INTERNATIONAL PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT

IMPORTANT: ENTIRE AGREEMENT MUST BE COMPLETED.

PLEASE READ THROUGH INSERTS THOROUGHLY.

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International Professional Development Programs
Definitions

The International Affairs Office at the University of the Incarnate Word (UIW) define International Professional Development Programs as university sponsored academic based initiatives, which may encompass a variety of activities aimed at providing access to graduate and professional students who wish to gain additional learning in another country for the purpose of gaining a world perspective.

The following are the most common types of initiatives UIW considers as International Professional Development Programs; however, other programs may be considered:

International Academic Internship
A credit-bearing or non-credit bearing, career-related work experience of limited duration in which a student takes on responsible roles outside of the traditional university environment in a partner university, non-profit organization, government office or for-profit business outside the United States.

International Externship
A comprehensive program with an international partner, affiliate, non-profit organization, government office, or third party outside the United States designated for graduate students to gain professional training in various specialties.

International Professional Development Conference
A gathering comprised of formal meetings, discussions, educational and career development activities located outside the United States for the purpose of improving and increasing students’ capabilities.

International Symposium
A formal meeting comprised of discussions and activities in which experts discuss a particular topic in a location outside the United States.

International Health Mission Program
Activities aimed at engaging students, researchers, and practitioners in the field of health for the purpose of researching, training, and providing service that address health problems that transcend national borders.

International Research
The exploration of issues, topics, and phenomena utilized to comprise and analyze data and information for the purpose of answering questions and facilitate understanding conducted in a location outside the United States.

International Independent Study
A credit bearing educational course implemented outside the United States by a student with little to no faculty supervision.

International Residency Program
A period of advanced medical training, instruction, and education that normally follows graduation from medical school and licensing to practice medicine and consists of supervised practice of a specialty in a hospital and/or medical facility located outside the United States.
Please complete and submit packet to your instructor by the second week of class.

I. Student Information:

Name: ________________________________  Student ID: ______________________

Permanent Address: __________________________________________________________
____________________________________________________________________________
____________________________________________________________________________

Age: ________________ Date of Birth: ________________________________

Primary E-mail: ________________________________ Phone Number: _____________

Major(s): ____________________________ Advisor: __________________________ Current GPA: __________

Course: ________________________________ Instructor: ________________________

City & Country: ________________________________

Dates traveling abroad: ______________________________________________________

Documents to Submit:
1) Copy of your passport
2) Academic transcript

I, ____________________________________, understand and acknowledge:

• the International Professional Development Program involves international travel;

• I am physically and mentally capable of traveling internationally;

• the program may be part of a class and will affect the grade that I will earn in the course;

• the dean, academic advisor, and/or the supervising faculty member may, at his or her absolute and sole discretion, revoke my participation in the program at any point, either before the day of travel, at the point of departure, or at any time during travel. If during the trip my participation is revoked, I must return home immediately at my own cost and/or receive an F semester grade for this entire course (if applicable), and possibly be subject to disciplinary action;

• the review of (a) my academic records in the UIW Registrar’s Office and (b) my disciplinary records in the office of the Dean of Residence Life may influence my participation in the international professional development program;

• the Study Abroad Office, Academic Dean, UIW Representatives and/or my professor(s) will have access to this agreement and supporting documents.

Student Participant Signature: ____________________________ Date: ________________
II. Student Waiver, Indemnity, and Release Agreement

Authority: I am a student at the University of the Incarnate Word (UIW) that will be participating in an International Program described above. I am not required to participate in this International Program; my participation is voluntary. I represent and acknowledge by my signature below that I am at least eighteen (18) years of age and am fully competent to sign this Release, Waiver of Liability and Hold Harmless Agreement (Agreement). I acknowledge I am signing this Agreement on my behalf and I agree to be bound by its terms.

Personal Insurance: I understand I am responsible for purchasing international medical and travel insurance. It is my responsibility to purchase adequate insurance coverage specific for the locations and/or international travel.

