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Instructions for taking a dependent abroad...

A “dependent” includes a spouse, registered domestic partner or child.

If you are planning to take a dependent abroad:

1. Review the [list of UCEAP programs](#) with restrictions on taking dependents.
2. Notify the advisor at your campus study abroad office.
3. Complete and return the required [Memorandum of Understanding](#) to the UCEAP Systemwide Office.
4. Read all information and tips that will help you prepare, and complete the necessary paperwork required before departure.

Limited UCEAP programs are open to dependents

Some programs limit dependents that may accompany you, and some programs do not allow dependents at all. Review this [list of UCEAP programs](#) that limit or restrict participation of dependents.

You are financially responsible for all expenses associated with dependents

You must have adequate financial resources to cover the extra costs of your dependent(s). Consider visas/residence permits, housing, childcare, work opportunities, limitations and unexpected expenses or emergencies. You will sign a contract ([Memorandum of Understanding](#)) with UCEAP stating you will be responsible for all costs; make sure you can comply with the contract.

Insurance for Eligible Dependents

UCEAP strongly encourages you to purchase adequate insurance coverage for any eligible dependent. Item #4 in the [Memorandum of Understanding](#) explains the UCEAP travel insurance coverage options for your dependent(s) and provides directions for online payment and registration.

Consider the logistics and planning required

There is much planning involved with bringing a dependent on UCEAP.

Consider how you will meet the following needs:

- visas/residence permits
- food and housing
- childcare
- schooling for child
- insurance
- work
- scheduling around program activities

**SCHOOLING FOR CHILDREN**

Although homeschooling is legal in the US, it is not legal in many countries around the world. If you are planning to homeschool dependents on UCEAP, it is your responsibility to contact the embassy or consulate of your UCEAP country to find out, in writing, if homeschooling is legal and/or whether you must follow compulsory attendance laws. If it is legal, plan ahead how your children can be schooled while you are in class or on class excursions, and whether you will need to take with you educational materials. Find out if educational authorities assess homeschooled children and if there are educational guidelines you must follow. If homeschooling is illegal, do not plan on doing so; violations of local law would subject you to dismissal from the program.