

University of Louisville, International Center Student Conduct Agreement

All University of Louisville students are expected to abide by the University Code of Student Conduct. The following document extends this expectation to include responsibilities associated with education abroad programs, which include, but are not limited to the following:

Please read and initial after each statement.

As a representative of the University of Louisville and the United States, you are expected to:

- conduct yourself in a manner which shows respect to yourself, your peers, your program administrators, and, above all, your host country. All students are legal adults and must conduct themselves as such.
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- respect and abide by the laws in your host country as well as the rules for behavior set by the University of Louisville. (<http://louisville.edu/dos/students/codeofconduct>)
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- take responsibility for your own actions and their consequences. You are fully responsible for avoiding illegal, dangerous, or unsafe activities; “I did not know” is not an excuse for any kind of unacceptable behavior. Each country has its own set of acceptable norms, including rules for social interactions, proper attire, body language, political engagements, and social activities. You agree to abide by and comply with those rules, regulations, and standards.
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- take responsibility for familiarizing yourself with the cultural norms of your host country before you leave.
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- ensure all medical condition(s) have been disclosed in the program application. Your medical condition(s) could endanger yourself or the safety of others associated with the program and you agree to share your medical history with Campus Health in order to obtain travel clearance. If you are unable to share your medical history with Campus Health, you agree to speak with the University program coordinator and determine where your medical history will be shared. In the event you fail to disclose medical information that presents a problem during travel, you understand the University is not responsible for paying any costs associated with medical treatment or hospital care in a foreign country or the U.S. during your participation in the program and the University holds no responsibility for the quality of treatment or care.
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- accept responsibility for your health and safety, including looking after your medications, etc. You also agree to review any country-specific regulations about medications or other health or medical needs in advance, to ensure that you are in compliance.

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- remain flexible and adapt to any and all changes in itinerary and accommodations that may be necessary and in the best interest of the program or the University. You are expected to adhere to the differences in climate, lodging, meals, physical activities, and modes of transportation that may be perceived as inconvenient or uncomfortable. The University does not represent or act as an agent for, and cannot control the acts or omissions of: any host institution, a host family, other host arrangements, land transportation, air transportation, carrier, hotel or similar accommodation, tour agent, tour organizer, or other provider of goods or services related to the program. You understand the University is not responsible for matters that are not within its direct control.

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- not allow non-program participants to stay in your living accommodations overnight.

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- take responsibility for any injuries or loss or damage you may suffer in the event you undertake independent travel during or immediately before or after the program dates.

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- refrain from use of illegal drugs and the abuse of alcohol or prescription drugs. Narcotics laws differ from one nation to another, the most conservative law will be held as the standard by the University of Louisville. Illegal behavior will result in expulsion from the program and possible student conduct actions upon your return to the University of Louisville. In addition, should you encounter trouble with local law enforcement due to your activities, the University of Louisville assumes no legal responsibility for any unlawful actions. If you violate the law, you are obligated to resolve the matter at your own expense.

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- refrain from participation in political rallies and demonstrations. As a foreigner and a guest of your host country, it is best to avoid sensitive political situations or potentially dangerous activities.

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- refrain from harassment and sexual misconduct as defined and detailed in the University of Louisville Code of Student Conduct and Sexual Misconduct Policy (<http://louisville.edu/dos/students/codeofconduct/> <http://louisville.edu/dos/students/studentpoliciesandprocedures/student-sexual-misconduct-policy>). Such behavior may be sanctioned as the matter dictates including, but not limited to, verbal reprimand, removal from the program, and student conduct actions taken upon your return to the University of Louisville.

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- agree not to wander off or return alone and to notify program authorities or their designee when leaving hotel or other living compound.
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- promote an appropriate learning environment. Studying abroad is not just about traveling out of the United States. Your academic studies are an integral part of your study abroad experience. Students who do not fully participate in the academic portion of their program are likely not to receive academic credit, potentially be removed from the program early, and/or be required to return scholarship or financial aid funds used for the program. Active engagement in the program ensures a greater benefit from participation.
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- respect your coursework and classes abroad as if they are your regular classes at the University of Louisville. This expectation includes punctual and regular attendance, finishing assignments, etc.
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- participate in group activities that are part of your program. A lack of participation or cooperation will also result in no credit awarded.
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- recognize that the University of Louisville may terminate your participation in the program abroad if your actions violate the policies established by the education abroad program and/or violate established policies of the Code of Student Conduct. Any expense related to this termination will be your responsibility.
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- immediately notify the Study Abroad Office or program leader in writing should you chose to withdraw from the program.
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- acknowledge that your program leaders may act in an emergency to protect the health and welfare of both you and/or other program participants. While you may disagree with the steps taken, you understand that the program leaders are acting in the best interest of all involved.
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- accept all risks associated with participation in foreign travel and assume all risks for personal (electronic devices, clothing, etc.) property.
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Student Name

Student Signature

Date