

Responsibilities of Study Abroad Participant

In study abroad, as in other settings, participants can have a major impact on their own health and safety abroad through the decisions they make before and during the program, and by their day-to-day choices and behaviors.

Participant agrees to:

1. Read and carefully consider all materials provided by the sponsor that relate to safety, health, legal, environmental, political, economic, cultural, and religious conditions in the host country or countries. This includes but is not necessarily limited to:
 - A. materials provided by the Program Director and any relevant U.S. Department of State information, including but not limited to U.S. Department of State Consular Information Sheets and U.S. Department of State Travel Warnings. This also means that participant agrees to review updated U.S. Department of State information available on the internet (www.travel.state.gov) relevant to the proposed study abroad experience between the execution of this agreement, participant's departure date, and throughout participant's stay abroad.
 - B. the Center for Disease Control and Prevention information provided by the Program Director and available on the internet (www.cdc.gov/travel/travel.html).
2. Consider participant's own health and other personal circumstances when applying for or accepting a place in a program.
3. Make available to the Program Director accurate and complete physical and mental health information and any other personal data that is necessary in planning for a safe and healthy study abroad experience, with the understanding that all such information and data will be kept confidential.
4. Assume responsibility for all the elements necessary for participant's personal preparation for the program and participate fully in orientations.
5. Obtain and maintain appropriate health insurance coverage for the duration of the study abroad program, abide by any conditions imposed by the carriers, and provide the Program Director with proof of satisfactory health insurance coverage for the duration of the study abroad program.
6. Consider informing parents/guardians/families, and any others who may need to know, about participant's participation in the study abroad program, provide them with emergency contact information, and keep them informed on an ongoing basis during the program.
7. Designate an emergency contact person(s), who shall also be authorized to make health emergency decisions on participant's behalf for the duration of participant's study abroad program:

Name: _____ Relationship to participant: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

8. Understand and comply with the terms of participation, codes of conduct, and emergency procedures of the program, and obey host country laws.
9. Be aware of local conditions and customs that may present health or safety risks when making daily choices and decisions. Promptly express any health or safety concerns to the program staff and other appropriate individuals.
10. Behave in a manner that is respectful of the rights and well-being of others, and encourage others to behave in a similar manner.
11. Accept responsibility for participant's own decisions and actions.
12. Become familiar with the procedures for obtaining emergency health and law enforcement services in the host country.
13. Follow the program policies for keeping program staff informed of their whereabouts and well-being.
14. Refrain from travel in any country or region for which the U.S. Department of State had posted a Travel Warning (<http://travel.state.gov/>).

I have read this list of responsibilities and agree to its terms.

Signature of Participant: _____ Date: ____ / ____ / ____

Print Name: _____ Program: _____ Term: _____