

Participation Agreement

Office of International Education & Programs

Fall 2014 Course with International Study January, 2015

PED 399/BIO 301: Climbing Machu Picchu/Lake Titicaca

Additional Program Policies, Requirements, & Recommendations

The State University of New York at Oswego fall 2014 course with travel with a scheduled January, 2015 visit to Machu Picchu & Lake Titicaca (The Program) is guided by special rules and policies necessary for a successful course and study tour experience for all involved. These rules and policies are in some instances required by the State University of New York at Oswego (SUNY Oswego), and in other instances by the government of Peru. In addition to the Verification of Program Policies Form and the Agreement and Release for Study Abroad form, it is an absolute requirement that all students participating in this program read and sign this agreement. Return one copy to the Office of International Education and Programs. Keep one copy with you during your time abroad. Failure to return a signed copy to the OIEP will result in your being withdrawn from the course and program.

I, the undersigned, understand that the Program may not be able to make all provisions for special dietary needs. I am prepared to make the necessary adjustments and to partake, without requiring special dispensation or attention, of the established meals and menus provided to me by the Program and knowing that they are the best arrangements that can be procured considering the circumstances and the basic requirements of student travel.

I understand that for approximately two weeks I will be in Peru. Although I will be provided with daily necessities and basic services such as food, water, electricity, and sanitation, I agree to put up with the minor—and not so minor—inconveniences that might occur. I will keep an open mind.

I will also refrain from purchasing, handling, or consuming illegal drugs (including but not limited to marijuana) and from participating in any activity where illegal drugs may be present. I understand that penalties for such offenses in Peru are particularly high, especially with regards to foreigners directly or indirectly engaged in them.

I understand that a number of vaccinations (e.g. Hepatitis A, Hepatitis B, Typhoid, etc.) are recommended by the US Center for Disease Control and Prevention. It is my responsibility to seek/follow the advice of my healthcare provider. I understand that additional health precautions including vaccination requirements might be issued by the Government of Peru. I understand the failure to follow the “required” vaccination guidelines will disqualify me from participation. I further understand that it is my responsibility to inform the professors/program directors of any concerns that I have about these and other health precautions required or advised for this program.

Finally, I fully understand that the professors/program directors have the authority to decide disciplinary matters and to dispense discipline at all times during the program. I acknowledge that the professors/program directors can take whatever measures they deem appropriate to resolve disputes among the students, including the reassignment of beds and rooms, as well as the imposition of curfews and the restriction of student activities to certain hours, should the need arise. I also understand that the professors/program directors have the authority to send students home at any point during the program if health, discipline, or other major reasons were to merit such drastic measures and I agree to abide by their decisions without question. I also understand that neither the professors/program directors nor the State University of New York at Oswego shall be responsible for me in the case that I should knowingly and willfully break laws in Peru.

ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND RELEASE OF CLAIMS

In consideration of being permitted to participate in the PED 399/BIO 301: Climbing Machu Picchu/Lake Titicaca Program ("the Program") the undersigned, being of sound mind and body and being of lawful age, seeks to voluntarily and at his/her own risk participate in the State University of New York College at Oswego's (College) travel to Peru. ("the Program") between the dates of January 3 and January 18, 2014;

In consideration thereof, the undersigned does hereby covenant and agree with the College.

THAT THE UNDERSIGNED FOR HERSELF/HIMSELF, her/his heirs, executors, administrators, agents and/or assigns does hereby forever exonerate, release, acquit and discharge the College, the State University of New York and the State of New York, their officers, employees, agents and/or assigns from all fines, claims, demands, damages, actions, suits, judgments, debts, liabilities, injuries and causes of action of every nature, including death, which the undersigned has, or, may have, or which the undersigned's heirs, executors, administrators, agents and/or assigns has, or may have against the College, the State University of New York and the State of New York, their officers, employees, agents and/or assigns, for all fines, claims, demands, damages, actions, suits, judgments, debts, liabilities, injuries and causes of action of every nature, including death, known or unknown caused by or arising out of that certain sequence of events relating to the Event between the dates of January 3 and January 18, 2014.

The undersigned further agrees to protect, defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the College, the State University of New York and the State of New York, their officers, employees, agents and/or assigns from and against any and all fines, claims, demands, damages, actions, suits, judgments, debts, liabilities, injuries and causes of action of every nature, including death, which may occur or be alleged to have occurred to all persons and property of the undersigned, their heirs, executors, administrators, agents and/or assigns, so far as the same arises out of the Event between the dates of January 3 and January 18, 2014, and does not arise from the intentional acts of the College, the State University of New York, and the State of New York, their officers, employees, agents and/or assigns, and from and against all reasonable costs,

counsel and other legal fees, expenses and liabilities incurred in and about any such claim, the investigation thereof, or the defense of any action or proceeding brought thereon, and from and against any orders judgments and/or decrees which may be entered therein.

I the undersigned have read this release and understand all of its terms. I execute it voluntarily and with full knowledge of its significance.

I, the undersigned, have read, understood, and agree to abide by the above rules, terms and policies, and have read, understood and agree to the Assumption of Risk and Release of Claims:

Your name, printed Your signature Date

Parent /Guardian's Signature (required if student is under 18) Date