Medical Treatment and Expenses: I authorize UIW to arrange for medical care and treatment for me if I become ill or incapacitated, without incurring any liability. I authorize UIW to take actions it deems necessary, including securing medical treatment and transporting me to the United States, all at my own expense. I release UIW from any liability for the quality, timeliness and outcome of any such medical care received or for any expenses incurred.

Transportation: I understand and acknowledge UIW does not and cannot guarantee the safety and/or security of any transportation that may be utilized as a result of my participation in this International Program.

Assumption of Risk: I acknowledge and accept the transportation and participation in this program may expose me to hazards and risks to my health, including injury or death, and that UIW cannot control all of these risks. I acknowledge and certify that I know of no medical reason why I should not participate. I agree while participating in this Program, I will abide by the guidelines set forth in the UIW Student Code of Conduct and will adhere to all state and federal laws, and other applicable rules, regulations, and laws. I agree that if I am no longer participating in the program due to any reason, including but not limited to, being expelled for not meeting my financial obligations and/or deadlines, breaking host/home country laws, and/or deciding to drop from the course/university while I am abroad, that I am an independent traveler and I will not hold the university responsible for any occurrences while traveling independently in the host country(ies). I understand UIW will not be responsible for any medical expenses associated with any property or personal injury I may sustain. I certify I have read and understand the section titled “Statement of Activities while Studying Abroad” and am able to perform the activities listed on the document and/or have requested disability accommodation for this international professional development program within the required time frame.

Release: In consideration of UIW permitting me to participate, I release UIW, and its Board of Trustees, officers, employees, and representatives from any and all liability to me, my personal representatives, estate, heirs, and assigns for any and all claims, demands and causes of action for any and all loss of personal property or injury to me, including my death, in any way connected with this this International Program, including injuries caused by negligence of UIW and/or its Board of Trustees, officers, employees, and representatives, or any other participant in the field trip/activity that may be sustained by me while participating in such field trip/activity, or while on premises owned or leased by UIW.

Indemnity, Hold Harmless, and Waiver: I agree to indemnify and hold harmless, waive and covenant not to sue UIW and its Board of Trustees, officers, employees, and representatives from liability for the injury or death sustained by me or any person(s) and damage to property that may result from my or another person’s negligent or intentional act or omission in while participating in the Program or as an independent traveler and/or any travel incident thereto. It is my express intent that this covenant not to sue and agreement to hold harmless shall bind the members of my family and spouse, if I am alive, and my heirs, assigns and personal representatives, if I am deceased, and shall be governed by the laws of the State of Texas.

I HAVE CAREFULLY READ THIS AGREEMENT AND UNDERSTAND THAT IT IS A RELEASE, WAIVER AND HOLD HARMLESS OF LIABILITY AND INDEMNIFICATION OF ALL CLAIMS AND CAUSES OF ACTION FOR ANY INJURY OR DEATH TO MYSELF THAT OCCURS WHILE PARTICIPATING IN THE INTERNATIONAL PROGRAM AND IT OBLIGATES ME TO INDEMNIFY THE PARTIES NAMED FOR ANY LIABILITY FOR INJURY OR DEATH OF ANY PERSON AND DAMAGE TO PROPERTY CAUSED BY MY NEGLIGENT OR INTENTIONAL ACT OR OMISSION.

THIS DOCUMENT WILL BE CONSIDERED EFFECTIVE ON THE DATE SIGNED.

Student Participant Signature: ______________________________________ Date: _____________________
III. Alcohol and Illegal Substance Policy

In order to protect the educational environment and safeguard the health and well-being of the individual and the community, the policy concerning alcohol and illegal substance will be as follows:

Alcohol Policy
• The national/local laws of the host country govern your behavior while you are visiting the country.
• You will adhere by the UIW Code of Conduct Policy during the entire international professional development program.
• At all times, you are responsible for the consequences of your behavior. If the consumption of alcohol causes or influences you to subsequently violate university policy, program rules, local laws, and/or otherwise engage in conduct that is harmful to the reputation of the university or program (as judged by the faculty leader(s), academic advisor, and/or assigned supervisor) you may be expelled from the program at your own expense. Upon returning, you may also face disciplinary actions, including, but not limited to, receiving a failing grade for the class, academic probation, and/or expulsion from the University.

