

## Part I. Participant Agreement

I, \_\_\_\_\_, in consideration of my acceptance as a participant in La Salle University's \_\_\_\_\_, do voluntarily and without reservation and on behalf of myself, my heirs and my estate, waive any and all claims of whatever nature for any injury, loss, damage, accident, delay, irregularity or expense arising from the use of any vehicle or services, strike, war, weather, sickness, quarantine, government restrictions or regulations, or from any act or omission of any steamship, airline, railroad, bus transportation, sightseeing, hotel or any other service or transportation company, firm, individual or agency or for any other cause whatever in connection therewith against La Salle University, its employees, officers, volunteers, or Trustees, any host schools, or the heirs or estate of any of the aforementioned. I also grant La Salle University or any of its employees, officers, volunteers, or Trustees full authority to take whatever action they feel is warranted under the circumstances regarding my health and safety. This authority will permit La Salle University, its employees, officers, volunteers, or Trustees at their discretion, to place me, at my own expense, in a hospital at any point for medical services and treatment, or if no hospital is available, to place me in the hands of a local doctor for treatment. La Salle University, its employees, officers, volunteers, or Trustees are further authorized to fly me back to the United States at my own (or my Parents') expense for medical treatment if this is deemed by La Salle University, in consultation with local medical authorities, to be necessary.

If accepted, I, as a participant, promise to support and uphold the standards set forth by La Salle University. I will further strive to be friendly to all members of the group, accept the will of the majority whenever a matter of choice presents itself, and accept the suggestions and recommendations of the leaders in all matters relating to the program or my personal conduct. I also understand that I am subject to all regulations and policies stated in the La Salle University Bulletin and Student Handbook. I understand that ignorance of these policies does not relieve me of any financial or academic obligations.

It is agreed that this is a supervised program, and that the group standard must be observed. La Salle University reserves the right to terminate the participant's membership for failure to maintain these standards, or if it deems his/her acts of conduct detrimental to or incompatible with the interest, harmony, comfort or welfare of the program as a whole. If a participant's membership is terminated by La Salle University, only any funds not actually spent will be refunded, and the former participant will be sent home at his/her expense. If a student voluntarily withdraws from the La Salle University program during the program, he/she is liable for the full cost of the program.

I agree to indemnify La Salle University, its employees, officers, volunteers, and Trustees for any harm I cause and accept full responsibility for any financial liability or obligation which I personally incur, or injury or damage to the person or property of others which I cause or contribute to while participating in the program.

I agree that La Salle University reserves the right to make cancellations, changes or substitutions in the event of emergencies or changed conditions or in the interest of the group, and to alter

prior to departure the cost in order to meet unexpected changes in airfare, lodging rates, etc. The announced fee is based on current tariffs which are subject to change.

Any student who violates any criminal law in the country of travel will be subject to automatic dismissal following a review by the leader of the program. If dismissal should result from the review, future academic status will be determined by La Salle University.

I understand I must have a valid passport and *International Student Identity Card* to participate in this program.

\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Signature of Participant

\_\_\_\_\_ Please print participant's name here \_\_\_\_\_ Signature of Parent or Guardian (required if Participant is under the age of 18)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Witness: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ La Salle: \_\_\_\_\_

## Part II. La Salle University Release

The parties to this Release are \_\_\_\_\_ (Student), \_\_\_\_\_ (Student's parents or legal guardian, if student is under 18) both referred to hereafter jointly and severally as "Student"), and La Salle University (hereafter "La Salle").

The Student, with the consent of the Student's parents or legal guardian, has chosen to participate in the La Salle University Travel-Study Abroad Program, (hereafter "Program"), during the \_\_\_\_\_ 200\_\_ semester.

