INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL ASSUMPTION OF THE RISK AGREEMENT
LIBERTY UNIVERSITY

I desire to participate in an international trip organized by ____________________ of Liberty University (the “Trip”). In order to participate in the Trip, I agree to the terms below and assume all risks associated with my participation in the Trip, including those specifically identified below.

General Risks:
THIS TRIP HAS CERTAIN INHERENT RISKS WHICH MAY AFFECT ME, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, PROPERTY DAMAGE OR LOSS, TEMPORARY OR PERMANENT BODILY INJURY, SICKNESS, DISEASE, AND EVEN DEATH. Specific risks that may be involved with the Trip include, but are not limited to: unfamiliarity with the territory, difficulty adjusting to environmental changes, language barriers, being separated from the group, unwanted contact with others, physical harm caused by other people involved with the Trip or other people at the location of the Trip, harassment (including sexual harassment), embarrassment, and emotional distress. I understand that the dangers and risks of participation in the Trip may impair my future ability to earn a living, to engage in business, social and recreational activities, and to generally enjoy life.

Risks Associated with Travel:
This Trip involves traveling. Traveling has inherent risks. Specific risks involved with traveling include: getting lost or separated from the Trip group or supervisors, contraction of communicable diseases, accidents, collision with other vehicles, whiplash, fires, explosions, defects in the vehicle or its equipment, blown out tires, derailments, overturning, breakdowns, running out of fuel, delays and being stranded, hazardous weather conditions, natural disasters, political unrest, kidnapping, criminal activity, terrorist activity, and conditions of locations not under the control of Liberty University.

a. *Additional Risks Involving Air Travel:* Traveling by aircraft has inherent risks. Including the risks identified above, traveling by aircraft has specific risks, including, but not limited to: collision with other aircraft, aircraft contact or collision with objects such as trees, buildings, towers, poles, wires and animals, defects in the aircraft or its equipment, hard or rough landings, turbulence, environmental conditions (including weather), slipping and falling while boarding, aboard the aircraft or on the ground, flight preparation errors or omissions by the pilot or crew, and illness, malady or other medical conditions resulting from or worsened by air travel.

b. *Additional Risks Involving International Travel:* Traveling internationally has inherent risks. Including the risks identified above, traveling internationally has specific risks, including, but not limited to: lack of access to suitable healthcare, food or beverage contamination, public health problems, contraction of untreatable diseases, unsafe local transportation and lack of facilities meeting United States disability access standards.

Risks Associated with Activities:
This Trip involves activities that may be hazardous. These activities may include, but are not limited to, hiking, rafting, manual labor, skiing, snowboarding, and other recreational activities (“Activities”). Such Activities have certain and inherent risks which cannot be eliminated regardless of the care taken to avoid these risks. Specific risk that may be involved with these Activities include, but are not limited to: unwanted contact with others, negligence of others, changing environmental conditions (including dangerous and changing weather conditions), variations in terrain, slipping, tripping, falling, unhealthy sun exposure, drowning, animal and insect bites, physical exertion, difficulty walking in ski or snowboarding boots, loss of control, collisions with stationary objects like trees, equipment/tool failures, and my individual susceptibility to harm or injury (whether known or unknown to me).

Participants with Disabilities:
*Liberty University makes reasonable accommodations for students with disabilities who are otherwise qualified to participate in its activities and Trips. However, the “Americans with Disabilities Act” does not govern accessibility standards in other countries. Liberty University does not discriminate on the basis of disability for participation in international trips, but is not responsible for assuring accessibility in international locations and cannot guarantee that accommodations will be available. In order to address this concern, Liberty University policy requires students with special needs who have been accepted into the Trip and who require accommodation to self-identify their need for such an accommodation. The Director of Disability Services will speak with the student, sponsoring faculty and Trip representative to determine whether and to what extent the student's needs can be accommodated. The self-identified student may also provide documentation of disability-related expenses for the Trip period to the Financial Aid Office, which may, upon review, increase financial aid eligibility.*
Third Party Actions; Personal Travel and Activities:
I acknowledge and agree that Liberty University has not assumed the duty to act as a common carrier and is not responsible for the actions of any other persons, companies, or other entities that provide transportation, housing, food, medical care, or any other services to me during this Trip. I also acknowledge that if I do any personal travel or participate in personal activities outside of the Trip travel and Trip Activities, I do so at my own risk and at my own discretion.

Medical Fitness & Treatment Acknowledgement:
I agree that I am in sufficiently good health to participate in this Trip and that I am free from any medical condition, physical or mental, that could interfere with my ability to participate in Trip Activities or that could be worsened by participating in those activities or that could endanger my health or safety or the health or safety of other participants. If I require emergency medical treatment as a result of accident or illness arising during the Trip, I consent to such treatment. I further give Liberty University and/or its representative on the Trip authority to request medical and/or hospital treatment for my benefit in the event of any injury or sickness sustained by me while participating in this Trip. I understand that Liberty University will purchase basic travel medical insurance for me, and that this insurance will cover some of the risks outlined above, but may not cover all of them, for the duration of the Trip plus ten additional days beyond the Trip. I acknowledge that the coverage documents are available to me upon request, and that I am able to obtain any additional or supplemental insurance if I desire.

Governing Law; Forum Selection:
This agreement will be governed by Virginia law. Any legal action arising out of or relating to this agreement must be brought in a court sitting in Lynchburg, VA.

Indemnification:
I agree to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless Liberty University and its entities’ officers and employees from any liability for injuries and property damage caused in any way by me while on the Trip.

Photography Consent:
I hereby grant Liberty University consent to use any photograph/likeness or video of me from the Trip for marketing purposes.

PARTICIPANT CONSENT (required of all participants, regardless of age)

BY SIGNING BELOW, I AGREE I HAVE CAREFULLY READ AND UNDERSTAND THIS AGREEMENT, I AGREE TO ALL OF THE TERMS ABOVE, AND I HEREBY ASSUME THE RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH THIS TRIP.

Signature of Participant: ___________________________ Date: ________________
Name of Participant: ___________________________ Age: ________ Date of Birth: ________________

PARENT/GUARDIAN CONSENT (required if the participant is less than 18 years of age)

I agree I have carefully read and understand this agreement, I agree to all of the terms above, both personally and on behalf of the minor participant, and I hereby assume the risk that the minor participant may be injured while participating in the Trip. I further promise to take reasonable steps to ensure the minor’s compliance with the terms of this agreement.

Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian: ___________________________ Date: ________________
Name of Parent/Legal Guardian (Print): ___________________________