

**THIS IS A RELEASE. READ THOROUGHLY BEFORE SIGNING!!**

**WAIVER, RELEASE, COVENANT NOT TO SUE, AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK FORM**

1. I acknowledge my participation in \_\_\_\_\_.

**(Name of specific program abroad goes here)**

This "Program" is completely voluntary and is not required by Central Piedmont Community College ("CPCC"). I understand that other agencies and institutions offer opportunities to participate in study abroad programs, and I have voluntarily chosen to participate in this Program arranged through CPCC.

2. I acknowledge that during the course of the Program, I may face certain risks and hazards, both foreseeable and unforeseeable. These risks and hazards include, but are not limited to, the following: travel and work in difficult terrain and inclement weather; inadequate or unhealthy food and/or water supplies; accidents or collisions involving planes, trains, automobiles, or other modes of conveyance; acts of terrorism, vandalism or war; storms, earthquakes or other natural disasters; government restriction or regulation; theft or other criminal acts; and accident or illness in remote locations without access to medical facilities. These risks and hazards may result in serious physical injury, sickness, or death, and damage to, loss, or destruction of property, and no guarantee can be made that CPCC or others can provide assistance if any of the foregoing result. I acknowledge that international travel and study, including participation in this Program, involves inherent risks of physical injury, illness, death, and/or damage to or loss of property and I assume all such risks.

3. I acknowledge that although I am an adult, I have been advised to discuss this trip with my parents/spouse/family and to share with them any materials or information about the elements of risk associated with this trip that I may receive.

4. I have consulted with a medical doctor with regard to my personal medical needs. By signing below, I certify that there are no health-related reasons or problems which preclude my participation in the Program. I hereby acknowledge that I am physically fit and able to participate in the Program. I further agree to notify the Program staff of any health concerns that may arise before and/or during the Program. I further acknowledge the right of CPCC to terminate my participation in the Program if health concerns warrant such action.

5. I further acknowledge that I have reviewed the US Consular information, as well as the Center for Disease Control and State Department websites regarding travel to and around the country in which I plan to study abroad. I am aware of and understand the risks and dangers of travel to, in, and around the country, including, but not limited to dangers to my own health and personal safety posed by the civil unrest, the use of

public transportation, political instability, terrorism, crime, violence, and disease in that country.

6. I further agree that I am responsible for knowing the laws of the host country, its status with the United States and any other relevant information (including safety, health, legal, environmental, political, cultural and religious conditions) obtainable from the US State Department's website regarding the host country. In particular, I agree to become familiar with the host country's procedures for obtaining emergency health and legal services.

7. Knowing and understanding the risks associated with my participation in this Program, I hereby assume, knowingly and voluntarily, all of these risks and all other risks that could arise out of or occur during my travel to, from and around the country in which I plan to study.

8. Furthermore, I hereby release, covenant not to sue, and forever discharge CPCC, its trustees, officers, agents, students and any personnel assisting with the Program from any and all liability, claims, demands, actions, and causes of action whatsoever arising out of or related to any loss, property damage, or personal injury, including death, that may be sustained by me, or to any property belonging to me, while participating in this Program.

9. Also, by signing below, I hereby waive any and all claims against CPCC, the program's directors, faculty, or other agents for any expenses for losses due to my failure to obtain a passport, traveler's checks, and tickets or my failure to properly safeguard these items or any other property of mine.

10. I acknowledge and agree that a copy of this release and hold harmless agreement shall have the same force and effect as the original.

11. I agree that the terms of this assumption of risk, covenant not to sue, and release, shall be binding on me, my heirs, assigns, and personal representatives.

12. I understand and agree that in signing this agreement, I am relying upon my own judgment, belief and knowledge of the nature, extent and duration of the Program's activities and that no representations or statements regarding the program, or regarding any other matters, made by CPCC, its agents, employees and officers or faculty have influenced me in any way in making or signing this agreement.

13. I acknowledge that I have had sufficient time to read and consider this release. I also understand that I have the right to discuss and negotiate the terms of this agreement with a CPCC advisor prior to providing my signature below. The terms of this release may be modified only if agreed to by both me and CPCC.

14. I acknowledge that I am at least eighteen (18) years of age, or will be eighteen (18) years of age when the Program commences, and I am fully competent to read and sign this agreement and have read the entire agreement.

**I understand that by signing below, I am releasing legal rights.**

_____ Printed Name of Participant	_____ Signature of Participant	_____ Date
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_____ Printed Name of Legal Guardian (If under 18 years of age)	_____ Signature of Legal Guardian	_____ Date
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_____ Printed Name of Witness	_____ Signature of Witness	_____ Date
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Signed before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_.

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Signature of Notary Public

My commission expires \_\_\_\_\_