Illegal Substance Policy
• The University of the Incarnate Word and all study abroad programs, including international professional development programs, prohibits the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensation, possession, promotion, sale, or use of illegal drugs or other illegal substances, illegal paraphernalia, or look-alike (simulated) illegal drugs.
• The possession, use, sale, or other distribution of narcotics, hallucinogens or controlled substances (except as permitted by law) during the international professional development program by any student, employee, or visitor, will be considered a serious offense.
• The use, sale, or possession of any drug paraphernalia, including, but not limited to, water pipes, bongs, and hypodermic syringes/needles not prescribed by a licensed physician will be subject to disciplinary action.
• Students who are traveling with prescription medication are required to have their doctor’s note verifying the use of medications.
• If the illegal substance policy is violated you may be expelled from the international professional development program at your own expense. Upon returning, you may also face disciplinary actions, including, but not limited to, receiving a failing grade for the class (if applicable), academic probation, and/or expulsion from the University.
• The penalties for illegal substances in some countries may be more severe than in the United States and commonly include deportation, fines, jail time and, at times, the death penalty.

In the event I require legal representation in the host country, I understand I am responsible for seeking and acquiring legal representation. I am solely responsible for any and all legal fees. Furthermore, I agree to hold harmless, waive and covenant not to sue UIW and its Board of Trustees, officers, employees, and representatives from liability for the injury or death sustained by me or any person(s) and damage to property that may result from my negligent or intentional act or omission in while participating in the Program or as an independent traveler and/or any travel incident thereto. It is my express intent this covenant not to sue and agreement to hold harmless shall bind the members of my family and spouse, if I am alive, and my heirs, assigns and personal representatives, if I am deceased, and shall be governed by the laws of the State of Texas.

By signing this portion of the agreement you are stating that you understand and acknowledge the Alcohol and Illegal Substance Policy and you are fully aware of the legal, financial and academic consequences.

Student’s Signature: ________________________________ Date: __________________________
IV. HEALTH DISCLOSURE

In the event of any medical emergency as determined by UIW and/or a medical provider, I hereby grant UIW and its representative’s full authority to take any action deemed necessary to protect my mental and/or physical health, at my own expense. Actions may include, but not limited to, placing me under the care of a medical doctor, admitting me in a hospital or any place for medical examination, and/or treatment. After medical attention has been administered, UIW representatives have the sole discretion to require me to return to the United States at my own expense. In the event that I return to the United States, I understand that I cannot recover any money paid for and/or in connection with the program. Should the need arise, UIW representatives are authorized to provide any personal information to any health care provider.

I understand if I fail to disclose any physical and/or mental issues that may affect my full participation in the international professional development program; I take full responsibility for my actions and/or inactions. Furthermore, I understand I may be asked to return to UIW, at my own expense, if my behavior and/or actions disrupt the harmony of the group, compromises the reputation of the university, and/or puts others or myself in danger. Also, I acknowledge and attest I am physically and mentally prepared to participate in activities that are typically experienced by overseas travelers, such as, but not limited to, walking longer distances compared to my home country, standing in line, sitting for an extended period of time, waiting in international airports, interacting with people from different cultures and backgrounds, and/or coping with normal stressful situations that international travelers experience during overseas travel, such as language barriers, eating different foods, observing new and different customs and practices.

Please read and follow all instructions for completion. FULL DISCLOSURE REQUIRED. The information on these forms will assist health care providers in the event of a medical emergency. It is very important that this is completed fully and accurately. If a section is not applicable, enter N/A.

Primary Care Physician: _____________________________________________________________________________
Office Phone: _____________________________________________________________________________________
Insurance Carrier: ___________________________________ Policy Number: ________________________________

Please use this space to inform UIW on your medications in use at present. Please specify special requirements if any.
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Do you have any drug or food sensitivities or allergies? If yes, please explain (condition, treatment).
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I verify all information in this health disclosure is complete, accurate and true. I acknowledge that, ultimately, I am responsible for my own physical and mental well-being.

