Note to Student: Regardless of age, all study abroad applicants are required to have this form completed by a parent/guardian. If, for any reason, you are unable to have a parent/guardian complete this form, please notify the Study Abroad Coordinator in writing. Please submit the ORIGINAL SIGNED Parent/Guardian Acknowledgement Form; faxes or scanned copies are not accepted.

PART I: PARENT/GUARDIAN STATEMENT OF SUPPORT

I, ___________________________, parent/guardian of ____________________________

   Name of parent/guardian (please print)   Name of son/daughter (please print)

give permission (for students under age 19) or, am aware of and support my son/daughter’s decision (for students above age 19), to participate in study abroad during

   Intended Term of Participation (e.g. Fall 2012, Spring 2013, Summer 2013)

PART II: PARENT/GUARDIAN ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF STUDY ABROAD POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Read the following information carefully. Initial each statement in the space provided, indicating that you have read and understood each statement. Sign the section indicated on the reverse side.

_____ I understand that while Creighton will inform my son/daughter about the risks involved in travel and study abroad, my son/daughter will be responsible for his/her safety if he/she is accepted for study abroad.

_____ I have read and understand the student eligibility requirements for study abroad as outlined below and I understand that if my son/daughter does not meet these eligibility criteria on a continuous basis, up to the date of his/her departure for the study abroad program, he/she will not be able to study abroad.

   Eligibility Requirements for Study Abroad

   • Students must complete two full semesters on the Creighton (Omaha) campus before going abroad and must achieve sophomore standing prior to departure.
   • First year (freshman) and transfer students are eligible to apply for study abroad after completion of one full semester (fall or spring) of study at Creighton. Proposals to Study Abroad received prior to the completion of one full semester will be held until completion of the term.
   • Minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 or higher at the time of application.
   • Good academic standing and satisfactory academic progress toward a degree at Creighton.
   • Participation in the Pre-Departure Orientation.
   • Students must receive final approval for study abroad.
   • Submission of all required forms and documentation by the Forms Deadline. For spring semester participation the Forms Deadline is December 1st. For summer, academic year, and fall semester participation the Forms Deadline is May 1st.

_____ Disciplinary Eligibility Requirements for Study Abroad

   • On the basis of documentation provided by the Center for Student Integrity, the OIP reviews the disciplinary records of all students seeking study abroad approval and determines their eligibility to apply and participate in study abroad.
   • Students on disciplinary probation are not eligible to apply for or participate in study abroad programs. They MUST have one full semester (fall or spring) on the Creighton (Omaha) campus, with no additional disciplinary incidents between the end of the probationary period and departure to the host country.

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I acknowledge that Creighton is not responsible for any withdrawal fees or other monetary losses incurred by my son/daughter if he/she becomes ineligible to study abroad. I fully understand this financial limitation.

I understand that my son/daughter will be required to have health insurance coverage during the time he/she is studying abroad.

I understand that the OIP cannot guarantee that facilities, resources, and support services for students with disabilities will be available abroad to the same extent as students may be accustomed to in the United States. I understand that some elements of a study abroad program may be inaccessible and that certain limitations may be outside of Creighton University’s control to modify. I understand that if my son/daughter is approved to participate in a study abroad program and he/she or I believe that he/she may require accommodations, it is my son/daughter’s responsibility to consult with the Office of Disability Accommodations as soon as possible after receiving an approval notice for their assurance in planning for the study abroad experience. I will encourage my son/daughter to do so.

I understand that Creighton and the OIP reserve the right to rescind my son/daughter’s approval to study abroad in the event that the State Department issues a travel warning for the country in which the program is going to be held. I understand that it is my son/daughter’s responsibility to stay informed about travel warnings concerning the country to which my son/daughter will be traveling.

I understand that my son/daughter will be representing the Creighton community if he/she is permitted to study abroad, and I agree to discuss what this responsibility means with my son/daughter.

I understand that all students studying abroad for Creighton University credit are subject to Creighton’s Student Handbook, as well as the rules and regulations established by the study abroad program. A student who violates these rules, including Creighton’s Study Abroad Policies and Procedures, may be subject to disciplinary action upon return to Creighton. Creighton also reserves the right to deny academic credit to any student who is dismissed from a study abroad program for unacceptable behavior.

I understand that the study abroad administrator/director has the authority to dismiss a student from the study abroad program, and require the student to return to the United States, if his/her behavior is unacceptable. In the case of a dismissal from the program, I understand that Creighton University will not be responsible for the cost of the student’s return airfare home, nor will the student be eligible for a refund of any of the program costs.

I acknowledge that I have read and understood Creighton University’s Study Abroad Policies and Procedures in their entirety. The Study Abroad Policies and Procedures can be found online http://www2.creighton.edu/internationalprograms/studyabroad/policiesprocedures/index.php

PART III: PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE

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Parent/Guardian Signature (electronic signature not accepted) / /

Today’s Date

Please Return Form to Student or Mail To:
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Office of International Programs
Creighton University
2500 California Plaza
Omaha, NE 68178
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