

Center for Global Education/Union College Behavior Standards Agreement

Program: \_\_\_\_\_ Semester: \_\_\_\_\_

Living abroad differs significantly, academically and socially, from home campus life. Daily academic and social life may also have a heightened intensity that comes with shared living accommodations, continuous interpersonal contact within our program, being in an exciting and new location, and the rigorous demands of classes in a different university setting. Such exciting challenges and daily demands require that a courteous, co-operative, and attentive attitude prevails. Concern and respect for others combined with responsible and thoughtful judgments on how your actions will affect other members of the Program and the community in which we will be living are expected standard conduct so as to ensure a quality academic term abroad, maximum safety of each participant, and the protection of the rights of all participants and members of our host country.

Behavior that interferes with the rights of other individuals, the academic program, or violates the law of the country you are in is in violation of this Behavior Standards Agreement. Behavior deemed unacceptable may, at the discretion of the on-site Program Director, the Director of the Center for Global Education at HWS, the Director of International Programs at Union College or the appropriate Dean's Office, subject the participant to disciplinary action, including dismissal from the program.

Participants affirm and agree to abide by the following:

I will attend all required academic activities, including classroom sessions, walks, tours and so on, and turn in assignments on time.

I will abide by the stated rules of the residence in which I am housed, including if/when people not on our Program can be in residence, quiet hours, and use of alcohol. I will be respectful of all those with whom I live and those who live near me.

Should I choose to avail myself of additional travel while the Program is in session, I will communicate my travel plans to the Faculty Director or a representative of the Program (in cases with no specific Faculty Director). I will consider his/her advice, and understand that tardiness or absence in classes or on tours or for meetings as a result of this travel is unexcused, is in violation of the Behavior Standards Agreement, and is subject to disciplinary action.

I will neither use nor possess any illegal drug. Any quantity is prohibited, and no further warnings will be considered. Only prescription drugs with a valid prescription will be allowed. I will not use non-prescription or prescription drugs recreationally rather than for the medical purpose intended.

I will neither use nor possess firearms, explosives or other dangerous weapons, chemicals or substances or any other contraband.

I will not participate in harassment of any kind, including sexual harassment.

I will not participate in illegal activities of any kind.

I will conduct myself in public so as not to offend, by ordinary standards of common courtesy, my fellow participants or members of the host country. This includes property damage, theft of property, abuse of alcohol or public drunkenness, or any other behavior which directly impinges upon the rights of others.

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Print Name

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Signature

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Date

This original form must be signed and returned to the Center for Global Education by August 1 for Spring programs and April 1 for Fall programs. Keep a copy for your records. Receipt of this signed form by our office is required for your participation in the Program.

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