

ACU's Study Abroad programs are designed to promote academic excellence through blending experiential and classroom learning; these programs allow students to be immersed in the host country's culture. They are also designed to provide a safe learning environment, one in which all students will grow and learn. When students choose to deviate from the program's rules, there are consequences for such actions.

Failure to conform to ACU and Study Abroad program rules will be handled by a disciplinary committee chaired by the ACU faculty-in-residence. If the offense warrants expulsion from the program, the student will be responsible for all expenses including return airfare.

Offenses that may result in dismissal from the program include:

- Substance abuse (illegal drugs or alcohol)
- Sexual promiscuity
- Theft
- Illegal use of computer lab and/or Internet such as copying or possessing copyrighted materials
- Assault
- Making threats against another individual
- Any violation of any local law could result in expulsion

Some offenses that may result in suspension or other disciplinary action such as travel restrictions include:

- Use of abusive language
- Inappropriate dress
- Failure to inform the appropriate Study Abroad personnel regarding travel plans
- Possession of or accessing pornography
- Use of tobacco

The rules of dress and behavior are essentially the same as those on campus in Abilene as printed in the *Student Handbook* (www.acu.edu/admissions/studentguide.html).

Contract:

I understand that the general guidelines of Abilene Christian University and the specific rules of this contract will be required for all participants in ACU Study Abroad programs and that any exceptions made to specific guidelines due to the special off-campus circumstances of the Study Abroad program must be approved in writing by the Dean of Student Life, the On-site Director and the Executive Director of Study Abroad programs.

I also understand and agree to abide by the following specific guidelines related to the Study Abroad program:

1. To abide by all regulations governing housing, study facilities, and travel as outlined in the literature and as stated by Study Abroad personnel.
2. To attend all classes and all called meetings, including chapel and devotional meetings, during the Study Abroad experience.
3. To remain in the city of residence whenever classes are in session except when given permission in writing by the ACU faculty-in-residence or designee.
4. To provide the faculty-in-residence or designee in writing and in advance information related to any travel plans or independent activities, including where I will be and when I will return.

I understand and agree to abide by the dates set forth by the Study Abroad Office and agree that if I choose to stay later than the program established dates, I will be responsible for all travel arrangements and any additional expenses. I understand and agree that my failure to comply with any part of this agreement constitutes grounds for suspension or dismissal from the program and upon the recommendation of the executive director of the Center for International and Intercultural Education or designee, I may be sent home at my own expense.

STUDENT SIGNATURE

BANNER I.D.

PRINTED NAME

DATE

OFFICE USE ONLY: Date received _____