



CONNECTICUT COLLEGE

Connecticut College International Off-Campus Engagement Waiver

I, _____, am a student in good standing at Connecticut College ("the College"). I have voluntarily agreed to participate in Off-Campus Engagement (OCE) during the period of _____. Participation in this OCE is not mandatory or a required part of the degree OCE at Connecticut College. I understand the College has the right to make changes in the OCE at any time, with or without notice.

By initialing each section, I am indicating I understand each section and statement.

RISKS OF TRAVEL ABROAD

I understand there is increased danger involved with travel abroad. These risks include but are not limited to: travel to and from one or more foreign countries; foreign political, legal, social and economic conditions; different standards of design, safety and maintenance of buildings and public places and conveyances; acts of public enemy, arrest or restraint by government; seizure under legal process; violence and terrorist activity; quarantine restrictions; riots or civic commotion; strikes; medical and weather conditions; war; acts of God; and other known and unknown risks. I am willing to accept these risks. I understand the College does not evaluate, select, or engage any transportation carrier or other provider of services to, from and in the location where OCE takes place, with the exception of Travel Research Immersion OCE (TRIP) and Study Away Teach Away (SATA). I understand I am responsible for my personal belongings. The College has no responsibility for any travel not arranged by the College and/or not part of the official trip.

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HEALTH AND SAFETY

I understand there are inherent risks involved in travelling and participating in OCE in other locations, including: risks of injury, illness, or death from traveling to and from the location of the OCE; risks associated with different weather and climate conditions; risks of injury and/or disease from exposure to potentially dangerous plants, animals, allergens, and disease-carrying ticks or insects; risks associated with the quality, availability, or accessibility of health care; risks of local violence or unrest; risks associated with the application of different state, civil and criminal laws; and other known and unknown risks. I am willing to accept these risks. I affirm that I have read and signed the Medical Disclosure Form. I recognize the College is not responsible for any of my medical or medication needs and I assume all risk and responsibility therefore. I will be responsible to meet any and all needs for payment of medical costs during the period of the OCE.

I will personally obtain all health information and review information about immunizations, medications, and appropriate medical information related to my intended travel provided by the World Health Organization and the Center for Disease Control.

I have obtained and provided evidence of Connecticut College medical insurance, private family insurance, or other supplemental medical insurance. I have consulted with my carrier and am aware of the restrictions and extent of my coverage in the specific countries or locations I will visit. The College has made me aware of limited accident insurance coverage as well as travel assistance services provided by On-Call International.

I will make myself aware of local conditions and customs that may present a health or safety risk when making daily choices and decisions. I will promptly express any health or safety concerns to the OCE leader or other appropriate person(s) involved in the OCE. In the event I must seek medical treatment or return to the United States for medical treatment or in the case of an emergency, I acknowledge it may be at my own expense, if not covered by the OnCall International agreement. I agree to pay all expenses relating thereto. In the event of an accident or serious illness, I hereby authorize the College to obtain medical treatment for me and on my behalf. I hereby release, hold harmless and agree to indemnify the College from any claims, causes of action,

damages and/or liabilities, arising out of or resulting from said medical treatment or from my return to the United States in an emergency or for medical treatment.

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INDEPENDENT ACTIVITY

I understand the College is not responsible for any injury or loss I may suffer when I am traveling independently or am otherwise separated from authorized and sponsored activities. I will not engage in any activity that involves excessive risk, such as skydiving, bamboo boat/black water rafting, bouldering, bungee jumping, canyoning, cave tubing, potholing/caving, cycle touring, dog sledding, hang gliding, horse trekking, ice climbing, flying in a helicopter, jet boating/shotover jet, micro lighting, mountaineering (with ropes), off-road mountain biking, parachuting, paragliding, parapenting, parasailing, polo, river/sea kayaking, rock climbing (with ropes), shark cage diving, show-jumping, spelunking or white water rafting (grade 4-5). It is understood and agreed that should I elect to remain overseas at the location of the OCE or elsewhere after participation in the OCE, Connecticut College will cease to act as a sponsor. Should I drop out of the OCE voluntarily or involuntarily, Connecticut College will cease to act as a sponsor thereafter. In both of the foregoing events, this release shall remain in full force and effect.

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STANDARDS OF CONDUCT

I understand each country has its own laws and standards of acceptable behavior including dress, manners, morals, politics, drug and alcohol use and behavior. I will inform myself of and will abide by all such laws and standards. I will attend to any legal problems I encounter in foreign countries during the OCE and during any independent travel before, during or after the trip at my own expense. I fully understand that the use, purchase or sale of illegal substances will be sufficient cause for immediate dismissal from the OCE at my own expense and may result in severe criminal penalties in another country. I further agree that while abroad, I will not rent, purchase or drive any motorized vehicle, including a moped or motorbike, without specific prior approval of the OCE leader.

I further agree to abide by the rules and regulations specific to the OCE as well as those of Connecticut College, and I will continue to be bound by the Honor Code with all its responsibilities and implications. In the event the OCE sponsors determine I have failed to observe the proper standards of conduct, they have the authority to have me sent home at my own expense. If this action results in the potential loss of good standing, I acknowledge and accept full responsibility. I understand the College has the right to enforce its rules and the Honor Code when I return home in accordance with its existing policies and procedures.

I acknowledge I am considered an adult and am expected to take responsibility for my actions while taking part in the OCE. As such, any activities I take part in, whether as a part of the OCE or separate from the OCE, will be considered to have been done with my understanding of any and all risks involved.

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ASSUMPTION OF RISK, RELEASE OF CLAIMS AND INDEMNIFICATIONS

Knowing the risks and rules cited above, I acknowledge that I voluntarily agree to accept all the risks and responsibilities involved with my participation in the OCE. I agree to release, indemnify and forever discharge the College, its trustees, officers, employees, agents and assigns from any and all loss and liability in connection with any personal injury, accident, property damage, claims, costs, expenses or other loss incurred by me during, arising out of, or in any way associated with my participation in and travel involved with the OCE, including loss arising from negligence by the College and its employees, agents, and contractors. I further agree to indemnify the College, its trustees, officers, employees, agents and assigns from any actions brought against it in connection with my acts or omissions during my participation in or travel to or from the OCE.

This International Off-Campus Engagement Waiver is to be construed under the laws of the State of Connecticut, and if any term or provision of this document is held illegal or unenforceable, the balance shall, notwithstanding, continue in full legal force and effect.

I have carefully read and understand the above statements before submitting my electronic signature. I acknowledge I am competent and of the specified legal age in my state of residence to bind myself to this waiver, release and indemnification agreement. I have executed this form on behalf of myself and my family, heirs and assigns.

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**I HAVE READ, UNDERSTAND AND AGREE TO THE INTERNATIONAL OFF-CAMPUS
ENGAGEMENT WAIVER**

Student ID#: _____

Student Last Name: _____ **Student First Name:** _____

Student Signature: _____ **Date*:** _____

For OCE's affiliated with a course, complete the following:

Semester/Year: _____ **Course** _____

Name/Number: _____

Faculty/Staff Member Full Name:

*For recurring OCE's in connection with an academic course during one semester, this waiver will remain in effect for the duration of the class.