In the event of a medical emergency in which I become incoherent or incapable to make decisions, I authorize UIW representatives to take actions deemed necessary or to arrange for professional medical care on my behalf, at my own expense. In addition, I authorize UIW representatives to notify my emergency contact(s) found on this agreement.

I understand providing accurate information is an important part of fulfilling my responsibilities.

Signature: ___________________________________________________________ Date: _____________________
Please read and initial each statement. Initialing each statement indicates you understand and agree.

V. Statement of Activities while Studying Abroad

a. ______ I acknowledge and certify I am capable of performing the following activities or otherwise engaging in such activities during my international professional development program experience. Activities may include, but are not limited to:
   • Extensive travel (i.e., possible overnight travel, unplanned or unforeseeable itinerary changes, etc.)
   • Using various modes of transportation (i.e., cars, trains, buses, planes, boats, bicycles, etc.)
   • Walking long distances
   • Walking up/down hills/stairs
   • Standing/sitting for a long period of time
   • Waiting in line
   • Lifting and/or carrying your personal luggage (i.e., luggage weighing up to 50 to 70 lbs.)
   • Nonstandard meal times
   • Unfamiliar foods or limited dietary options
   • Limited medication availability or medical care options

Other activities that are unique to this international professional development program: _______________________
_____________________________________________________________________________________________

VI. Independent Traveler

a. ______ I understand I may be traveling alone during or for the entire duration of the program. During the period of time I am not part of a group or under faculty supervision, I am assuming full responsibility for my safekeeping and welfare. I hereby release and discharge and agree to hold harmless UIW Board of Trustees, The College, and their officers, employees, agents and representatives from any and all liability and legal obligations regarding my own personal welfare. This release also shall bind my heirs, executors, administrators and assigns who might benefit from my well-being. To the maximum extent permitted by the laws of the State of Texas and any other state, I agree to defend, indemnify, and hold UIW, their Board of Trustees and each of their trustees, officers, employees, agents and representatives free from and against all claims, liability, loss and expense, including reasonable attorney’s fees and court costs, which may arise because of my conduct including the negligence, misconduct or other fault of myself during all periods of time when traveling independently.

VII. UIW Travel Policy

a. ______ I understand all UIW sponsored programs must obtain an initial airfare quote from the University’s travel agent, Gail Genther. After receiving a quote from Gail Genther, I may obtain and compare quotes from outside sources.


VIII. Non-UIW Participant Policy

_______ I understand I am fully responsible of all costs, planning, supervision, and safety for my travel companion(s), which include spouses, children, significant others, and acquaintances. Furthermore, I understand due to the type of program, responsibilities, and/or other factors the Vice President for International Affairs in collaboration with my supervisory dean reserve the right to limit or deny my travel companion’s participation in the UIW sponsored International Professional Development Program. I understand my travel companions, who will be participating in UIW sponsored events, excursions, and/or programs, are required to sign and adhere to the Non-UIW Participant Agreement.
IX. Health

a. ______ I understand it is my responsibility to consult with my doctor prior to departure to obtain any vaccination, prescriptions and/or medications I will need for the duration of my trip. It is also my responsibility to research the laws of the host country regarding medications I plan to take into the country.

b. ______ I understand my professors and/or UIW representatives are not medical doctors. Therefore, I am fully responsible for seeking medical expertise before or during the trip, if necessary. If I ask or seek my professor's advice regarding any type of medical issue, including minor and/or common ailments, I am doing so at my own risk. Furthermore, I release the professor(s) and/or UIW representatives from any and all liability if I choose to accept a non-medical professional's opinion and/or advice.

c. ______ I understand it is my responsibility to inquire and become familiar with my international health coverage policy, such as the type/limitations of coverage, amount of deductible or co-pay, and protocol, in case of a medical emergency.

d. ______ I understand it is my responsibility to have the available (or access to the) financial funds to cover my medical insurance deductibles (if applicable), in case of a medical emergency.

e. ______ I understand I am responsible for any medical bills and/or fees I may acquire while abroad.

f. ______ I agree I am fit to travel. I understand if I have any illness or conditions that may prevent me from traveling and participating in group activities, it is my responsibility to consult with a medical physician prior to traveling.

g. ______ If I become unable to travel during the semester, I understand I may still be responsible for fees that have been incurred on my behalf.

