



CIEE Program Participant Contract and Forum and Methodology for Dispute Resolution Agreement

This form is important. Please read it carefully. All participants over the age of 18 and parents or guardians of participants under age 18 MUST sign this form.

I understand and agree that this Contract shall constitute a binding contract between the undersigned and "CIEE". "CIEE" is defined to include: the Council on International Educational Exchange, its owners, directors, officers, employees, and affiliates.

Release

Except for CIEE Site directors and staff, CIEE does not own or operate any entity which is to or does provide goods or services for the Program including for example arrangements for or ownership or control over houses, apartments or other lodging facilities, classrooms or study facilities, airline, vessel, bus or other transportation companies, local ground operators, visa processing services, providers or organizers of optional excursions, food service or entertainment providers, host schools, etc. All such persons and entities who provide these goods and services are independent contractors. As a result, CIEE is not liable for any negligent or willful act or failure to act of any such person or entity, or of any other third party. Without limitation, CIEE is not responsible for any injury, loss, or damage to person or property, death, delay or inconvenience in connection with the provision of any goods or services occasioned by or resulting from, but not limited to, acts of God, force majeure, acts of government, acts of war or civil unrest, insurrection or revolt, strikes or other labor activities, criminal, terrorist or threatened terrorist activities of any kind, overbooking or downgrading of accommodations, structural or other defective conditions in houses, apartments or other lodging facilities (or in any heating, plumbing, electrical or structural system therein), mechanical or other failure of airplanes or other means of transportation or for any failure of any transportation mechanism to arrive or depart timely or safely, dangers associated with or bites from animals, insects or pests, sanitation problems, food poisoning, epidemics or the threat thereof, disease, lack of access to or quality of medical care, difficulty in evacuation in case of a medical or other emergency, or for any other cause beyond the direct control of CIEE.

Indemnification Clause

I agree to indemnify and hold CIEE harmless from all claims and damages related to actions brought against CIEE for injury or damage caused by Participant and to reimburse CIEE for any expenses incurred for such claims brought against CIEE while Participant is enrolled in the Program, present at a CIEE location or while using CIEE facilities, services, and/or equipment, as well as for costs and expenses based upon receipt of medical care or treatment for any physical or mental condition, etc., including, without limitation, claims which arise from Participant's negligence, horseplay, violation of any CIEE rule, willful misconduct, or criminal behavior.

I agree to accept responsibility if Participant's acts or omissions cause or threaten to cause damage of any kind whatsoever to Third Parties. Further, in the event of such damage or loss, I agree to indemnify and hold CIEE harmless from any and all liability or actions taken by Third Parties for said damage or loss.



CIEE Sites

CIEE has local staff in the host country. CIEE Sites work on delivering programming, supervising excursions and outings, and find host families for CIEE Participants. CIEE Sites are also the visa sponsor in some program host countries. CIEE Site employees are CIEE employees and are defined as such in this Contract.

Foreign Travel and Assumption of Risk

Travel in nations where CIEE operates programs may not be similar to travel within the Participant's home country. Programs in nations where CIEE operates can involve inconvenience and risk, including, but not limited to, forces of nature, geographic, and climatic conditions, different hygienic standards, infrastructure problems (such as road maintenance, transportation delays, and accommodation conditions), civil unrest, vandalism, crime, political instability, and terrorism.

Medical services or facilities may not be readily available during all or part of the Program and, if available, may not be equal to standards in the Participant's home country. Participant may be exposed, or expose others, to contagious and potentially harmful or deadly diseases including, but not limited to influenza, common cold, meningitis, or measles.

Participant may also be exposed to risks while traveling (including but not limited to, buses, trains, private cars, taxis, airplanes, and bicycles), exposure to large crowds (including, but not limited to, museums, festivals, musical events, sporting events, etc.), and exposure to risks related to receipt of treatment for any physical or mental condition.

Participant assumes all risk of bodily injury, death, emotional trauma, property damage, inconvenience, and/or loss resulting from such risks.

Demonstrations, Rallies and Protests

Demonstrations, rallies, protests and the like are reasonably frequent in many countries. CIEE participants must not actively participate in any such events.

