

Addendum to the Acknowledgment and Assumption of Risks and Release Agreement <u>For Students Participating in a Middlebury/MIIS-sponsored Program in a Country with a State</u> <u>Department Travel Advisory Level 3 or 4</u>

This is a release of legal rights; review carefully and understand before signing. Please keep a copy for your records.

Name of Student:		
Program:		
Country:	Term/Year Abroad:	

The U.S. Department of State has a travel advisory system in place to provide tiered levels of advice to travelers. These levels range from Level 1 to Level 4. All Middlebury/MIIS students, of whatever nationality, who intend to participate in a program or activity for which there exists, prior to their departure, a State Department Travel Advisory Level 3 or 4 are required to complete this form to ensure that they are aware of the advisory and its recommendations, and of their personal responsibility for the risks. Approval of participation in the program will not be granted unless this form is signed by the student. This is a release of legal rights. Review this document carefully and make sure you understand it before signing. Please keep a copy for your records.

In consideration of and as a condition for Middlebury College's approving myparticipation in Middlebury/MIIS-sponsored (funded, credited, supported, represented) program ("the Program"), I hereby agree to the following:

- 1. I have executed the "Acknowledgment and Assumption of Risks and Release Agreement," which is hereby incorporated by reference into this Addendum.
- 2. I have read and understand the <u>U.S. Department of State Travel Advisory</u> Level 3 or 4 concerning travel by US citizens to the country where the Program is located, including the <u>COVID-19</u> <u>country specific information</u>. I acknowledge that I have voluntarily made the decision to participate in the Program despite the advisory and information provided by the State Department. I further acknowledge that I have been advised to continue to review and monitor the U.S. Department of State's website for any additional warnings, advisories, updates and information regarding the country where the Program is located.
- 3. I further understand and acknowledge that travel to a country with a Travel Advisory Level 30r 4 at this time exposes me to risks of a greater likelihood and magnitude than those normally associated with international travel. These risks include those described within theState Department Advisory, as well as the risks set forth in the "Acknowledgment and Assumption of Risks and Release Agreement." I recognize that Middlebury College cannot guarantee my safety or security and I assume full responsibility for all risks associated with my travel.

- 4. I understand that Middlebury reserves the right to rescind approval of my plans should the situation in the country or region change prior to my departure.
- 5. I hereby acknowledge that I have shared the information provided by the U.S. Department of State and in this Addendum with my parents/guardians/spouse and they are aware of both the Travel Advisory Level 3 or 4 and this Addendum.

Having examined and understood the above, I (for myself and my heirs, executors, administrators and assigns) hereby agree to assume all risks relating to traveling to a country with a Travel Advisory Level 3 or 4 and release, discharge, and waive any and all rights or claims for injuries or losses of anydescription arising in connection with any aspect of the Program, including but not limited to claims for damage to or loss of property, consequential damages, violation of civil rights, personal illness or injury, or death, that I may have or which may hereafter accrue to me against Middlebury College, its employees or agents, and/or any sponsoring institutions. I understand that by signing this Addendum I am waiving any right I (or anyone else on my behalf) might otherwise have to sue Middlebury College for injuries or losses arising from my participation in the Program, including claims for negligence on the part of Middlebury College, its agents or employees to the fullest extent allowed by law.

I understand and agree that if any portion of this Addendum is deemed unenforceable, all other provisions will remain in full force and effect.

I understand and agree that no oral representations or statements by the College or its representatives will effectively alter the acknowledgments, agreements and representations stated above.

I HAVE CAREFULLY REVIEWED THIS ADDENDUM TO THE "ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND ASSUMPTION OF RISKS AND RELEASE AGREEMENT" AND I HEREBY CONFIRM MY UNDERSTANDING OF ITS CONTENTS AND AFFIRM MY AGREEMENT TO BE BOUND BY ITS TERMS AS A CONDITION OF MY PARTICIPATION IN THE PROGRAM. I AFFIRM THAT I AM 18 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER.

Student Signature: _____

Date: _____

Please return to the Middlebury/MIIS Department sponsoring your program