**NOW THEREFORE**, La Salle and Student agree as follows:

### **I. RELEASE**

In consideration of La Salle accepting Student into the Program, Student, her/his heirs, executors, administrators, employers, agents, representatives, insurers and attorneys, hereby forever release and discharge La Salle, its officers, trustees, faculty, employees, agents or assistants and representatives, either in their individual capacities or by reason of their relationship to La Salle (hereafter "released parties"), from any and all claims, demands, losses, causes of action, suits or judgments of any kind whatsoever, which Student or his/her heirs, representatives, executors, administrators, volunteers, or any other persons acting on behalf of

Student or on behalf of Student's estate, have or may have against La Salle which may arise from any cause whatsoever, including any accident, illness, injury, death, negligent act or omission by the released parties, failure to pass any course or class or obtain particular grades, loss of or damage to property that occurs to any person including Student, or other consequences arising or resulting directly or indirectly from Student's participation in the Program, including but not limited to air flights or other travel associated with the Program and any time subsequent thereto.

The Student recognizes and agrees that the released parties assume no responsibility for any liability, damage or injury that may be caused by Student's negligence or willful acts committed, related to, or during participation in the Program, or for any liability, damage or injury caused by the intentional or negligent acts or omissions of any other participant in the Program, or caused by any other person.

## **II. RESPONSIBILITY**

Student understands and agrees to attend and participate in all excursions that are a part of the Program. Student understands that failure to do so will result in a reduction of grade including the possibility of course failure.

It is understood and agreed that should student elect to remain overseas at the location of the Program or elsewhere after participation in the Program, La Salle will cease to act as a sponsor for student. Should student drop out of the Program voluntarily or involuntarily, La Salle will cease to act as sponsor for student thereafter. In both of the foregoing events, this release shall remain in full force and effect.

Student agrees and warrants that La Salle cannot and shall not be held responsible in any way for Student's safety needs or well-being during any period in which Student is not directly participating in the Program (including off hours and breaks), and further recognizes that Student does not have the right to use Student's automobile or to provide Student's own transportation for any time during the Program. In the event Student uses transportation other than that provided by the Program during the Program or any break therefrom, Student acknowledges and agrees that Student shall be fully liable for all accidents or losses arising out of Student's use of Student's automobile or transportation, and that any insurance provided by the travel contractor will not cover such and Student hereby releases and discharges La Salle and each of its trustees, agents, employees, and volunteers from all liability for such use as set forth above in the paragraph entitled Release and the paragraph entitled Indemnification.

It is understood by the parties hereto that the cost of transportation to and from the Study Abroad Program center shall be paid by Student as an individual, and in no instance shall be paid by La Salle or the Study Abroad Program. It is further understood that maximum participation in the group transportation arranged for the Study Abroad Program is necessary to obtain the most favorable rates, departure dates, and arrangements upon arrival in the host country; therefore, Student is expected to participate in such group transportation unless Student otherwise informs La Salle in writing of independent travel arrangements. In such case, Student agrees to arrive on the date and at a place and time specified by La Salle, and understands that if he/she arrives late, he/she shall be subject to dismissal from the Program. It is understood that certain programs may

require participation of Student in group transportation arranged by Program, and in such an instance, Student agrees to participate in the appropriate group transportation.

Student understands that he/she is responsible for payment of any expenses he/she incurs during the course of the Program, including rent, utilities, telephone bills, etc. Student should keep receipts for all such payments. Student is also responsible for any damages he/she may cause during the course of the Program, including damage to housing or other property. If Student fails to meet these responsibilities and La Salle pays the expense incurred or caused by Student, La Salle will recharge those expenses to Student plus an administrative fee.

Student understands and agrees that it is his/her responsibility to have sufficient funds available for maintenance while participating in the Program and for his/her return transportation from the host country.

### III. GENERAL

It is understood and agreed that if any provision of this Release or the application thereof is held invalid, the invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this Release which can be given effect without the invalid provisions or applications and to this end the provisions of this Release are declared severable.

This Release shall be construed in accordance with, and governed by, the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. All lawsuits brought by one party hereto against the other and which are in regard to this Release or in any way related to Student's participation in the Program shall be filed and litigated in a court of competent jurisdiction in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Student acknowledges that she/he has read this Release and that she/he understands its meaning and effect.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Student: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Parents or Legal Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_  
(If Student is under 18)  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Witness: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_ La Salle: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please return complete signed copies by participants and witnesses to:  
International Education Coordinator  
Multicultural and International Center  
1923 W. Olney Avenue  
Philadelphia, PA 19141**