In addition, CIEE may advise that participants should not even observe certain such events, and in such a case, participants may not attend or observe any such event. In all cases observation of and/or attendance at or near any such events, whether or not subject to a CIEE warning or directive, entails risk of physical injury, death and/or loss of property. As a result, any such observation, attendance or participation is solely at Participant's own risk. I agree to hold CIEE harmless from any liability as a result of Participant's attendance at or near or participation in any such event.

Right to Decline, Accept, Dismiss, or Retain

CIEE reserves the right to decline to accept or accept any person as a participant in any program at any time before the program begins or during the program or to dismiss a participant from the program if participant has failed to comply with any provision(s) of this contract, if his/her continued participation or presence in the program, in CIEE's view, constitutes a risk to Participant's health, to the health or safety of a third party or to the enjoyment of or integrity of the program.

CIEE has an interest in preserving the character of its programs, all of which require participant discussion, interaction and intercultural understanding. The acceptance of the Participant's application

will be based on CIEE's judgment of Participant's age, health, well-being, qualifications and maturity and/or whether participation could compromise the learning experience of other participants on the program and/or whether the Participant would be able to gain full benefit from participation in the program.

In the event Participant is dismissed or withdraws from the program prematurely, no refunds will be made except in the case where programs are cancelled by CIEE in which case refunds will be issued as per the terms of the Fees and Cancellation Policy ("Attachment A").

I understand that any violation of the policies in this Contract or in the Program Rules ("Attachment B") may lead to Participant's termination from the Program and/or an early return home.

Medical Condition/Care

I certify that Participant is in good health and do not have any physical or mental condition which will create a danger or hazard for Participant, other participants, or third parties. Participant agrees to complete and submit the Health History and Consent Forms with Participant's primary care physician or qualified medical professional after acceptance on a CIEE program and by the required deadline. If the Health History and Consent Forms are incomplete by the deadline, CIEE retains the right to cancel Participant's application, deny participation in the program, and/or revoke or suspend any scholarship award.

Participant is solely responsible for medical care before participation on the Program, during the Program, and after the Program, including, but not limited to, obtaining and taking necessary medication(s), vaccinations and any other medical care and treatment. Participant agrees to consult a physician qualified in travel medicine, immunizations and infectious/tropical diseases prior to Participant's departure for the Program. In addition, Participants should review applicable Centers for Disease Control Information (see www.cdc.gov/travel) concerning the locations. Participant agrees to bring enough medication with them to last the entire program. CIEE strongly recommends bringing extra medication as well because not all medications (or an equivalent) will be available in every country. Participant is responsible for taking the dosage of medication as prescribed by the physician and Participant may not change dosage without authorization from physician. If Participant is taking a prescription medication and does not bring enough to last the entire program, Participant will be dismissed from the program if CIEE Staff determines Participant's health, wellbeing and/or safety are at risk.

In the event of a medical emergency, CIEE will attempt to secure appropriate treatment. However, CIEE makes no warranty that it will be able to cause effective (or any) emergency treatment to be administered. I authorize CIEE and/or third parties to provide first aid assistance and/or obtain medical care for Participant and/or transport (including via ambulance) to a medical facility or hospital if, in the sole opinion of CIEE, or any third party, medical attention is needed. Any such care or transport will be at Participant's expense.

Perceived or actual epidemics (such as, but not limited to, Zika, SARS, bird flu, Ebola, etc.) can delay, disrupt, interrupt or cancel the Program.

Insurance

All U.S. Resident participants on a Program located outside of the United States are covered by travel insurance purchased for participants by CIEE. The cost of this insurance is included in the Program Fee. Coverage provided by this policy is meant to supplement private insurance and to provide coverage for activities related to traveling abroad. Information on the coverage of this policy will be provided in an email sent to the Participant prior to departure. The purchase of additional medical, evacuation, trip cancellation, trip interruption, baggage loss/damage, accident/sickness and any and any other applicable insurance is strongly recommended.

I acknowledge and understand that I am responsible for paying any and all medical costs up front. The supplemental insurance that CIEE purchases for the Participant will only pay for covered medical costs after the receipts are submitted for reimbursement. Therefore, Participant will need to have access to money in case of an emergency to pay for any medical costs. Participant should keep all receipts, invoices, and claim information from any and all medical care and can then submit them for reimbursement. CIEE and host families are not responsible for advancing these costs for Participant. More information on submitting claims for reimbursement will be provided to all Participants prior to departure.