X. Financial Responsibility

a. ______ I understand I will not be able to participate, in any international program, if I have any unpaid balances owed to the university. Before pursing my international professional development plans, I understand that it is my responsibility to satisfy any outstanding balances owed to the university. I understand even if my trip cost is paid, I still must have my tuition paid in full before being able to leave for the international professional development program. Even if I do not participate in the trip, whether voluntary/involuntary, I am still responsible for all costs, which are non-refundable.

b. ______ I agree to adhere to the payment schedule outlined by the professor. Failure to pay by the set deadlines may result in late fees, dismissal from the program and forfeiture of previously paid installments. I understand no portion of any funds that I have paid, either directly or with financial assistance, to participate in the travel portion of the program will be refunded at any time for any reason.

c. ______ I understand the university will not pay any outstanding balances incurred on my behalf during my international professional development program (i.e. medical bills, hotel room charges, cell phone bills, hospital copayments, etc.). It is my responsibility to settle all balances prior to departing the host country.

d. ______ I authorize University of the Incarnate Word (UIW) to charge my account for any deposits, payments, and/or fees that are charged to UIW by the travel company, airline agent, hotel and/or third party entity in relation to my international professional development program.

e. ______ I understand I am personally responsible for all tuition, deposits, payments, and fees in connection with the international professional development program. I acknowledge, after application of any scholarship, financial aid or other assistance, if there is a remaining balance resulting from my international professional development program, I am fully responsible to pay the remaining balance out of my own personal funds. As such, all "out of pocket" costs are my responsibility. By initialing this statement and signing this document, I am stating I have sufficient funds to cover my expenses and/or my parent/legal guardian has agreed to pay for all expenses incurred. In addition, I hereby release the University of the Incarnate Word from any financial liability.
f. ______ If I fail to meet my financial obligations, I am fully aware of the potential consequence, including, but not limited to, late fees, cancellation of excursions and/or classes, and/or expulsion from the international professional development program. If I am expelled from the institution and/or program while abroad, I acknowledge the University will not provide room, board and travel, and I will be responsible for securing my own return transportation, travel, room and board. If I am expelled from the institution and/or program while abroad, I acknowledge I will be independently in the host country, and I agree to indemnify and hold harmless, waive and covenant not to sue UIW and its Board of Trustees, officers, employees, and representatives from liability for the injury or death or property damage I or another person(s) may sustain as a result of my negligent or intentional act or omission while participating in this Program or as an independent traveler and/or any travel incident thereto.

XI. Cancellation or Withdrawal

a. ______ I understand that if for any reason, I decide to return prematurely, I am responsible for all repercussions and accept any consequences and/or fees associated with my premature return, including but not limited to, paying any outstanding balances to the University of the Incarnate Word and/or third party entities in connection with the program, receiving failing or incomplete grades, arranging travelling independently of the group.

b. ______ I understand that if I decide to stop attending classes and/or participating with the group and no longer allowed to participate with the group, due to, but not limited to, poor academic performance in the class, violations of host/home country laws or UIW Code of Conduct, not meeting my financial responsibilities, etc. and/or the lead professors decision, I will be considered an independent traveler. If I am expelled from the faculty-led program while abroad, I acknowledge that the University will not provide room, board and travel, and I will be responsible for securing my own return transportation, travel, room and board. As an independent traveler, I agree to indemnify and hold harmless, waive and covenant not to sue UIW and its Board of Trustees, officers, employees, and representatives from liability for the injury or death of me or any person(s) and damage to property that may result from my or another person’s negligent or intentional act or omission while participating in the Program or as an independent traveler and/or any travel incident thereto.

c. ______ I understand if I do not participate in the travel portion of the class after having paid all or any portion of the travel costs involved, or if I am required to involuntarily return home without completing the travel portion of the class, that no deposits or money that I have paid toward the travel portion will be refunded. I authorize the University of the Incarnate Word to charge my account for any nonrefundable costs that the University has incurred on my behalf.

