President
Lou Anna K. Simon
Town Halls & Info Sessions

**February 1:** Addressed the EO signed January 27th in terms of what it meant, how it affected students/scholars, and what support resources/services were available; Streamed live on the internet and audio portion was available on the OISS webpage. ~Attendance 200.

**March 16:** Addressed EO signed March 6th in terms of university responses to student questions about how their academics would be supported. ~Attendance 30.

**OISS Immigration Sessions**
February 7-10: Four sessions to answer questions from international students/scholars about EO immigration issues.

**OISS/MSP/Olin Psychiatry Emotional Support sessions**
February 3 & 6: Dr. Farha Abbasi, Clinical Psychiatrist, Olin Health Center

“Hear Us” Support rally (Persian Student Association)
February 8: Sponsored by MSP; featured OISS Director.
Contact Info: Immigration Issues

- oiss.isp.msu.edu
- Portal for MSU information about EOs relative to travel bans.
- First point of contact

Features:
- E.O. updates
- FAQ’s
- Campus and community resources
- Additional points of contacts

- 517-353-1720 oiss@msu.edu
Contact Info: Academic Issues

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**Graduate Students**
Associate Dean Tony Nunez

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Contact Info: Health and Safety

Office for International Health and Safety
- oihs@msu.edu
- 24/7 Emergency Line
  +1-517-353-3784

oihs.isp.msu.edu
Additional Resources

- List of local Immigration Attorneys
- Talking Points to Dean/Dir/Chair, Advisors, and Counselors
- OIHS 24/7 Emergency Hotline
- RSAC Procedures for Students Abroad
- OISS Information Sheet if Detained
Support Units

- Counseling Center, Olin Health Center, or Student Affairs and Services for Student Support
- The MSU College of Law Immigration Law Clinic
- Office for Inclusion and Intercultural Initiatives
- Employee Assistance Program for Faculty and Staff
Student Concerns

General
- Clarifications on who is affected and how
- Immigration rights and responsibilities
- What documents to carry
- Changes in status

Academic
- University support
- Ability to continue programs
- Anxiety affecting academic productivity

Health & Safety
- Emotional toll
- Personal safety, harassment
Principles of Support

Values Statement

Michigan State University is committed to our institutional values: quality, inclusiveness, and connectivity. We embrace building a vibrant, intellectual community that offers and respects a broad range of ideas and perspectives. As an intentional global university, we value the diversity and richness that international students, faculty, and staff contribute to the university and to the community.

Students from countries around the world play an invaluable role in MSU’s classrooms, labs, and community as we work to solve problems and change lives locally, nationally, and globally.

While U.S. immigration policies evolve, MSU remains committed to providing students from impacted countries the opportunity to receive a quality educational experience.
Principles of Support
MSU will work with impacted students to:

• Provide timely updates and answer questions about the implications of shifting immigration laws, policies, and practices
• Continue to accept and admit students from impacted countries
• Defer admission of accepted students whose arrival is delayed
• Explore opportunities for students who have made significant progress toward their degrees, but are unable to return to campus, to complete studies and be awarded an MSU degree
Principles of Support
MSU will work with impacted students to:

• Help students identify alternative funding sources for students who are unable to return to campus, or to leave campus, and who lose access to financial support because of immigration related travel restrictions

• Provide high quality individualized academic advising to all students who find themselves facing difficulty related to immigration or travel complications, through a central point person in the Graduate School and the Office of the Associate Provost for Undergraduate Education

• Advise and assist graduating students who are pursuing practical training to complement their education

• Evaluate and prioritize assistance, acknowledging the importance of keeping families together
Thank You