
Agreement to Provide Services/ Student Agreement and Assumption of Risk

“The Student,” _____, has chosen to participate
(Print Name)
in the Columbia State International Education program in _____ country
beginning on _____ date and ending on _____.

AGREEMENT TO PROVIDE SERVICES

This agreement is between the above-named student and Columbia State Community College.

Columbia State Community College agrees to:

1. provide the Student with information regarding the program of his/her choice;
2. assist the Student with preparation for the program by providing written materials and a pre-departure orientation;
3. make rules and regulations concerning Student conduct that are designed to safeguard his/her health and well-being;
4. provide a program director and faculty to administer the program abroad and oversee the Student’s welfare at the foreign site;
5. upon successful completion of the program by the Student, assign grades for academic courses;
6. exercise reasonable care in planning the itinerary and selecting the program facilities.
(NOTE: The program may not be able to duplicate standards of safety and accessibility found in the U.S.)

STUDENT AGREEMENT AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK

(Please INITIAL in the space following each item after you have read it)

By accepting a place on a Columbia State program abroad, the Student understands that being the age of legal majority, he/she must accept full responsibility for his/her own choices, decisions and behavior in the program setting. The Student understands and agrees that foreign travel presents risks to the student and his/her property. These can include, among others: unfamiliar or different terrain, climate, food and drink, customs, laws, social and sexual mores, safety practices and regulations, communications, criminal and law enforcement activities, disability access, traffic patterns, disease risks, and health care. The above-named Student, who is of sound mind and eighteen (18) years of age or older, agrees to:

1. inform himself/herself fully about the program, its activities and the expected risks involved in participation, including but not limited to the differing cultural values and norms that will apply in the host country. _____
2. participate fully in the program by attending the mandatory student orientation, all required academic classes and excursions, remaining with the program and in program accommodations for the full academic term, and enrolling in at least one course (four

- courses for semester programs) for academic credit. Failure to participate fully in the academic program may result in the reduction of grade, the possibility of course failure, and/or expulsion from the program; _____
3. recognize that participation in the program is voluntary and assume the inherent risks of travel abroad; _____
 4. acknowledge that there is no assurance that the U. S. standards of hygiene, medical practice, and food and product safety are comparable or applicable in the host country. _____
 5. reimburse Columbia State for all unrecoverable costs made on his/her behalf if he/she withdraws or is expelled from the program at any time; _____
 6. reimburse Columbia State for any emergency expenses paid on his/her behalf during the program; _____
 7. be subject to the laws of the host country and accept responsibility for informing himself/herself with respect to those laws; _____
 8. adhere to all standards of conduct as defined in Columbia State International Education program contract, and the student conduct, rules and regulations of Columbia State, and cooperate with all directives and precautions issued by the program administrator(s); _____
 9. refrain from the misuse of alcohol and any use of controlled substances or drugs of any type; _____
 10. disclose any current or past medical condition (failure to disclose may result in removal from the program); _____
 11. agree to indemnify, hold harmless, release and discharge Columbia State, the Tennessee Board of Regents administrators, its Board of Regents and individual regents, its employees, and agents from any and all claims and expenses, including attorney's fees, for any injury, loss, or damage in any way related to or arising from the program abroad, including those related to travel to and from the program site, even if such injury, loss or damage is due to the negligence, whether ordinary or gross, of Columbia State or its employees; _____
 12. agree that the released parties assume no responsibility for any liability, damage, or injury that may be caused by the student's negligence or willful acts committed prior to, during, or after participation in the program; _____

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13. agree that the released parties assume no responsibility for the personal decisions, choices and activities of other program participants nor for the actions or persons not employed or otherwise engaged by the program for events that are not part of the program or that are beyond the control of the Program Leader, or for situations that may arise due to the failure of a participant to disclose pertinent information; _____
 14. accept termination of participation in the program abroad should his/her conduct be determined to be detrimental (see student code of conduct contract) to the best interest of the program or Columbia State and/or dangerous to self or others. Termination is a decision left to the sole discretion of the International Education Leader, with the concurrence of the Executive Vice President-Provost and Associate Vice President for Student Services. The Student is expected to bear the expense of transportation to return to the United States, and will receive no refund of fees in the event of dismissal, nor will academic credit be granted. Student agrees that she/he must return to the United States immediately following dismissal from the program. Student shall not be permitted to remain in the host country or travel to any country other than the U.S. _____
 15. accept termination of the program operation should Columbia State deem it unsafe for students to remain in the host country due to political instability, potential or actual terrorist acts, war or any other circumstance. Termination of program operation is a decision left to the sole discretion of the International Education Leader and the Columbia State Administration. _____
 16. affirmatively acknowledge that certain U.S. laws, including the Americans with Disabilities Act, and U.S. Constitutional Rights do not apply in foreign countries. _____

Student Name _____
(Please Print)

Program _____
(Please Print)

Signature: _____

Date: _____