I understand that health care and evacuations outside Participant's home country are not covered by most standard insurance policies and can be extremely expensive. I am solely responsible for payment of any and all medical evacuation, trip cancellation, trip interruption, baggage loss/damage, accident/sickness, or any other associated expenses incurred by Participant during or related to the Program which are not covered by the insurance purchased by CIEE due to benefit ceilings and/or exclusions to the policy. I understand that maintenance/preventative care is not a component of the CIEE insurance policy and that I am solely responsible for Participant's medical, psychological, and physical condition for the duration of the Program. Should any medical, psychological, or physical problems arise during the course of the Program, I am solely responsible for any and all care that Participant may need; and all costs and expenses for any such care to the extent not covered by the CIEE insurance policy.

I agree to pay all costs and expenses associated with any and all medical care and related transportation provided for Participant at the time of the illness/injury or within 30 days of receiving the bill and will indemnify and hold CIEE harmless from any costs or expenses incurred therein or claims originating therefrom.

Visas

Visas are required for some Programs. CIEE will inform Participant if they need a visa. I understand that CIEE is not responsible for processing, securing, obtaining or purchasing Participant's visa. Visa requirements are dictated by the government of the country in which the Program is run. I acknowledge that it is Participant's responsibility to apply for the visa and allow sufficient processing time. I understand that part of the visa process may require a visit to the host country Consulate. Consulates are located only in certain cities in the U.S. Participant must be prepared to travel to the Consulate and pay any associated costs.



For programs requiring visas, the CIEE Site in the host country will be the sponsor of the visa. However, CIEE is not responsible for processing, securing, obtaining or purchasing a visa for Participant.

All expenses associated with obtaining a visa are an additional expense outside the Program Fee. Participants are responsible for these additional costs.

Laws and Customs of the Host Country

Participant is obligated to comply with local laws and customs while traveling abroad. Many such local laws and customs may be substantially different from those in Participant's home country. I understand Participant's conduct can have an effect on the benefits intended by the Program for other participants, CIEE, and the Participant. Participant agrees to conduct himself/herself in a manner that will support mutually beneficial interaction with other participants, CIEE, and host families. Unacceptable conduct can result in dismissal from the Program with no right of refund.

Expenses

Participant is solely responsible for any and all expenses and costs incurred by Participant before, during and after the Program except for the costs of items expressly listed on the CIEE Global Navigator Gap Year Abroad website as being covered by the Program Fee. Under no circumstances will CIEE or a host family be responsible for any expenses incurred by the Participant in preparing for the Program (including, but not limited to, visa fees, passport fees, immunization expenses, baggage fees including those for overweight baggage, spending money, etc.). Additionally, Participant is responsible for paying any and all medical costs up front and then submitting the receipts and invoices for medical services to the insurance company for reimbursement. Participant is also responsible for all costs accrued (including, but not limited to, telephone, postal expenses, additional medical costs not paid by insurance, etc.) before Participant returns home at the end of the Program or within 30 days of receiving the bill. If Participant withdraws or is dismissed from the Program and must take an earlier flight home, Participant is solely responsible for the associated costs and expenses. If a participant agrees to attend a host school that is private, where there are tuition costs incurred, all fees must be paid in line with the host school invoice schedule.

In addition, Participant is responsible for any costs or fees associated with arriving in country prior to program start or staying in country after program end.

It is strongly recommended that Participant have access to at least \$250 a month in spending money.

Paid or Volunteer Employment

Participant is not allowed to perform any paid employment while on the Program. However, Participant may participate in volunteer activities but only if organized by CIEE.

Withdrawal Before or During Program

Withdrawals prior to program start must be done by notification in writing to CIEE. Withdrawal will be effective upon date of receipt of the written notice to the CIEE Global Navigator Gap Year Abroad Department. For any possible refund of the Program Fees see Attachment A.

Voluntary return to Participant's home country before the end of the Program is possible only under exceptional circumstances and requires the written consent of CIEE. Returning to Participant's home country without permission from CIEE will result in the dismissal of Participant from the program. If a visa is required for entry to the Program host country and Participant withdraws from the Program before the Program end date, Participant may not use the visa to enter or remain in the Program host country. CIEE may report the withdrawal to the appropriate immigration officials.

