

Domestic & International Mission and Service Trips (ICO) Student Waiver

Grove City College (GCC) makes every effort to ensure the safety and well being of students participating in ICO Trips. We monitor programs and locations through the U.S. State Department, U.S. Consulates, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Department of Homeland Security and OSAC (Overseas Security Advisory Council). However, in any off-campus experience, there are risks due to factors beyond the control of the College. GCC requires ICO participants and their parents to acknowledge that the College cannot assume responsibility for such risks by signing this release.

I acknowledge and hereby agree as follows:

Orientation: I understand that I am required to attend any orientation and pre-departure meetings. It is my responsibility to make arrangements to attend any mandatory meetings. _____ (Initial)

Local Laws and Customs: I agree to make myself aware of, respect and adhere to the laws and customs of the host region or country and understand that the intentional violation of or disrespect of those laws and customs may result in my dismissal from the program and/or any future participation in GCC sponsored or approved trips. Furthermore, I acknowledge that the violation of such laws and customs may have legal ramifications with consequences beyond the control of Grove City College and the U.S. Government. _____ (Initial)

Community Expectations: I understand that I am participating in a GCC recognized program, and that appropriate standards must be observed. I agree to maintain any such group standard as GCC may set forth, and that GCC academic and behavior standards as stated in the Crimson apply during Off-Campus Programs. This includes the age of 21 years for consuming alcohol. I further agree to indemnify GCC and its agent(s) or contractors against any consequence, which may ensue as a result of my refusal to comply with such regulations. I understand that the manufacture, distribution, possessions, use or sale of controlled substances as defined by State and U.S. Federal law, or the laws of my host country, is prohibited during the program. I understand that I will be directly subject to the laws and legal procedures of my host country, as applied to the use, possession and distribution of illegal drugs. _____ (Initial)

Program Participation: I agree that GCC reserves the right to enforce rules, standards and instructions of GCC and its agents, and my participation in the program may at any time be terminated by GCC in the light of my failure to follow those regulations or for any other reason which the officials of GCC may deem to be in the best interest of the student group concerned in such a case. I agree to being sent home at my own expense with no guarantee of any subsequent refund from GCC. I waive the right to any due process hearing as a result of any disciplinary actions taken by the College. I understand that GCC reserves the right to make changes or other alterations in a trip itinerary and I agree in advance to accept any such changes. I further understand that I will be responsible for travel costs incurred by the College should I decide, for personal reasons, not to participate in this trip after these costs have been incurred nor will the College be responsible to reimburse me for expenses already incurred by me, or others on my behalf. _____ (Initial)

Health Records, Vaccinations and Preventative Health: I understand that I am responsible to make myself aware of the vaccinations and preventative medications recommended by the Center for Disease Control for travel to my destination country. While getting these vaccinations is not mandatory, it is highly encouraged. I understand that if I choose to not get the recommended vaccinations and preventative medications, I may put myself at a greater risk of contracting disease while traveling. I hereby agree to the release of my medical records or related information. _____ (Initial)

In signing this release, I acknowledge and represent the following:

- A) I have carefully read the foregoing release, understand it and sign it voluntarily as my own free act and deed.
- B) No oral representations, statements or inducements, apart from the foregoing written statement, have been made.
- C) I personally execute this release for full, adequate and complete consideration fully intending to be bound by the same and intending to bind my heirs, successors, assigns, personal representatives and estate.
- D) I also give permission that my medical records and information may be released to my team leader and such medical professionals as determined necessary by the team leader.

ICO Trip Location: _____

Printed Name of Student _____ Date _____

Signature of Participant _____

Printed Name of Parent or Guardian _____ Date _____

Signature of Parent or Guardian _____