

LaGrange College Short-Term Study Away Programs: Contract for Behavior

I understand that while abroad, that I represent LaGrange College and the United States of America in the eyes of my foreign hosts. Therefore, I promise to adhere to the following rules specific to this program:

- Be on time for classes, excursions, plane or bus departures; I will have a watch.
- Attend all class meetings, participate in group excursions, etc.
- Be attentive and respectful in class **which may include** class during bus/van rides or visits to cultural sites, places of worship.
- Behave appropriately (no unruly, rude, violent, drunken or disruptive behavior) in class, on the plane or bus, in the hotels, residences, dormitories, or on class excursions; this includes no large gatherings in your hotel room.
- Limit the use of my phone and other technology to appropriate times and not let it affect my ability to interact with the group or to the experience my surroundings in-country.
- Observe the laws and standards of acceptable conduct regarding dress, manners, drug/alcohol use in the country or countries through which I am traveling.
- I understand that neither the LC travel instructor nor the in-country US Embassy or Consulate can obtain release from jail if I am jailed for any reason.
- If a smoker, I will smoke only in designated places in-country; I am aware that many of our accommodations are Non-smoking.
- I will not go out alone especially at night or accept rides from strangers, and will stay in small groups when not participating in program activities.
- I will not engage in risky behaviors that will endanger myself or that could, potentially, severely disrupt the entire program.
- If I know of a serious situation that could jeopardize a fellow student or the program, I will report it to the travel instructor.
- I will watch out for my traveling companions and do what I can to help keep them safe.
- I will be tolerant, kind, and non-judgmental toward others in the group.
- I must be in good shape and be able to carry my own luggage, as well as things I buy.
- I understand that if I am expelled from this program it will negatively affect my ability to participate in any future LC approved or sponsored study away programs.

I understand that if I violate any of these rules, I will be warned verbally and, possibly, in writing by the course instructor.

If the behavior continues, I understand that I will be withdrawn from the course and it will then be my responsibility to make my own way home. My parents/guardians will be informed of this action and I will be responsible for covering the cost of the emergency plane ticket back to the United States.

At the discretion of the travel instructor, I understand that it may be possible to travel to other locations on free days. I understand that I am responsible for obtaining the travel instructor's approval and submitting to them in writing any travel plans including method of travel, names of others who will be traveling with me, and departure and arrival times.

If I intend to extend my stay abroad beyond the course travel dates and travel on my own, I understand that I am responsible for submitting to the instructor and the Office of Global Engagement a completed Deviation from Itinerary Request form which they will need to sign and keep on file. I understand that this must be done prior to departure and as far in advance as possible so flight plans can be adjusted as needed. I understand I will pay for any additional costs for these arrangements. Further, I understand that neither LaGrange College, nor its faculty/staff, are responsible for any non-program sponsored travel by myself.

Student Signature

Date

Professor Signature

Date