

**Castleton College
Travel Waiver**

Name of Program: _____ Dates of travel: _____

PLEASE READ ALL THAT FOLLOWS BEFORE SIGNING BELOW

Before traveling as part of the Castleton College program as indicated above, I understand and agree that travel, particularly foreign travel [if pertinent], presents risks to me and my property. These can include, but are not limited to, in addition to the risks inherent in any mode of transportation: unfamiliar and different climate, terrain, food and drink, customs and laws, social and sexual mores, safety practices and regulations, driving practices, disease risks, and available health care services. I understand that I am responsible for researching and evaluating the risks and I am responsible for my actions. Therefore, I agree to accept any and all risks associated with this travel program.

[Optional, to be completed by trip leaders] I understand that in addition to the general summary of risks listed above, specific health and safety considerations for this trip include:

(e.g. hiking on slippery glaciers; walking in hot, humid conditions; exposure to poisonous insects and reptiles)

I agree that in partial consideration of Castleton College's sponsoring of this program and permitting the student to participate, I will not attempt to hold Castleton College, or the Vermont State Colleges, its Trustees, officers, agents, or employees liable in damages for any injury or loss to person or property that I might sustain while so participating; and I hereby release Castleton College, or the Vermont State Colleges, its Trustees, officers, agents, or employees from any liability whatsoever for any personal injury or property damage directly or indirectly arising from or related to my participation in this travel program.

[Optional, to be completed by trip leaders] I further understand that I must abide by the following rules in effect during this trip:

(e.g. rules about alcohol; drugs; smoking; buddy system; curfew; overnight guests in rooms; transportation from the airport)

I understand that, as a participant in this Castleton College travel program, I am a representative of the College and, by signing this agreement, pledge to deport myself in a manner that reflects favorably upon the College. I agree to comply at all times with all rules, standards, and instructions for student behavior as set forth in the College Handbook of Castleton College and issued by the travel program leaders. I understand that I may be disciplined or dismissed from the program for behavior detrimental to the program or in violation of College rules and regulations or violation of any laws of the host country. I understand that all costs associated with dismissal will be borne by the participant. I understand that the program leaders have complete discretion to assess the severity of any violation I may commit and to impose, based on their sole judgment, the appropriate sanction and/or remedy. I

also understand that any such violations may be reported to the appropriate administrator and may form the basis of a disciplinary hearing upon my return.

By my signature below, I agree to this Waiver outlined above. I acknowledge that I have read the above and understand its meaning and effect. My agreement is wholly voluntary and without duress or coercion. I further understand that before signing this agreement I have the right to consult with an advisor, counselor, or attorney of my choice. I further certify that I am 18 years of age or older.

I further agree that if any provision of the above is held invalid, the invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this Waiver which can be given effect without the invalid provisions or applications.

name of participant (please print)

signature of participant

date