**Participation Pledge for Study Abroad Program**

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I have read, reviewed, and agreed to comply with the requirements outlined in this document upon applying for and participating in the Chiba University study abroad program. I will not make any objection if my participation is canceled or my right to receive support from the University is deprived, in the event of violating the pledge.

**(Consent of a parent or a guardian)**

1. A participating student (“Student”) must read, review and agree on the guidelines of this study abroad program (“Program”) of Chiba University (“the University”), and obtain a permission from a parent or a guardian before applying for the Program.

**(Condition for participation)**

1. Applicants might be required to pass the application document screening, interviews, or both to participate in the Program.
2. The Program might be canceled when the total number of applicants does not satisfy the required number of students.
3. A change of itinerary, including leaving the Program temporarily or early due to a personal reason, is not allowed in principle.
4. A Student is responsible for completing essential procedures such as having a passport issued, acquiring a visa, remitting required payments, and subscribing to travel insurance by the designated dates. Failure to do so might result in the suspension of participation.
5. A Student is required to inform a teacher/staff in charge of the Program when being absent from, late for, or leaving early from pre-departure/post-program lectures and activities with proper reasons. Failure to do so might result in the suspension of participation, scholarship, or both.
6. A Student is expected to fully understand the objective of the Program and to take part in study sessions and cultural exchanges proactively throughout the Program. A Student might be requested to leave the Program and return to Japan when found not satisfying the participation standard of the Program. A Student acknowledges that they are responsible for any additional costs incurred in such case.

**(Fees)**

1. A Student is requested to be well aware of fees required to participate in the Program, prepare the entire amount prior to the departure, and remit the necessary payment by the designated date. A Student shall also agree that they are responsible for expenses described in other documents or on websites including application guidelines or some such.
2. A Student shall acknowledge that withdrawing from the Program is allowed only with proper reasons and that cancellation fees for the Program, plane tickets, or both might apply even when a withdrawal is granted.
3. A Student is responsible to pay for any required documents (such as a health certificate or a vaccination certificate) or procedures (such as taking antigen tests or self-isolation) when required to depart from/enter Japan and the country/area where the Program takes place.
4. Regarding fees, a Student shall also acknowledge conditions noted in item 7, 12, 13, and 16.

**(Safety and wellness)**

1. When it is considered to be difficult to secure the safety in the county, area, or both where the Program takes place, considering the Overseas Travel Safety Information issued by the Japanese Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the University will request all participating students to postpone or cancel the trip. In principle, the University shall bear cancellation fees and other extra costs resulting from the postponement or the cancellation of the Program. A Student shall recognize that a Student will bear the cancellation fee and other extra costs arising from the postponement or the cancellation other than the aforementioned reasons.
2. A Student is responsible for maintaining good health during the Program. If a Student is infected or is suspected of being infected with such contagious diseases specified in the Article 18 of School Health and Safety Act as influenza or measles, a Student might be suspended from participating in the Program but still be responsible for cancellation fees. A Student is requested to inform the University by submitting My Health Record of any illness or injury which requires observation, medication, or both even when a Student is permitted participation.
3. A Student is responsible for any illness or injury for the period from the day of departure until coming back to Japan. A Student is requested to carry My Health Record at all times during the Program.
4. A Student is required to subscribe to travel insurance specified by the Program which covers the whole period of the Program from the day of departure to return. If an accepting university or institution requires a Student to subscribe to its own insurance, a Student is also requested to subscribe to it in addition to the insurance specified by the Program.
5. A Student is required to subscribe to insurance specified by the Program which covers the cancellation fee incurred due to travel cancellation, etc. On condition that the cancellation insurance does not cover the cancellation fee or any other cost caused by the postponement or cancellation of the Program, those costs shall be incurred by the University based on the descriptions stated in item 12, provided that the University decides the postponement or cancellation of the program.
6. A Student is requested to follow instructions of the University and an accepting university or institution, observe laws and rules of the country and the accepting university or institution, and take responsibility for behaviors throughout the Program as a student of the University. In particular, a Student must strictly adhere to the legal drinking and smoking age. If a Student is under the age of 20, they shall not drink alcoholic beverage or smoke regardless of the law of the country. A Student shall never obtain or use any drugs prohibited by the law of the country of stay or under the law of Japan (including drugs legal in the country of stay but illegal in Japan).
7. A Student should avoid driving vehicles such as automobiles and motorcycles as much as possible. If a Student drives vehicles unavoidably, they should understand that automobiles/motorcycle accidents are not covered by overseas travel insurance. A Student must take out valid automobile insurance in the country of stay. Even when using a light vehicles allowed on sidewalks, a Student must observe traffic rules and respond to an emergency situation on their own responsibility.
8. The University and an accepting university or institution do not take any responsibility or liability for any damage or loss caused by a disaster, riot, terrorism, accident, disease, crime, or such during the Program.
9. A Student is fully responsible for any personal or property damage, and any loss resulted from accidents or disease caused by willful misconduct, negligence, violation of law and regulations, or transgression of public order and good morals during the Program.
10. A Student is responsible for personal belongings during the Program.

**(Use of personal information)**

1. A Student shall acknowledge that personal information of a Student submitted upon application (such as name, gender, date of birth, passport details, contacts, name and contacts of a parent or a guardian) is to be shared with an accepting university or institution, a travel agency, airline companies, the designated insurance company and emergency assistance company, teachers and staff of the University to conduct the Program. The information will be kept a bare minimum when shared with those parties with the utmost care and attention.
2. A Student shall acknowledge that the University is to receive information such as academic records, health, and attitude toward the Program of a Student from an accepting university or institution to conduct the Program smoothly and to ensure the safety of a Student.
3. A Student shall acknowledge that group and individual pictures taken during the Program (including ones taken by an accepting university or institution) and information on how students are participating in the Program will be used for the purpose of conducting and promoting the Program without asking permission to a Student each time unless otherwise requested by a Student.
4. A Student is expected to cooperate with the University in promoting the Program scheduled in the following year by sharing the experience and picture in promotion events, in writing, or both.

Date (Day, Month, Year):

Name of a Student: Signature:

Faculty/School: Student ID: Year:

**I, a parent or a guardian of a Student, agree with all requirements outlined in this document and guarantee a Student will comply with the pledge.**

Date : Name of a parent/guardian

Relationship to a Student: Signature:

Emergency contacts: (Tel) (Email)