TST (TUBERCULIN SKIN TEST) IS REQUIRED FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS FROM THE COUNTRIES LISTED BELOW AND STUDENTS WHO HAVE TRAVELED TO THESE COUNTRIES.

Tuberculosis (TB) is still a worldwide health problem. Screening for TB means assessing each student’s risk for developing active TB while on campus at New Paltz and further testing those students at increased risk. Students with a Tuberculin Skin Test or a blood test that indicates exposure to TB are required to have a chest x-ray to be TB compliant at New Paltz.

High Risk Countries:
Afghanistan, Algeria, Angola, Argentina, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Belarus, Belize, Benin, Bhutan, Bolivia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Botswana, Brazil, Brunei Darussalam, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cabo Verde, Cambodia, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Chad, China, Colombia, Comoros, Congo, Cote d’Ivoire, Democratic People’s Republic of Korea, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Djibouti, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Equatorial Guinea, Eritrea, Estonia, Ethiopia, Fiji, Gabon, Gambia, Georgia, Ghana, Guatemala, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, India, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Kiribati, Kuwait, Kyrgyzstan, Lao People’s Democratic Republic, Latvia, Lesotho, Liberia, Libya, Lithuania, Madagascar, Malawi, Malaysia, Maldives, Mali, Marshall Islands, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mexico, Micronesia, Mongolia, Morocco, Mozambique, Myanmar, Namibia, Nauru, Nepal, Nicaragua, Niger, Nigeria, Niue, Pakistan, Palau, Panama, Papua New Guinea, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Qatar, Republic of Korea, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russia, Rwanda, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Sao Tome and Principe, Senegal, Serbia, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, Singapore, Solomon Islands, Somalia, South Africa, South Sudan, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Suriname, Swaziland, Tajikistan, Thailand, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Timor-Leste, Togo, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Turkey, Turkmenistan, Tuvalu, Uganda, Ukraine, United Republic of Tanzania, Uruguay, Uzbekistan, Vanuatu, Venezuela, Vietnam, Yemen, Zambia, Zimbabwe

(Based on 2012 WHO statistics)

Are you a student from one of the high risk countries listed above? □ Y □ N

If yes where were you born?

Do you have signs or symptoms of active TB?
(Unexplained cough greater than 2 weeks duration, fevers, chills, night sweats, weight loss or swollen glands)

□ Y □ N

Tuberculosis Screening Questions:

Have you ever had close contact with anyone who was sick with TB? □ Y □ N
If yes when?

Have you traveled to a country listed above within the past five years?
□ Y □ N
If yes when? _____________________
If yes which country? ____________________

Have you ever been an employee or volunteer in a correctional facility, nursing home, homeless shelter or other health care facility within the last five years?
□ Y □ N
If yes when? _____________________
If yes what facility? ____________________

Are you taking immunosuppressant medications such as prednisone?
□ Y □ N

Have you received an organ transplant?
□ Y □ N

Do you have HIV disease?
□ Y □ N

Any yes response to questions above requires a TST to be done

Students with a history of a previously positive TST or have been vaccinated with BCG should consider having a TB blood test to further evaluate their risk of developing active TB.

Have you previously had a positive TST? □ Y □ N
Yes answer indicates a need for a chest x-ray

Have you previously received a Bacille Calmette-Guerin (BCG) vaccination? □ Y □ N
A history of BCG vaccination should not preclude testing a member of a high risk group.