XII. Passport & Visa

a. ______ I understand that it is my responsibility to obtain/renew my passport. I understand my passport must be valid for a minimum of 6 months after the completion of my trip abroad.

b. ______ I understand that, if a visa is required, it is my responsibility to provide all required documents to the faculty by the given deadline. Failure to do so may result in my inability to participate or additional fees.

c. ______ I agree to provide a copy of my passport and visa to the Study Abroad Office and should also keep a copy for myself.

XIII. Insurance

a. ______ I understand I am responsible for purchasing international medical and travel insurance. It is my responsibility to purchase adequate insurance coverage specific for the locations and/or international travel.

b. ______ I understand international medical facilities may require full payment, initial fees, and/or co-payments. I understand that I may pay for these fees out of my own pocket. It is my responsibility to follow up with the insurance company to file my claim in order to pursue reimbursement.
c. ______ I am aware certain incidents, costs, and/or claims may not be covered by my international and travel insurance plan. **I am fully responsible for any and all costs that my international health and travel insurance does not cover.** Furthermore, I understand pre-existing conditions may not be covered. It is also my responsibility to consult with my health care provider for any medical needs that I may require while participating in the international professional development program.

d. ______ I understand if I am injured as a result of partaking in risky activities (i.e. snowboarding, skydiving, bungee jumping), my medical expenses may not be covered by the insurance plan.

e. ______ I understand if I am injured as a result of partaking in illegal activities (i.e. stealing, drugs, etc.), my medical expenses may not be covered by the insurance plan.

f. ______ I am fully responsible for any and all costs that my international health and travel insurance does not cover.

**XIV. Safety**

a. ______ University policy does not permit students to study in a country where a travel warning has been issued by the U.S. Department of State. In the event a travel warning is issued and the university cancels the international professional development program to that location during my planning or while abroad, I understand I may have to cancel my plans to participate or return to the states at my own expense. I further understand it is my responsibility to obtain adequate travel insurance to cover such circumstances.

b. ______ I am aware there are certain risks inherent in any kind of travel. I am responsible for my own safety at all times. Engaging in high risk activities will increase my chances of being physically injured. (i.e. snowboarding, bungee jumping, skydiving, etc.)

c. ______ If an emergency should occur during non-office hours, I should contact the UIW Campus Police, 210-829-6030.

**XV. Code of Conduct**

a. ______ While participating in the international professional development program, I am a UIW student and representing the University of the Incarnate Word. Any violation of the policies and procedures of UIW, including the UIW Student Code of Conduct, and/or violation of the host country laws, could result in dismissal from the program and additional disciplinary action upon my return, including the possibility of being expelled from the host/home university.

b. ______ I understand I must adhere to the laws of my host country. In the event I require legal representation in the host country, I understand I am responsible for seeking and acquiring legal representation. I am solely responsible for any and all legal fees. Furthermore, I agree to hold harmless, waive and covenant not to sue UIW and its Board of Trustees, officers, employees, and representatives from liability for the injury or death sustained by me or any person(s) and damage to property that may result from my negligent or intentional act or omission in while participating in the Program or as an independent traveler and/or any travel incident thereto.

c. ______ I understand I may also be dismissed from the Program and returned to the United States at my own expense in the event UIW representative determines in its absolute and sole discretion that I cannot continue with the Program due to my physical or mental condition, or that my conduct is detrimental to or in conflict with the Program or out of harmony with the best interest of the group as a whole.

