



International Initiatives
Office of International Study Programs

**Acknowledgment of
Responsibility & Liability Waiver**

I understand that participation in a Northeastern University study abroad program will take me away from campus for an extended period of time. During this period I understand that I will be exposed to risks—such as dangers of traffic accidents, cultural misunderstandings, and arrest in foreign countries; as well as sudden injuries, illness and depression—and I am prepared to accept these risks.

In consideration of Northeastern University’s approval to participate in this program, I hereby release and hold harmless Northeastern University, its agents and employees, etc., from any and all liability for any loss, damage, injury or expense that I or my next of kin may suffer, including death, as a result of my participation in this program due to any cause whatsoever, including, but not limited to, negligence, breach of contract or breach of any statutory or other duty of care, delay, expense resulting from events beyond their control, acts of nature, war, civil unrest, sickness, transportation, scheduling and government restrictions or regulations.

I further understand that it is my responsibility to abide by all applicable University policies, the laws of the host country and the rules/regulations of the host institution, and to ensure that I have adequate medical, personal health and accident insurance coverage, as well as any available protection for my personal possessions.

I will not participate in any activity, including political activity, which might endanger my local hosts and/or Northeastern University’s partner institutions. However, I recognize that if I should encounter legal difficulties, I can contact the nearest U.S. embassy or consulate for assistance. The U.S. consular officer can provide me with a list of local attorneys and may assist in contacting my family or friends. I understand that the consular officials cannot intercede with local authorities on my behalf.

I recognize that in the event of a general civil emergency, the University, through the Government of the United States, will endeavor to assist, but cannot guarantee assistance for, its students.

It is understood that my Northeastern University study abroad Director and/or faculty leader can require my withdrawal from the program for reasons of illness or conduct unbecoming of a student of Northeastern University, and will be the sole authority in exercising that judgment.

I am bound to this waiver for the period of time that I am participating in a Northeastern University study abroad program. I am aware of the semester start and end dates of my program.

I understand that this agreement can only be modified in writing by Northeastern University and that no oral modification or interpretation shall be valid.

I ACKNOWLEDGE MY OBLIGATIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES.

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

Print Name: _____

Abroad Program and Semester: _____