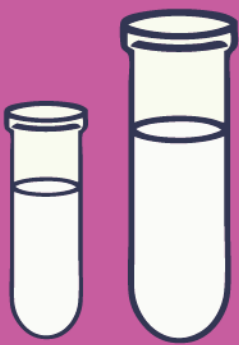


# Travel *at* State

TIP OF THE WEEK

## TRAVELING WITH RESEARCH SAMPLES



### ENTRY REQUIREMENT

- International travelers returning to the US with research samples are required to declare samples to US Customs & Border Protection Agency (CBP) for entry processing.

### GOVERNMENT AGENCIES

- 47 Participating Government Agencies (PGA's) may have controlling interest over samples including:
  - FDA , EPA, USDA, and FWS



### SAMPLES INCLUDE:

- Biological samples such as human, animal, agriculture and microbiological
- Chemical samples
- Environmental samples
- Artifacts

### REQUIREMENTS

- Travelers declaring sample entry are liable for information and documentation provided to CBP.
- Avoid unnecessary entry delays, forfeiture of samples, and PGA enforcement actions, by researching the import and permit requirements in advance.



### RECOMMENDATIONS

- Consider sending samples back through MSU Preferred Air Service Couriers FedEx and/or DHL.
- Preplan the self-declared entry.

### GET STARTED!

- Click [here](#) for further information on traveling with research samples.
- Contact University Services Logistics in advance to coordinate the customs entry requirements.