If Participant chooses to withdraw from the Program and return home early, all costs associated with returning home (such as flight change fees or accommodation costs) will be Participant's responsibility.

Dismissal from Program

A violation of this Contract (including the Program Rules in Attachment B) may result in the immediate dismissal of Participant from the Program and an immediate return home.

In the event that CIEE staff or the host parents believe Participant violated any of the Program Rules and/or that unauthorized drugs or other contraband may be in Participant's room, a search thereof may be undertaken without advance notice. CIEE retains the right, without notifying either the parent/guardian or host parents, to inquire of and, in and as it deems appropriate, obtain written statements concerning actual or possible violations of any Program Rules.

If Participant is dismissed from the program, Participant must immediately at their expense, return home. Participant will pay all costs arising as a result of the premature termination. The cost of the flight for the early return to Participant's home will be the responsibility of Participant. If Participant does not arrange for travel home within 48 hours of dismissal, CIEE will arrange travel home for the Participant. If CIEE secures and pays for a flight home due to withdrawal or dismissal, Participant will reimburse CIEE within 30 days of receiving the bill.

If a visa is required for entry to the Program host country and Participant is dismissed from the Program before the Program end date, Participant may not use the visa to enter or remain in the Program host country. CIEE may report the dismissal to the appropriate immigration officials.

Participants who are dismissed from the program will not receive Certificates of Completion from CIEE.

Privacy

CIEE retains the right, in its sole discretion, to contact Participant's school, parent(s)/guardian(s), homestay parents, dormitory chaperones or medical practitioner(s) with regard to health issues or any other matter whatsoever which relates to the Program. These rights transcend any and all privacy regulations that may otherwise apply.

Photographs and Participant Work

CIEE reserves the right to take photographic or film records of the Participant while on the Program. Additionally, CIEE reserves the right to use and/or disseminate documents and materials created by the Participant while on the Program. This includes but is not limited to work submitted to instructors and CIEE Staff while in-country and materials sent by Participant to CIEE Staff before, during, or after the program. Furthermore, CIEE may use and/or disseminate any such photographs, film records,



documents, and materials for promotional and/or commercial purposes without compensation and without liability.

Program Expectations and Rules

Participant is expected to take an active role in the Program, including orientations, classes, seminars, cultural activities and all other events prescribed by CIEE and the Program. Participant understands that attendance in scheduled classes and volunteer internship projects is a mandatory component of the Program. Participant is expected to represent his/her home country, town and school as an “ambassador” and thus make a considerable contribution towards the understanding between his/her host country and his/her home country. Participation in all Program activities is a mandatory component of the Program. Unsatisfactory participation, poor attendance, lack of compliance with program rules, and/or poor attitude is cause for dismissal.

CIEE reserves the right to make changes in the Program’s itinerary as well as other changes, including, but not limited to, substitutions of or changes in excursions, activities, orientations, and topics listed currently on the CIEE Global Navigator Gap Year Abroad website, printed materials, and any other online content. CIEE is not liable for any and all such changes and expectations arising therefrom.

Participant will be placed with a host family, without regard to race, religion, or socio-economic status and if so, will live as a member of the family; will conform to the obligations, rules and customs of the family. A Host Family may be composed of a single person without children (but female participants will not be placed with a single male host family), single parent with children, a couple without children (or with adult children who no longer live at home), or a couple with children in the home. If necessary, Participant may share a room with a host sibling of the same gender or another exchange student of the same gender. Participant’s day-to-day activities will require the consent of the host parent(s). Participant must inform the host parent(s) where he/she is at all times Participant may travel with the host family on organized (and adult-supervised) trips.

CIEE requires that participants be flexible and patient with placements. Participants can choose to request a different placement while in the host country, however, placement changes are subject to a review on an individual basis. CIEE will not consider permitting host family changes unless the participant’s well-being is at risk. Participant understands that if he/she would like to request a change of host families, he/she must do so through the Local Coordinator. Each request for change of host family will be reviewed on a case by case basis. Host family changes are not made solely at Participant’s request.

