

This agreement and release is part of your application process. We recommend keeping a photocopy for your records.

DBS Study Abroad Program Agreement and Release

This will comprise the agreement between the DBS Study Abroad Program and its applicants. This agreement is a legally binding contract.

1. I unconditionally release DBS, its affiliates, officers, directors, employees and agents from any claims for damage, injury, loss or expense of any nature resulting from events beyond its control, including without limitation acts of God, war strikes, crime, terrorism, sickness or government restrictions and regulations. I further release them from any losses arising from the use of any vehicle or from the selection of, or from any act or omission by any host family, bus or car rental agency, steamship, airline, railroad, taxi or tour service, hotel service, hotel restaurant, school, university or other firm, agency, company or individual, unless the loss is caused by gross negligence of DBS.
2. I agree that if I become ill or incapacitated, DBS may take such actions as it considers necessary under the circumstances, including securing medical treatment for me and transporting me to the United States. I release DBS from any liability relating to this medical care. I also authorize DBS to take whatever action it deems to be necessary and in my best interest (including transporting me out of the host country or back to the United States, at my own, or my parents or legal guardian's expense) in the event of political unrest or any other unforeseen event or condition. If the DBS Study Abroad Program incurs any expense on my behalf that is not covered by insurance, I (and my parents or legal guardians) agree to make immediate repayment upon my return.
3. I will comply with The DBS Study Abroad Program's rules, standards and instructions, and understand that failure to do so may result in being sent home at my (or my parents or legal guardians) expense, with no refund. I understand that my participation may be terminated if I am expelled from DBS or otherwise disciplined by civil authorities, or if DBS, in its sole discretion, determines that my conduct is incompatible with the interests, harmony, comfort or welfare of other students. I (and my parents or legal guardians) agree to indemnify DBS if I do anything that causes DBS to sustain financial loss or liability.
4. I understand that the DBS Study Abroad Program fee does not include health insurance and that the DBS Study Abroad Program strongly recommends that I purchase coverage for the duration of my trip or ensure that my coverage is applicable overseas. I release the DBS Study Abroad Program from any liability relating to my medical or emergency care.
5. I release all photos taken during the DBS Study Abroad Program to be used by DBS and its study abroad affiliates exclusively for promotional study abroad materials. I understand that future DBS Study Abroad Program material may

- include statements made by participants or their photographs, and I consent to such use of my comments or photographs of me.
6. I understand that the DBS Study Abroad Program reserves the right to make changes, cancellations or substitutions in cases of emergency or changed conditions or based upon the interest of the group. I understand that, if I leave the program, there will be no refund of tuition fees.
 7. I understand that it is my sole responsibility to obtain a valid passport and any other required travel documents.
 8. I understand that my traveling companions will be fellow students who may be younger than me. I also understand that I may be staying at student residences rather than hotels. I understand that the DBS Study Abroad Program is unable to guarantee single rooms or rooms with private baths or showers.
 9. I understand and accept that it is my responsibility to obtain all visas and required documents in order to enter all the countries on my itinerary and participate in the DBS Study Abroad Program. Further, I understand that the inability to obtain these visas and other documents does not constitute grounds for withdrawal with refund.
 10. It is my responsibility to contact my home institution regarding policies on program participation, including but not limited to eligibility of transfer credit procedures and procedures related to financial aid.
 11. This agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of New York.
 12. This agreement cannot be modified except in writing by The DBS Study Abroad Program.
 13. I the undersigned, an applicant for the DBS Study Abroad Program, acknowledge that I have read and accept the terms and conditions that are incorporated in this agreement. This agreement is a legally binding contract.