## **Off Campus Programs Student Agreement**

The undersigned is an Erskine College student seeking to enroll in an off campus study program. In consideration of being allowed to participate in said program, the undersigned agrees to the following obligations and considerations:

Behavioral Responsibilities: Because off campus program participants are guests in a host country, and generally in host families, it is essential that all participants comply with the rules, regulations, and instructions established by the program. It is also essential that all participants understand and respect norms of conduct and patterns of behavior that may be different from standards at home. Erskine College and the host program reserve the right to withdraw from the program any participant who fails to maintain these standards or who engages in conduct deemed incompatible with the interests, welfare, or harmony of other participants. A decision to withdraw a participant is final, and no cost refunds will be made.

<u>Academic Responsibilities</u>: The undersigned acknowledges ultimate responsibility for complying with all course requirements and academic policies and procedures. All participants are expected to attend all class meetings and to complete all assignments and examinations in a timely manner.

Release of Liability: The undersigned releases and agrees to hold harmless Erskine College and any cooperating institution and their trustees, officers, employees, successors, volunteers, and agents from and against any and all claims, damages, and /or causes of action for inconvenience, damage to or loss of property, medical or hospital care, personal illness or injury or death arising out of participation in the Off Campus Program and/or travel or activity conducted by or under the sponsorship of Erskine College or any cooperating institution. This release and hold harmless agreement shall not apply to the extent that any such person is covered by applicable liability insurance.

Health and Safety: The participant understands that there are health risks inherently associated with living and studying abroad. The participant assumes responsibility for obtaining all health information, medical procedures, immunizations, and medications appropriate to the study abroad program. The participant recognizes that during the Off Campus Program medical treatment on an emergency basis may be necessary and further recognizes that it may be difficult to obtain family consent for medical care; in this case, the participant authorizes the supervising adult and/or medical personnel to provide reasonable and necessary medical care including, but not limited to, any emergency surgical procedure or hospitalization.

<u>Withdrawal Policy</u>: The participant is responsible for any and all costs arising from voluntary or involuntary withdrawal from the Off Campus Program prior to its completion, including withdrawal caused by illness or disciplinary action.

<u>Indemnity</u>: The participant agrees to assume the liability for, and to indemnify and defend Erskine College from, any and all claims or damages for sickness, personal injury, death, property damage, or any other loss that may arise, either wholly or in part, out of any negligent, intentional, or other act or omission by the participant in connection with the program.

<u>Document Responsibility</u>: No responsibility is accepted by Erskine College for failure by participants to acquire and carry relevant passports, visas, tickets, or other documents for the purpose of travel or for their loss or replacement.

<u>Rights to Images</u>: The participant grants Erskine College and its agents the rights to use, reproduce, assign, and/or distribute photographs, films, videotapes, and sound recordings of the participant, for use in materials they may create.

<u>Legal Issues</u>: The participant understands that, as a citizen of the United States in a foreign country, she or he will be subject to the laws and ordinances of that country. Erskine College does not guarantee what, if any, assistance it can provide to participants with legal problems.

The undersigned acknowledges that she / he is above the age of 18, that she / he had read the above statement and agrees to the conditions set forth therein.

Signature:	 	
Print Name:		
Witness 1:		
Witness 2:		
Date:		