Participant understands that CIEE may not permit natural parent(s)/guardian(s), relatives or friends to visit while he/she is participating in the Program. This includes national holidays, school vacation, bank holidays, etc. Relatives and friends may only visit upon conclusion of the Program. Participants may not leave the Program early or miss any days of the program to visit with natural parent(s)/guardian(s), relatives, or friends while the Program is still in session.

Participant is not allowed to miss any class or volunteer activities or mandatory CIEE events and will not be allowed to schedule travel during those times. Participant understands that, prior to commencement of any travel, he/she must inform CIEE Site Staff of any travel outside of the city hosting his/her

Program; CIEE Site Staff need to know where Participant is at all times. All travel must be approved by CIEE Site Staff and Staff may deny the right to travel. Participant acknowledges that he/she is solely responsible for any and all independent travel through the duration of the Program. Participant has read and will read then-current public updates (U.S. State Department, World Health Organization, Center for Disease Control, etc.) about the health and safety situation in the location to which he/she will travel. Participant understands that CIEE strongly discourages independent travel to destinations with a U.S. State Department Warning. Participant confirms he/she has discussed the travel plans with his/her natural parent(s)/guardian(s) and his/her host family. Participant understands that CIEE may be unable to intervene or assist on his/her behalf once he/she has left the Program site. In certain locations, Participant understands that CIEE may not be able to render any assistance whatsoever. Hitchhiking, driving any form of motorized vehicles, such as automobiles, motorbikes and/or motorcycles; or the purchase or possession of weapons is strictly prohibited.

The possession and/or use of marijuana or any controlled substance or drug (except as prescribed by a doctor for the Participant), is grounds for immediate dismissal from the program. The purchase or possession of weapons is also grounds for dismissal.

Participant may not engage in any sexual activity, misconduct, harassment, or indecent activity including but not limited to sexual intercourse, “sexting”, use or distribution of sexually explicit or exploitive photos, videos or materials, lewd exposure, obscene or indecent gestures, bullying, sexual harassment, use of any online dating apps, initiate any “life-changing” decisions, events or actions (including, but not limited to, changing religion, pregnancy, marriage, etc.), or altering their body in any way (including, but not limited to, tattoos, body piercing, etc.), even if the natural Parent(s)/Guardian(s) gave permission.

If Participant will be using a bicycle during the program, Participant will be asked to sign an additional Bike Safety Contract and Release prior to the start of the program. This contract will outline the rules and safety procedures for using a bike in a foreign country, including the requirement to always wear a helmet.

Participant must follow all rules, expectations, and terms within this Contract, The Program Rules and Expectations outlined in Attachment B and any other rules announced by CIEE Staff on site.

Participants Under 18 Years of Age

Participants who are less than 18 years old should be aware they may not be able to participate in certain activities fully and/or may be required to follow different rules and procedures due to local laws and CIEE rules. Participants who are under 18 may need to have their parent(s)/guardian(s) sign additional forms, releases, and/or waivers prior to traveling on a CIEE Global Navigator Gap Year Abroad Program.

Severability

If any portion of this Contract is held invalid, the remaining portions of the Contract will continue in full legal force and effect.

Forum and Methodology for Dispute Resolution

Participant agrees that any dispute or claim which refers or relates to this contract, any literature related to the Program, or the Program itself, shall be litigated solely and exclusively in and for courts in



Portland, Maine, subject to substantive and procedural Maine law, and for this limited purpose, the parties agree to exclusive venue and personal jurisdiction therein. At the Participant’s option, however, in lieu of litigation, CIEE will agree to binding arbitration in Portland, Maine, subject to substantive but not procedural Maine law, pursuant to the then existing commercial rules of the American Arbitration Association. In any such arbitration, the arbitrator and not any federal, state, or local court or agency shall have exclusive authority to resolve any dispute relating to the interpretation, applicability, enforceability, conscionability, or formation of this contract, including but not limited to any claim that all or any part of this contract is void or voidable.

Acknowledgment and Understanding

Participant and Parent(s)/Guardian(s) have carefully read the above provisions of the Contract and fully understand its terms. Participant and Parent(s)/Guardian(s) acknowledge freely and voluntarily signing this Contract.

