

Student Name: _____ Date: _____
Address: _____ Phone: _____
_____ School ID #: _____
Name of Program: _____ Location: _____
Host Institution or Organization: _____ From: ____/____/____ To: ____/____/____

Assumption of Risk / Release & Indemnification of All Claims / Covenant Not to Sue

This is a legal and binding agreement which, when signed, will permanently limit your ability to recover from the parties indicated below for injuries or losses you may sustain as a result of participating in a Program on or off campus.

Amherst College is a non-profit educational institution. References to Amherst or Amherst College include the Trustees of Amherst College, its trustees, employees, volunteers, students, Student Government Organization and participating organizations, agents and assigns and anyone participating in the Program activities.

I freely choose to travel on the Program indicated above and any other related or substitute travel including personal travel for the purpose of education, personal business, social service or other experience (referred to as the Program) and I freely accept all the risks associated with the Program. I expressly agree that I am not an employee of Amherst, and have no employee rights or benefits including, without limitation, any workers' compensation benefits.

I understand that Amherst College is not an agent of, and has no responsibility for, any third party including without limitation any sponsor that may provide any services, equipment, training or activities associated with the Program. I understand that Amherst College has not reviewed, certified, or investigated the Program and makes no statement or warranty as to the safety of said Program. I agree to inform myself about the potential dangers of the areas I am traveling to and precautions which should be taken, including reviewing the State Department Consular Travel Information at <http://www.travel.state.gov> and the Centers for Disease Control Travelers Information at <http://www.cdc.gov/travel/> for health and immunization information. I agree that my safety is primarily dependent upon my taking proper care of myself and avoiding any activity or behavior which would harm me or others. I agree to observe the rules and practices which may be posted or advised by Amherst College. I agree that if I fail to act in accordance with this agreement I may be dismissed from the Program.

Despite precautions, accidents and injuries can occur. I understand the activities I may undertake may be potentially dangerous and that I may be injured and/or lose or damage personal property or suffer financial loss as a result of use of the facilities, equipment or Program participation. Therefore **I ASSUME ALL RISKS RELATED TO THE ACTIVITIES** including but not limited to:

- X Death, injury or illness from accidents of any nature whatsoever, including but not limited to bodily injury or illness of any nature whether severe or not, temporary or permanent, which may occur as a result of participating in an activity or contact with physical surroundings, equipment or other persons.
- X Loss or injury as a result of a crime or criminal act by third parties, terrorism, war, civil unrest, riot, detention by a foreign government, arrest or other act of any government or authority.
- X Theft or loss of personal property during the Program or any Program related travel.
- X Loss or death or injury as a result of any natural disaster or event or extreme weather conditions or events.
- X Alteration including delay, extension or cancellation of the Program due to natural disaster, civil unrest, war, terrorist attack, medical quarantine or any other disturbances or causes.

I further acknowledge that the above list is not inclusive of all possible risks associated with the Program or facilities, equipment, or services in association with the Program, and that the above list in no way limits the extent or reach of this release and covenant not to sue. I understand that participating in this Program and use of facilities at Amherst College is an acceptance of risk of injury.

Medical Treatment Authorization

I authorize Amherst College to act on my behalf in any medical emergency if and as may be applicable.

Release from Liability, Indemnification Agreement and Covenant Not to Sue

In consideration of Amherst's support of the Program, I the undersigned, to the fullest extent permitted by law, agree to forever release and on behalf of myself, my spouse, heirs, representatives, executors, administrators and assigns, HEREBY DO FOREVER RELEASE Amherst College from any cause of action, claims, or demands of any nature whatsoever, including but not limited to a claim of negligence which I or my spouse, heirs, representatives, executors, administrators and assigns may now have, or have in the future against Amherst College on account of personal injury, bodily injury, property damage, death or accident of any kind, arising out of or in any way related to my use of the facilities, equipment, or services in association with the Program howsoever the injury is caused, including whether by the ordinary negligence of Amherst College or otherwise.

In consideration of Amherst's support of the Program I, the undersigned, COVENANT NOT TO SUE and agree to INDEMNIFY AND HOLD HARMLESS Amherst from any and all causes of action, claims, demands, losses or costs of any nature whatsoever arising out of or in any way relating to my use of the facilities and my use of facilities, equipment, or services in association with the Program.

I hereby certify that I have full knowledge of the nature and extent of the risks inherent in the Program and the use of facilities, equipment, or services in association with the Program, that I am voluntarily assuming all risks, whether known or unknown, and that I am voluntarily participating in the Program.

I understand that I will be solely responsible for any loss or damage, including death, which I sustain or cause, whether in whole or in part, while participating in the Program and my use of facilities, equipment, or services in association with the Program, and that by this agreement I am relieving Amherst College of any and all liability for such loss, damage or death.

My signature below indicates that I have read and freely signed this agreement, which shall take effect as a sealed instrument. I further certify that I am at least 18 years old and am legally competent to sign this agreement. I further understand that the terms of this agreement are legally binding and I certify that I am signing this agreement after having carefully read and understood the same, of my own free will. This agreement is made in sole consideration of Amherst College permitting my use of the facilities and my use of facilities, equipment, or services associated with the Program.

This agreement shall be construed and enforced in accordance with Massachusetts law and I consent to the jurisdiction of said state. I expressly agree that this waiver and release is intended to be as broad and inclusive as permitted under Massachusetts law and that if any portion hereof is held invalid, it is agreed that the balance shall, notwithstanding, continue in full legal force and effect. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this instrument is duly executed at _____, _____ this day of _____, _____.

IMPORTANT - READ ENTIRE AGREEMENT BEFORE SIGNING

Signature: _____
Date: _____ month/day/year
Witness: _____
Witness Address: _____
Witness Name Printed: _____

Signatures need not be notarized but must be witnessed.