



Road crash deaths and injuries are a public health epidemic.

Approximately 1.35 million people die in road crashes each year and an additional 20–50 million suffer non-fatal injuries, often resulting in long-term disabilities.

ASIRT's mission is to improve the safety of travelers on the world's roads through information, advocacy and partnerships.

INFORMATION

Road crashes are the leading cause of death for Americans traveling abroad. Travelers are particularly vulnerable because of their lack of familiarity with local road laws, culture, and conditions and travel options. ASIRT works to raise awareness and provide life-saving information to travelers because **the safest traveler is the well-informed traveler.**

ADVOCACY

Travelers are vulnerable to road safety conditions everywhere. Road crash deaths and injuries are a serious public health epidemic. ASIRT works with governments, agencies and institutions to advocate for legislation, policy, data collection and reporting that prioritizes road safety in the United States and abroad—locations where American families, students, professionals and military personnel live, work, study and travel.

PARTNERSHIPS

ASIRT is a leader in the global road safety community and is active in forums worldwide, sharing best practices and consulting on initiatives and policies. We partner and have worked with: the World Health Organization; United Nations; World Bank; Centers for Disease Control; U.S. Department of Transportation; U.S. Department of State; Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health; Global Road Safety Partnership; Global Alliance of NGOs for Road Safety; Forum for Education Abroad; universities, colleges and high schools; governments; embassies; corporations, and others.

ASIRT MEMBERSHIPS

While road safety conditions in a country affect its own citizens, travelers remain a highly vulnerable group of road users in any country. To prepare for safe travel, become an ASIRT member and gain access to ASIRT's road safety resources. Memberships are available for education abroad programs, corporations that send employees to work and live abroad, humanitarian missions and individual tourists.

For membership rates and details, contact asirt@asirt.org or 240-249-0100.

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ASIRT EDUCATION ABROAD PROGRAM

The safest traveler is the well-informed traveler. Students and faculty trained in safe road practices and given information to help navigate the world's roads are more prepared to make wise travel choices.

4,000 Students

Since 1999, ASIRT has provided member colleges and universities with vital road safety information for risk managers, program administrators, faculty leaders and students. In a typical year, ASIRT resources are available to approximately 4,000 students and faculty leaders through the ASIRT Education Abroad Program.

90 Road Safety Reviews

ASIRT collects, analyzes and produces comprehensive road safety information in four-page reports for more than 90 countries. These internationally recognized *Road Safety Reviews (RSR)* describe road conditions; road culture; pedestrian, passenger and cycle safety tips; and other important information. Reports can be customized to meet a school's specific needs.

Country-Specific RSR Highlights

- Know Before You Go (Pre-Travel Information)
- Driving Culture
- Road Conditions
- Dangerous Roads
- Pedestrian and Cyclist Infrastructure and Safety
- Night Travel Precautions
- Regional and Seasonal Conditions
- Public and Private Transportation Safety Options
- Traffic Regulations
- Enforcement of Regulations
- Common Street Signs
- Road Safety in Major Cities
- Rural Information
- Emergency Information and Procedures

[View sample Road Safety Reviews.](#)

ASIRT INFORMS TRAVELERS

Road crashes are the single greatest risk for travelers abroad, and young people ages 15-29 are at greatest risk. To help keep students and faculty safe, ASIRT provides the education abroad community with resources and information to assist program administrators, risk managers, faculty leaders and students to make informed choices in arranging road itineraries and travel plans. ASIRT supports the education abroad community with information about the potential risks that may be encountered while traveling on the roads abroad and enables education abroad communities to establish responsive policies and practices.

ASIRT is a member of the Forum for Education Abroad, participates in NAFSA programs and collaborates with organizations including the CDC, U.S. Department of State and WHO.

ASIRT EDUCATION ABROAD MEMBERSHIP PROVIDES:

Road Safety Reviews. Comprehensive, country-specific, user-friendly reports describe general road conditions; frequent road crash sites; driving regulations; driver behaviors; urban, rural, night and seasonal travel conditions; pedestrian, passenger and cycle safety tips; and quality and availability of emergency medical care, emergency procedures and contact information.

A Global Road Safety Toolbox for the Study Abroad Community. Through a series of checklists and role-play scenarios, this *Toolbox* is designed to help program administrators and students plan safe itineraries, broaden their understanding of road realities and plan for road conditions while traveling abroad.

Road Safety Webinars. Webinars are designed for program administrators and risk managers interested in learning how to implement road safety initiatives. Sessions include strategies and best practices that incorporate road safety training into program and itinerary planning and student orientations. Webinars can be tailored to address the specific needs of participants.

Language Cards. *Speak Up for Safety* cards, available in Chinese, Farsi, French, Russian and Spanish, can be placed in a cell phone wallet and include safety phrases travelers can use to feel safe and communicate in a variety of travel situations.

[Learn more](#) about becoming an ASIRT member, including discounts for first-time and renewing members.

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