This form must be signed by the Participant but if under age 18 at the time of signing, also by his/her Parent or Legal Guardian. If Participant is under the age of 18, Parent(s)/Guardian(s) expressly acknowledge that he/she is signing the Contract on behalf of the Participant and that the Participant will be bound by all of the terms of the Contract.

Print Participant Name: _____

Participant Signature: _____

Print Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____

Attachment A

Fees and Cancellation Policy

COST TYPE	WHEN DUE	AMOUNT
Application Fee	Due upon submittal of application	\$50
Acceptance Deposit	Due within 10 days of acceptance*	\$500
Program Fee Balance	Due 30 days before the start of the Program**	Amount varies for each Program
<p>*Failure to submit program fee deposit on time may result in delayed departure or cancellation **Failure to submit program fee balance within 30 days of the program start date may result in cancellation</p>		
<p style="text-align: center;">CANCELLATION AND REFUND POLICY</p> <p>\$50: non-refundable application deposit after submitting application \$500: non-refundable after acceptance to the program Half of the Program Fee (amount varies for each program): non-refundable within 30 days of departure Entire Program Fee (amount varies for each program): non-refundable within 15 days of departure (including if a participant withdraws or is dismissed) If a Program is cancelled by CIEE for any reason whatsoever (prior to Participant departure): CIEE will refund 100% of Program fees and deposit paid</p>		
<p style="text-align: center;">OTHER APPLICABLE FEES</p> <p>\$25.00: applied for a returned check</p>		
<p style="text-align: center;">APPLICATION DISCOUNTS</p> <p>\$400 off the program fee: for applicants who apply 6 weeks before the original deadline 10% of program fee: available for all applicants who are alumni of a CIEE program or whose families have hosted a CIEE USA High School student</p>		

Attachment B Program Rules

These Program Rules outline important terms, rules, and expectations that **MUST** be followed while on the Program. These program rules are designed for the Participant's safety and created with the Participant's best interests in mind. They are key factors to having a successful experience abroad. CIEE reserves the right to change or add to these Rules at any time.

Parents/Guardians and Participants, regardless of age, must review and commit to these Program Rules before submitting an application for the program. Breaking certain rules will result in immediate dismissal from the program.

1. You must be an active participant. Participating in all program activities, outings, and classes is mandatory. This includes regular attendance in scheduled classes and volunteer internship projects. If you are not an active participant, you may be dismissed from the program and sent home.
2. You must be respectful of CIEE Staff, instructors, administrators, and other supervising staff. If you are disrespectful or show a poor attitude towards any program staff, you may be dismissed from the program and sent home.
3. You should represent your home country, town, and school as an ambassador. Make an effort to contribute to the intercultural understanding between your home, the other participants and your host country.
4. You must respect your host family and follow its rules and expectations regarding curfew, chores, internet and phone use. You must tell them where you are going, who you will be with, and when you will be home. Activities, including inviting any friends to your host home, must be approved by your host family in advance. Guests may not be in your room at your host home, but can visit you in the common areas of the home with prior approval from your host family.
5. You must be back at your host family home by the set curfew time.
6. You are responsible for your own health and well-being. Bring and take all necessary medications, speak up if you need to see a doctor or go to a hospital. Inform CIEE Staff, your host family, or your local coordinator if you are not feeling well. You are responsible for taking all medications and treatments as prescribed by the physician (including dosage amounts and timing).
7. If you are taking prescription medication and do not bring enough to last you the entire program (or have a plan for obtaining more – remember, not all medications are available in

host countries and usually cannot be shipped), you may be dismissed from the program if CIEE Staff determines your health, wellbeing and safety are at risk.

