

STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK
College at Cortland
Office of International Programs
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Cortland, NY 13045

AGREEMENT AND RELEASE
Overseas Academic Programs

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Name: _____
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Program: _____
Location Abroad Term Abroad

To the Student: As with all academic programs, certain conditions must be adhered to in order to preserve program integrity. As a necessary precaution to protect the State of New York, the State University of New York and SUNY Cortland, these conditions are listed below. We ask that you **read carefully** and **indicate with your signature that you understand them and will comply**. If you are a participant under the age of 18, your parent or guardian's signature is also required.

1. Participant pledges to conduct himself/herself in a manner that will reflect favorably on himself/herself, his/her home campus, SUNY Cortland, the State University of New York, and the United States of America.
2. Participation in the above program is entirely voluntary, and will require transportation to and habitation in another country, and may involve risks relating to or arising out of program activities.
3. Participant understands that there are risks inherent in travel, living and study in another country, and acknowledges that s/he has been apprised of such risks (to the extent that such risks are known to SUNY), and agrees to assume all risks and responsibility for his/her health, safety, and property while participating in this program.
4. Participant releases the State University of New York, SUNY Cortland and the State of New York, their officers, trustees, employees, and agents from any and all liability, damage or claim of any nature arising out of, or in any way related to participation in this program, the transportation, or in any independent activities undertaken as an adjunct thereto.
5. Participant agrees to be responsible for any damage or liability incurred as a result of any illness or accident Participant may suffer, including the costs of any medical care not covered by insurance, or any injury or damage to any person or property of others which Participant may cause, or for any financial liability or obligation which Participant may personally incur, while participating in the program.

6. Participant also acknowledges and understands that, should s/he develop legal problems with any foreign nationals or government of the host country, Participant will attend to the matter personally, with his/her own personal funds. SUNY Cortland is not responsible for providing any assistance under such circumstances.

7. Participant agrees that s/he will be responsible for all medical and related expenses incurred while participating in the program. Participant is responsible for securing accident and medical insurance that meets SUNY standards.

Other Conditions of Participation

Travel and Accommodation: Participant acknowledges and agrees to accept all responsibility for loss or additional expenses due to delays or other changes in the means of transportation, other services, or sickness, weather, strikes or other unforeseen causes.

Participant acknowledges and understands that SUNY Cortland assumes no liability whatsoever for any loss, damage, destruction, theft or the like to the student’s luggage or personal belongings, and certifies that Participant has retained adequate insurance or has sufficient funds to replace such belongings.

Participant acknowledges and understands that in the event that s/he becomes detached from the trip group, fails to meet a departure bus, airplane or train, or becomes sick or injured, Participant will bear all responsibility to seek out, contact and connect with the trip group at its next available destination; and that Participant shall bear all costs involved in contacting and reaching the trip group at its next available destination.

Participant is solely responsible for securing any necessary immunizations prior to departure.

All services and accommodations are subject to the laws of the country in which they are provided.

SUNY Cortland in no way represents or acts as an agent for transportation carriers, hotels, and other suppliers of services connected with this program.

Refunds for Program Withdrawal: Refunds for voluntary withdrawal from the program are subject to the official withdrawal policies of SUNY Cortland. Participant acknowledges that any refund of program fees will be based on monies that may be recoverable at the time of withdrawal. If Participant has not paid his/her program fees in full, s/he will be liable for any outstanding balance still owed once liability for program fees has been adjusted.

I have carefully read this form before signing it.

Student's Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian’s Signature (required if student is under 18 years of age)

Date