

RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK

FGCU STUDY ABROAD PROGRAM TITLE: _____

DATES OF PROGRAM: _____

I am aware of the unstable world conditions which might require changes in the program schedule or might cause inconvenience or even harm to me as it might to other travelers who go abroad, including but not limited to the hazards of various modes of transportation, forces of nature, acts or omissions of foreign governments, terrorism, war and insurrection and illness.

In consideration of the permission granted by the Florida Gulf Coast University to participate in the above program, I hereby assume the risk of inconvenience and harm and release the State of Florida, the State Board of Education, the Florida Board of Education, the Florida Gulf Coast University Board of Trustees and the Florida Gulf Coast University, as well as the agents, employees, and members of the aforementioned from all actions, causes of action, damages, claims or demands which I, my heirs, executors, administrators or assigns may have against any and all of the aforementioned for any and all personal injuries known or unknown which I have or may incur by participation in the above stated program and for all damages to my property.

By registering to participate in this program, I certify that I am physically and emotionally capable of full participation. I realize that I am responsible for any injuries to persons or property that may be incurred as a result of my participation in this program.

FGCU has the authority to establish rules of conduct necessary for the operation of the program during the entire period of the program, including free time. The use of illegal drugs during the entire period of the programs is strictly prohibited. Should an official representative of FGCU decide that a participant must be separated from the program because of violation of stated rules, for disruptive behavior, or for any conduct that might bring the program to disrepute or its participants into legal jeopardy, that decision will be final. **Separation from the program will result in the loss of all academic credit. Persons dismissed from the program will remain responsible for all program costs incurred on their behalf.**

The undersigned acknowledges and understands that in the event he/she becomes detached from the group, fails to meet a departure bus or train, or becomes sick or injured, the undersigned will bear all financial responsibility to seek our contact, and reach the group at its next available destination; and, the undersigned understands that he/she shall bear all costs attendant to contacting and reaching the program site.

I expressly agree that the foregoing Release and Waiver of Liability and Assumption of Risk is intended to be as broad and inclusive as is permitted by Florida law and that if any portion thereof is held invalid, it is agreed that the balance shall, notwithstanding, continue in full legal force and effect.

I understand that Florida Gulf Coast University requires that I demonstrate that I have adequate medical insurance for illness or accidental injury valid outside the U.S. in consideration of FGCU's approval of my travel. I, the undersigned, am at least 18 years of age. I have read this Release and Waiver of Liability and Assumption of Risk as well as the terms and conditions of application and participant as set forth in the FGCU Study Abroad Program and understand all of its terms and recognize and accept any risk associated with the program and its conditions, including the refund policy as set forth in the FGCU Study Abroad Program.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have executed this Agreement on the day and year first written below.

Participant's Signature Date Social Security Number

Insurance Company Policy Number