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To: Students, parents, and families,

We understand that the situation in Ukraine has raised some questions about the Georgia Tech-Lorraine (GTL) summer program. The safety of our students, faculty, and staff is our top priority, and with this in mind, Georgia Tech and the Georgia Tech-Lorraine campus are continuing to monitor the situation in Ukraine and will follow guidance from the U.S. Department of State, the University System of Georgia, and risk assessments from expert organizations. At this time, there is no indication that travel to Europe is impacted except for travel to Russia, Ukraine, Moldova, and Belarus, and there is no guidance recommending changes to our planned summer 2022 program at GTL. If this guidance changes, we will contact you about anything impacting the operation of the GTL summer program.

Important considerations for GTL’s Summer 2022 program:

- All students should review any email communications from GTL program contacts, Ms. Catherine Bass and Dr. Paul Voss, and contact them with any questions or concerns. Specific risk management guidelines regarding student travel in Europe while at GTL and periodic campus check-ins may be required and communicated via email or in student orientations closer to the program start-date.
- Information about GTL’s withdrawals, refunds and cancelations can be found [here](#).
- We always recommend students purchase trip insurance to safeguard any flight changes or cancelations in the event of unforeseen individual issues preventing travel, program changes or adjustments. An optional CFAR/IFAR (Cancel For Any Reason) policy is available for students through CISI. Information about that can be found [here](#).
- Details regarding GT’s mandatory insurance coverage provided through CISI (approved by the USG) can be found [here](#). In the event of a security issue, Georgia Tech will coordinate emergency response through CISI.

We welcome our GTL summer 2022 cohort and know they will have an exciting and life-changing international experience.

Sincerely,

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