8. You must follow the laws of your host country, even if they are different from the laws in your home country – if you break a law, you will be dismissed and could be subject to local criminal prosecution.
9. If you do any of the following, you will be dismissed from the program and sent home:
 - a. Using, purchasing, distributing, or possessing marijuana, illegal drugs, or any other controlled substance or drug (except as prescribed by a doctor for the Participant).
 - b. Engaging in any criminal conduct or breaking any laws of the host country
 - c. Using, purchasing or possessing of any weapons or use of any firearms
 - d. Hitchhiking
 - e. Driving any form of motorized vehicle – cars, motorbikes, motorcycles, mopeds, etc.
10. You are subject to all laws of the host country including those regarding the use of alcohol. Alcohol abuse by participants is a serious violation of the Program Rules and is grounds for immediate dismissal. Alcohol abuse or excessive use includes, but is not limited to, consumption of alcohol that causes a participant to miss class, be disruptive, or be unable to participate fully in a classroom, scheduled activity, or with the host family.
11. You should refrain from engaging in a romantic relationship with another participant for the first few weeks of the program. After the first few weeks, romantic relationships are still discouraged but allowed. If you are in a romantic relationship, please be considerate and conscious of other participants. You are discouraged from engaging in any romantic relationships with someone from outside of your CIEE group.
12. You may not engage in any sexual activity, misconduct, harassment, or indecent activity including but not limited to sexual intercourse, “sexting” (transmission of material that is sexual in nature by phone, email, SMS, or social media), use or distribution of sexually explicit or exploitive photos, videos or materials, lewd exposure, obscene or indecent gestures, bullying, sexual harassment, use of any online dating apps, etc.
13. You may not make any “life-changing” decisions, events, or actions including but not limited to changing religion, pregnancy and marriage. You may not alter your body in any way including but not limited to tattoos or body piercing.
14. You are not allowed to miss class, volunteer activities, or mandatory CIEE events to travel independently. If you choose to travel independently, you must inform CIEE Site Staff of any travel outside of the host city; CIEE Site Staff need to know where you are at all times. All travel must be approved by CIEE Site Staff. You must also read current public updates (U.S. State Department, World Health Organization, Center for Disease Control, etc.) about the health and safety situation in the location to which you will travel. You understand that CIEE strongly discourages independent travel to destination with a U.S. State Department Warning. You must also confirm that you have discussed the travel plans with your natural parent(s)/guardian(s) and your host family. You understand that CIEE may be unable to intervene or assist on your

behalf once you have left the Program site. In certain locations, you understand that CIEE may not be able to render any assistance whatsoever.

15. You should not engage in any loud and/or abusive behavior towards others; bullying or have unwillingness to cooperate with CIEE, your host family and the other participants on the Program. It is unacceptable to engage in behavior that may be damaging to other participants, yourself, other people around you, your host family, CIEE, or any other person/organization with which you have contact.
16. You must participate in and complete the online Orientation Course. (The course will begin a few months prior to the start of your program. You can complete the course at your own pace. It must be completed in full by the required deadline.)
17. You may not engage in any kind of paid employment or obtain a job.
18. You must have access to money in the event of an emergency (\$250/month). If you plan on making any purchases not included in the Program Fee, you must have your own spending money. You may not ask to borrow money from your host family or CIEE.
19. Your personal property is not the responsibility of CIEE or your host family. Any lost or stolen personal property (including money) is your responsibility.
20. You can only bring one checked bag on the plane and must follow all airline restrictions and rules. You are also responsible for any additional fees (including overweight baggage) incurred during travel.
21. If your program issued a local phone or SIM card (for use in your personal smartphone) for use during the program, you must carry this phone with you at all times. The phone must be charged and turned on at all times, including when you are at your Host Family's home. This is how CIEE will contact you in the event of an emergency. If CIEE issued you a phone, that phone is the property of CIEE and must be returned at the end of the program prior to departure. If you lose or damage a phone provided to you by CIEE, you are responsible for the cost to repair or replace it.
22. Your natural parents, relatives, or friends may not visit you while you are on your program. You may not leave the program or miss program classes, seminars, activities, etc. at any time to visit with your natural parents, relatives, or friends.
23. If you arrive in the program country prior to program start date or stay in the program country after the program departure date, CIEE is not responsible for you outside of the program dates. You may not stay in CIEE housing or receive any CIEE support outside of the specified program dates. You and your parent(s)/guardian(s) will be required to sign a Program Release Form if you are in the program city or country prior to the program start or stay after the program end.
24. If you break a program rule, you will be subject to CIEE's disciplinary procedure. CIEE has a three-strike process: 1) warning, 2) probation, 3) dismissal. There are a few rules listed above



that may skip steps 1 & 2 and result in immediate dismissal. Further details on the disciplinary process will be provided in your online orientation course in Canvas as well as your in-person orientation once in your host country.

Participant Signature: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____