d. ______ I understand I may be prohibited from participating in the international professional development program, at any time, including before departure, without any reimbursement of any fees, deposits and/or payments, as a result of my actions, such as, but not limited to, poor academic performance in my current classes, conduct violation(s) as per the UIW Student Code of Conduct, violation of State and/or Federal Laws, and/or other actions and consequences that may deter or prevent my full participation in the international professional development program.
e. ______ I agree to participate in all activities during the course of the trip (unless otherwise given permission by the professor). I understand failure to participate in activities or arrive on time for scheduled events could result in a failing grade. Repeated tardiness or failure to participate could result in my dismissal from the program at my own expense.

f. ______ I agree to adhere to all rules implemented by the professor. I understand failure to abide by these rules could result in a failing grade or my dismissal from the program.

g. ______ I understand the following are unacceptable, and engaging in any of them constitutes grounds for dismissal from the program and being returned to the United States at my own expense at the absolute and sole discretion of the UIW representative(s) on site:

- Behavior that disturbs other persons in the program or other persons in the hotel or other accommodations;
- Breaking the law(s) of the host country or violation of the policies and procedures of UIW, including the UIW Student Code of Conduct;
- Posting, sharing, disseminating photos, videos, and/or other multimedia sources that are inappropriate, offensive, and/or violate the UIW Code of Conduct;
- Excessive absence from class as determined by the professor(s);
- Failure to participate in field trips or other activities of program;
- Any use of and/or involvement with illegal drugs;
- Failure to complete homework assignments;
- Abuse of alcohol.

XVI. Student Services

a. ______ The University of the Incarnate Word provides reasonable accommodations with adequate notice. To request disability accommodation for this international professional development Program, please contact the office of Student Disability Services at 210-829-3997. By initialing this statement and signing this agreement, I understand, agree, and give permission to the Student Disability Office to forward my documents and/or request(s) to the Study Abroad Office, lead-faculty, and/or host institution. I acknowledge and understand that in certain countries, accommodations may not be the same as are offered at UIW and/or other institutions in the United States. However, every effort will be made to provide reasonable accommodations. I understand I must submit all my documents and support materials to the Student Disability Office at least thirty university business days prior to the scheduled date of departure.

I have carefully read and understand each statement I initialed and sign this agreement with full knowledge of each statement's implication for my actions/non-actions.

Student Participant's Signature: _______________________

Date: ______________________

*Must be at least eighteen 18 years old of age

Parent's signature: ____________________________________________

Date: _________________________ (if student is under 18 years of age):
CONSENT TO RELEASE INFORMATION ABOUT TRAVELER

Student’s Full Name: ________________________________________________

- I authorize employees, agents, and representatives of the University of the Incarnate Word (UIW) and the host institution abroad to release to the United States Government and to the host institution abroad, and their employees, agents, and representatives, information in the possession of UIW regarding my location, status, welfare, intentions, or problems.

- I further authorize UIW to release to those persons named below, information in the possession of UIW regarding my location, status, welfare, intentions, or problems.

- I grant permission to the officials of the University of the Incarnate Word to provide copies of written records, permit inspection and review of the contents of my education records, and/or to discuss my academic performance in connection with my international professional development program with the following person(s) as authorized by the Federal Educational Rights and Privacy Act.

NOTE: English is universally accepted as the business language; therefore, at least one person below must be an English speaker. If applicable, please state the English speaker first.

Name: ___________________________ Relationship: ___________________________
Name: ___________________________ Relationship: ___________________________
Name: ___________________________ Relationship: ___________________________

It is my intention in executing this Consent to Release Form to permit UIW, the U.S. Government, and the host university abroad to provide the information described above to the parties identified above without being found in violation of any applicable U.S. laws and the Family Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA), which provides for the confidentiality of student education records.

This Consent to Release remains in effect until you provide written revocation of your Consent to Release.

Student's Signature: ___________________________ Date: ___________________________
Study Abroad Emergency Contact Form

I, _________________________________, authorize employees, agents, and representatives of the University of the Incarnate Word (UIW) and/or other third party entities, representatives and providers (in connection with resolving the emergency) to contact the following person(s) in case of emergency or in any case when information of my whereabouts or situation needs to be discussed or disseminated:

**It is highly recommended that at least one of your emergency contacts have a valid passport, with at least 1 year before expiration, in case emergency travel is required.**

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