

OFF-CAMPUS STUDIES AGREEMENT

Name: _____ Program Dates: _____

Off-Campus Study Program: _____

In exchange for my being allowed to participate in the Covenant College Off-Campus Studies Program (the "Program"), and more specifically, the Off-Campus Study option listed above, I agree to be bound by each of the following:

1. I agree to abide by the policies and behavioral guidelines set forth by Covenant College Student Handbook and any other policies or guidelines necessary for the operation of the Program as established by Covenant College, the Global Education Office, and/or the host organization. Should the director or program leader decide that I must be dismissed from the Program for violation of those policies or behavioral guidelines, I understand and agree that such a decision will be final. I further understand that dismissal at the discretion of college or program officials would result in the loss of program fee as well as credit for any portion of the course completed to date at the time of dismissal. I also understand and agree that all loss and expense incurred as the result of such a dismissal, including cost of travel, will be borne by me. I understand and hereby consent that my parents be notified of such a termination and all the details of the problem prior to termination.

2. I acknowledge that the provision of the Program by the college to its students represents a substantial expense to the college in terms of financial expense and preparatory effort. I agree to reimburse Covenant College for all expenses incurred on my behalf for my participation in the Program. Reimbursement to the college in the event of my withdrawal from or non-participation in the Program include, but are not limited to, airfare expense, tuition expense, room and board expense, administrative expense, and all other expenses for which the college is unable to obtain a refund.

3. I understand and agree that Covenant College is not responsible for cancellation or changes in travel and program schedules or adjustments in announced fees for the Program caused by changes in air tariffs, lodging rates, airfare, or other fees charged by those engaged for such services. I further understand and agree that in the event of an act of war, terrorism, strikes, natural disaster, acts of God, or other emergency that causes the Program to be canceled in whole or in part, any refund due me will be determined by Covenant College at its sole discretion. I acknowledge and agree to accept all responsibility for loss or additional expenses for the Program caused by delays or other changes in the means of transportation, other services, sickness, weather, strikes, or other unforeseen causes.

4. I understand and agree that any independent traveling including to and from the airport during the period of time in which I am participating in the Program and after conclusion of the Program will be at my own expense. I also understand and agree that I am responsible for any additional travel or accommodation charges which may result from my decision to travel independently from the group's itinerary.

5. I acknowledge, understand, and agree that Covenant College will neither be liable for nor will it reimburse me for any legal or medical expenses incurred by me during the

term of my participation in the Program. In addition, I agree to provide the college satisfactory proof of my coverage by a health insurance policy and/or travel insurance policy during the term of my participation in the Program. It is further understood that the cost of any such health, travel, or other necessary insurances will be my sole responsibility.

6. I hereby agree on behalf of myself, my successors and assigns to release, discharge and hold harmless Covenant College for any injury or liability of any type which may result during the term of my participation in the Program. This release includes, without limitation, the period of travel to and from the destination as well as the time spent at the destination. Such release includes, without limitation, any trips taken while at the destination, and also includes return trips taken in the event I do not remain the entire period. Examples of the types of injury or liability referred to in this paragraph include but are not limited to, physical injury, dismemberment, death, action of whatever nature or type by a terrorist or terrorist organization, loss of freedom due to the action of any political entity or official or agent thereof. I acknowledge and understand that Covenant College assumes no liability whatsoever for any loss, damage, destruction, theft or the like to my luggage or personal belongings, and that I have retained adequate insurance or have sufficient funds to replace such belongings and regard Covenant College as harmless therefrom.

I have read this agreement carefully and understand that by signing this agreement I am indicating that I fully understand and agree to all of its provisions. I hereby consent that information regarding my participation in an Off-Campus Study Program can be given to my parents, financial caretaker, and/or legal guardian. It is I, the student's, responsibility to ensure that all necessary or appropriate information regarding my participation in an Off-Campus Study Program including travel plans and expenses incurred has been provided to a parent, financial caretaker, and/or legal guardian.

Printed Name

Signature

Date

OFF-CAMPUS STANDARDS OF CONDUCT AGREEMENT

While studying off-campus on approved programs, students of Covenant College are expected to comply with the following statement:

I HEREBY RECOGNIZE that I will be participating in a unique community while studying away from Covenant College, requiring a special witness. I pledge to live in accordance with the knowledge that the Lordship of Jesus Christ is central to all I do. I understand that my vocation as a student is the priority of an Off-Campus Studies Program, and will conduct myself in social and cultural situations accordingly, even outside of the group learning environment. FURTHERMORE, I pledge to conduct myself under the guidelines of the Covenant College Standards of Conduct. I understand that violation of any of these standards is grounds for disciplinary action, including possible immediate dismissal from the program.

There are two possible exceptions to the Covenant College Standards of Conduct regarding the consumption of alcohol. First, students who are participating individually in a study abroad program and who are not with a Covenant College group under the oversight of Covenant faculty or staff are expected to comply with the standards set by the host institution. Secondly, for those in a Covenant group with a faculty or staff member, the following policy will be observed in some cultural contexts:

When it is legal, students involved in an off-campus Covenant-sponsored educational program may partake of alcoholic beverages in moderation when in a relevant cross-cultural context proposed and supervised by the faculty program leader and approved prior to the trip by the Vice President of Academic Affairs. A student's grade will not be negatively impacted should they not participate in the cultural activity. Any use of alcohol outside of this policy will result in disciplinary action and possible removal from the program. Students would violate the policy if they were to purchase or consume alcohol outside of the parameters outlined above. This exception does not permit the general use of alcohol, nor should any student feel compelled to consume alcoholic beverages. Students who fail to comply with the letter or spirit of this policy will be disciplined by the faculty program leader.

The faculty program leader has full disciplinary power granted to her or him by Covenant College and the Office of Student Development. This includes the power to immediately dismiss without appeal a student from an Off-Campus Study Program. It is the responsibility of the program leader to exercise discipline in a compassionate yet effective manner to address not only issues which involve use of alcohol, but any other situations which involve a violation of the Standards of Conduct. Please review the Standards of Conduct outlined in the Undergraduate Catalog for further information regarding infractions.

All disciplinary violations will be reported to the Dean of Students and may have ramifications on campus when the student returns. Records of any violation will be filed in the Student Development Office. Any student who is dismissed from an Off-Campus Study Program forfeits any and all tuition, fees, room charges, board charges, and any other charges which have been paid to the college or other agency, and forfeits any and all academic credit which was to be gained during the Off-Campus Study Program.

I have read and agree to comply with the letter and spirit of the policies and conditions stated above.

Printed Name

Signature

Date