

Longwood University Study Abroad Programs

CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION

I understand that Longwood University is not responsible for, and I release the University from any claims for, any injury or loss whatever suffered by me during my participation in any aspect of the Program.

I do waive and release any claims against Longwood University and host schools and organizations abroad for any injury, loss, damage, accident, delay or expense resulting from the use of any vehicle, any strikes, war, weather, sickness, quarantine, government restrictions or regulations or arising from any act or omission of any steamship, airline, railroad, bus company, taxi service, hotel, dormitory, restaurants, school, university, or other firm, agency, company, or individual. I also release Longwood University and agree to indemnify Longwood with regard to any financial obligations or liabilities that I may personally incur or any damage or injury to person or property of others that I may cause while participating in the Program.

Longwood University is not responsible for any injury or loss I may suffer when I am traveling independently or am otherwise separated or absent from any University-sponsored activities. If I become separated from the Program group, fail to meet a departure bus, airplane, train or other transport, or become sick or injured, I will at my own expense seek out, contact and reach the Program group at its next available destination. Any independent activity or travel in which I choose to become involved outside of the Program, before during or after the Program, will be at my expense and risk. Longwood University has no involvement in selecting the staff, route, schedule, transportation, facilities or equipment for activities that take place during unscheduled time; I will consider these factors carefully before deciding to become involved in any activity or travel outside the Program schedule. Longwood University staff members may from time to time provide participants with information regarding certain activities or travel destinations. In no way does this represent a Longwood University endorsement of those activities or destinations. I and my parents/guardians understand that Longwood University is not responsible for me while I am traveling independently or engaging in any activity during unscheduled time, and that Longwood University is not responsible for the safety or security of participants outside the Program.

I understand that Longwood University does not represent or act as an agent for, and cannot control the acts or omissions of, any host institution, host family, transportation carrier, hotel, tour organizer or other provider of goods or services involved in the Program. I understand that Longwood University is not responsible for matters that are beyond its control, and I hereby release the University from any injury, loss, damage, accident, delay, or expense arising from any such matters.

I hereby grant to Longwood University full authority to take whatever action Longwood may consider to be warranted under the circumstances regarding my health and safety, and I release Longwood from any liability for such decisions or actions as may be taken in connection therewith. I authorize Longwood University and its agents, at their discretion, to place me for my welfare at my own (or my parent's) expense and without my further consent and without my parent's further consent in a hospital within or outside of the United States for medical services and treatment, or if no hospital is readily available, to transport me back to the United States by commercial airline or otherwise, at my own expense or at my parent's expense, for medical treatment. In the event Longwood University or its agents advance or loan any monies to me or incur special expense on my behalf while I am abroad, I and my parents agree to make prompt repayment. I understand that I may be required to remain behind alone in the location where I am being treated while the rest of the group continues the program or returns to the U.S.

I will comply with the rules, standards and instructions for participants' behavior for the Program. I agree to indemnify Longwood University against any consequences of my failure to comply with such rules, standards and instruction. I agree that Longwood University shall have the right to enforce appropriate standards and that Longwood may at any time terminate my participation in the program for failure to maintain these standards or for any action or conduct which they consider to be detrimental to, or incompatible with, the interest, harmony, and welfare of other students. If my participation is terminated, I understand that I may be subject to judicial or disciplinary charges at Longwood University, and I consent to be sent home at my own or my parent's expense, with no refund of fees. I agree that Longwood University has the authority to accompany me to the nearest airport and to require that I purchase return passage home immediately. I understand that I may be required to remain abroad alone while the rest of the group returns to the U.S. in the event that my passport is lost or stolen, or in the event that my airline ticket or ticket for other means of transportation is lost or stolen, until such time as I can obtain a new passport or ticket and make travel arrangements. In the event Longwood University or its agents advance or loan any monies to me or incur special expense on my behalf while I am abroad, I and my parents agree to make prompt repayment. I understand that a "hold flag" will be placed on my records, preventing me from further registration, access to my transcript or other official transactions, until repayment is made.

On group tours or other activities arranged by Longwood University I will accept the will of the majority whatever matter of choice is presented to the group. I will also accept in good faith the instruction and suggestions of Longwood University in all matters relating to the Program or the personal conduct of Program participants. I understand that from time to time publicity material may include statements by its students and/or their photographs and I consent to such use of my comments and photographic likeness.

I understand that Longwood University reserves the right to cancel, change or substitute programs in cases of emergency, changed conditions, the interest of each group, insufficient number of participants, or otherwise to change initial campus and advisor assignments, and to make alterations in the Program and its activities and itineraries, as may be required in the judgment of Longwood University. In addition, I understand that fees and logistics are based on certain factors over which the Program has no control such as changes in currency exchange rates, tariffs, curriculum, inflation of other basic costs or strikes, revolutions, wars, and are subject to change.

I understand that Longwood University is relieved of all liability for items lost in delivery by U. S. Mail or otherwise. I understand and agree to the terms relating to refunds for program applicants set forth in the program information. All references to my parent shall include each of my parents, my legal guardians, and other adults responsible for me.

I have read the terms and conditions set forth in this agreement/release and understand they constitute a part of my agreement with Longwood University.

Date _____ Participant's signature _____

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Parent's signature Parent's signature