RELEASE, INDEMNITY, AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK

I understand and agree that the GRS599 GA trip to Dublin, Ireland, coordinated by Siena Heights University of which I am a student, involves certain risks and that regardless of the precautions taken by the organization, some bodily injuries may occur. Specific risks/hazards involved in the activity include but are not limited to the following:

1. Risks inherent of long distance travel such as driving and/or riding in a 15 passenger van, with a high rollover rate even when properly occupied as determined by the National Highway Traffic Safety Organization, or a personally owned four door sedan motorized vehicle. For more information go to: [http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov/cars/problems/studies/15PassVans/](http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov/cars/problems/studies/15PassVans/)
2. Risks associated with long distance charter bus travel.
3. Risks inherent of driving and/or riding in a motorized vehicle.
4. Risks inherent of long distance international airline travel such as airport, airplane, customs, passport control, baggage, and other travel associated activities.
5. Risks inherent of international travel to the Ireland as outlined in the U.S. Department of State country specific information about the Ireland at [http://travel.state.gov/travel/cis_pa_tw/cis/cis_1145.html#](http://travel.state.gov/travel/cis_pa_tw/cis/cis_1145.html#) and [http://www.state.gov/r/pa/ei/bgn/3180.htm](http://www.state.gov/r/pa/ei/bgn/3180.htm) and [https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/geos/ei.html](https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/geos/ei.html) such as pickpocketing; muggings; “snatch and grab” thefts of mobile phones, watches and jewelry; and thefts of unattended bags, especially at airports and from cars parked at restaurants, hotels, and resorts. Crimes involving credit and debit cards and automated teller machines (ATMs) are also a concern. Travelers should protect their PIN numbers at all times and avoid using ATM machines that appear to have been tampered with.
7. Risks associated with walking around and in a variety of buildings/grounds in during both day and night conditions.
8. Risks inherent of walking long distances over uneven outdoor and indoor terrain.
9. Risks inherent of utilizing a mass transit system including subway, buses, and taxi services.
10. Risks inherent of walking in and around crowds of people in a variety of weather, lighting conditions, etc.
11. Risks associated with the behavior of crowds and drivers of motorized vehicles.
12. Risks associated with swimming in the ocean or at a beach.
13. Risks inherent of eating in a restaurant or fast food establishment.
14. Risks inherent of staying at overnight accommodations.

The likelihood of such injuries may be lessened by adhering to the following rules or procedures:

1. Wear seatbelts while riding in motorized vehicles.
4. Obtain appropriate vaccinations for travel to the Ireland as outlined by the Center for Disease Control.
5. Use insect repellent containing DEET or Picaridin on exposed skin. DEET concentrations of 30% to 50% are effective for several hours. Picaridin, available in 7% and 15% concentrations, must be applied more frequently. When using sunscreen, apply it before insect repellent.
6. Utilize protective measures to guard against heat related injuries such as staying hydrated, etc.
7. Confirm your medical insurance policy applies overseas to ensure it will cover emergency expenses such as medical evacuation.
8. For preexisting medical problems, carry a letter from the attending physician, describing the medical condition and any prescription medications, including the generic names of prescribed
drugs. Any medications being carried overseas should be left in their original containers and be clearly labeled. Travelers should check with the foreign embassy of the country they are visiting to make sure any required medications are not considered to be illegal narcotics.

9. Carry as little U.S. currency as possible and avoid wearing expensive or flashy watches and jewelry.

10. Adhere to the laws and customs of the Ireland

11. Review the Ireland Trip Information Sheet provided by the instructor

12. Place Executive Assistance® sticker in passport and Executive Assistance card in safe location.

13. Complete the U.S. Department of State Travel Registration at https://travelregistration.state.gov/ibrs/ui/

14. Utilize a pouch or money belt worn under clothing

15. Wear appropriate protective clothing and foot wear for indoor and outdoor activities including extensive walking in a variety of weather conditions.

16. Report any pre-existing medical conditions which may increase likelihood of injury to the group leader.

17. Report any food related allergies and/or known reactions to foods and food products to the group leader.

18. Follow directives of the group leader and staff at location.

19. Report any hazardous situations to the group leader and staff at location immediately.

20. Stay with assigned groups.

I am signing this statement so that I can participate in the Activity described above. This Release, Indemnity and Assumption of Risk Statement covers all events and occurrences associated with the Activity, including my participation and observation, including associated food, lodging, or transportation.

If I have any concerns about my health or ability to participate, I agree to discuss my concerns with my physician before deciding to participate.

In addition, I understand and agree that Siena Heights University cannot be expected to control all of the risks associated with this type of event, but may need to respond to accidents and potential emergencies.

Therefore, I hereby give my consent to the provision of emergency medical treatment to the extent that the treatment is necessary in the medical opinion of the doctor rendering the treatment.

I agree to assume the risk that unexpected events may occur and result in harm, injury, death, or illness to me, or damage to or loss of my property while I am participating in or observing the Activity. I agree to indemnify Siena Heights University and not to sue the Graduate College, GRS599 Instructors, or SHU for any harm or damage associated with my participation or observation if the harm or damage is not due to the negligence or fault of SHU. I understand that my participation is voluntary.

I have read the agreement and willingly signed for the consideration expressed and with a full understanding of its purpose. Participant represents that he/she is eighteen (18) years of age or older and is otherwise competent to execute this agreement, or that his/her legal guardian is also signing.

In this agreement, SHU means Siena Heights University and their employees and agents, and the Siena Heights University Board of Regents.
Date: ________________

Print Name of Participant _________________________________________

Signature of Participant ____________________________________________

Student ID Number of Participant_____________________________

In case of Emergency
Contact: _____________________________________________________________

At the following number(s)
If the Emergency Contact Person I have listed is not available, please contact:

Doctor: Phone:

For preexisting Medical Conditions:
Describe the medical condition and any prescription medications, including the generic names of prescribed drugs in the area below.

Please list any special services you may require due to an existing medical condition or physical disabilities

Return form with a valid copy of your Passport, Medical Insurance Card which provides overseas medical coverage, and proof of vaccinations.