Southeast Asia Youth Leadership Program

ASSUMPTION OF RISK

Signatures required on page 2

Participant’s Name __________________________________________________________

Parent /Guardian’s Name ____________________________________________________

Program Title  Southeast Asia Youth Leadership Program

I, the undersigned, do hereby present my request to participate in the Southeast Asian Youth Leadership Program through Northern Illinois University. The program has been generally explained to me, and I request that I be permitted to participate in the aforementioned program and the activities and programs connected therewith. The following personal consents; assumption of risk; inducements and undertakings are provided as a part of the consideration for the University to grant my request to participate in the program.

I hereby consent to receiving such medical and surgical procedures as may become necessary for my well-being, should the need arise, and I understand that any costs thereof will be borne by me if not covered by the medical insurance plan provided by the United States Department of State.

Recognizing that participation in the program is voluntary and that there are certain inherent risks that I must assume, I agree and understand that Northern Illinois University, its Board of Trustees, their agents, officers, employees and any other educational institution associated in this program assume no institutional or personal liability for damage or loss of property, personal illness or injury, or death while I am a participant in this program, or for any financial or other obligations incurred by me in either the United States or elsewhere. I fully understand there are many forms of risk associated with this program, both foreseeable as well the unforeseen, and I voluntarily assume all such risks.

I understand that living in a foreign country may involve health and other personal risks. I agree to complete honestly, accurately, and fully all required pre-departure confidential health forms, and to exercise reasonable or recommended precautions while abroad with respect to food, drink, personal hygiene, personal conduct, and exposure to known disease risk. I understand and agree that it is my responsibility to determine, in consultation with competent medical authorities, whether or not I should participate in the program. I agree to conform to applicable United States and University health regulations and/or medical examination requirements for visa application.

Participants in the Southeast Asian Youth Leadership Program are not allowed to operate motor vehicles while taking part in the program.

As part of my consent and in consideration of my participation, I agree and understand that I will be subject to the supervision and authority of Northern Illinois University, its appropriate agents, officers, and employees, and they and each of them will have the prerogative and the decision respecting my continued participation in the program if my conduct may warrant my withdrawal. I understand that participants are expected to attend all sessions, field trips, and the study tour unless otherwise indicated by illness or unavoidable circumstances. Likewise, as a guide for continued participation, I understand participants are expected to display a sense of maturity and responsibility as representatives of their countries to the University and the United States. I acknowledge and agree that if I am required to withdraw from the program for failure to maintain
appropriate standards of study or behavior, I will no longer have access to any of the facilities arranged for participants in the program.

I understand that the international implications of this Agreement are such that my conduct during the course of the study abroad program is of utmost importance. I agree to conform to standards of conduct consistent with the maintenance of the reputation of the United States Department of State and Northern Illinois University. Misconduct refers to my actions, which in the judgment of the Program Director and/or other officials of the University, jeopardize my own welfare and safety or that of fellow participants and/or Program. Such actions include, but are not limited to, the following: the use of physical or verbal violence, violations of the laws of the United States or State of Illinois, openly abusing the customs and mores of the community, and unauthorized absences from classes and/or from the program. I understand that failure to conform to said standards of conduct may result in the termination of my participation in the program.

I agree that in the event the Director of the Southeast Asian Youth Leadership Program, in her exclusive discretion, shall determine that my conduct is detrimental to the best interests of the program, the Director may terminate my participation in the program, subject to the policies of the United States Department of State.

I agree to complete and return by the specified deadlines all documents and forms provided by the Center for Southeast Asian Studies prior to my departure and understand that failure to do so may result in the University refusal to allow my participation in the program.

Further, I agree to release, discharge, save, hold harmless, indemnify and defend the Board of Trustees of Northern Illinois University, Northern Illinois University, and their officers, employees and agents, from any and all past, present or future claims, demands, and/or causes of action, which may now, or in the future be asserted against any of the aforesaid by me, or by any third party or parties by reason of any accidents, injuries or actions by me while in transit to or returning from or while participating in the program unless due to their exclusive negligence.

It is understood and agreed if this consent and release is signed by a parent or guardian, he or she is signing on behalf of the participating student and he or she agrees to the terms hereof on the participating student's behalf.

Terms Accepted by:

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*If you are under 18 years old you must sign this form along with your parents. If you are over 18 you should sign this form yourself.*
CODE OF CONDUCT

Please review the following code of conduct. Ensure that you and your parents understand that you will be expected to follow all parts of the agreement while in the program. This rules are set to support program goals and prevent harm to yourself, other participants, and those you meet in the United States.

During the Southeast Asia Youth Leadership Program, I will:

- Remain mindful of my role as representative of my country, its government, the U.S. State Department, and Northern Illinois University (NIU).
- Make a strong effort to actively engage in all program activities and constructively work and interact with other participants.
- Respect the needs and feelings of others and show kindness to all with whom I come in contact.
- Treat all participants, staff, guests and others I meet with respect, regardless of race, creed, color, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, economic standing, or ability.
- Show respect for program staff, presenters, and guest lecturers through my attitude and behavior, including following directions and arriving promptly.
- Demonstrate a high-level of responsibility with my property and the property of others.
- Wear clothing that is appropriate to activities and shows respect for myself and others.
- Limit my use of electronic devices, including, but not limited to, cell phones, music players, and hand-held games to non-instructional time. I am aware that loss, damage, or theft of such items is not the responsibility of program staff, NIU, or NIU employees.

During the Southeast Asia Youth Leadership Program, I will not:

- Use physical violence, violent language, or threats, including but not limited to:
  - Fighting or using “Fighting words.”
  - Bullying or intimidation
  - Roughhousing or wrestling
  - Use of weapons or other objects as weapons
  - Physical or verbal threats
- Bring items which are unlawful or prohibited, including but not limited to:
  - Weapons of any kind.
  - Drugs (including alcohol, cigarettes, or narcotics)
  - Fireworks or explosives
- Use substances – including alcohol or cigarettes – or engage in inappropriate and/or dangerous use of instructional or household materials.
- Operate a motor vehicle or motorized vehicle at any time.
- Engage in behavior which is sexually inappropriate, threatening, or harassing. This can include, but is not limited to, sexual misconduct, and touching oneself or others in a sexual manner.
- Leave campus or hotel properties without staff knowledge or without an adult.
- Use profanity, but will maintain language and decorum appropriate for the classroom setting at all times.

Having read and understood the Code of Conduct above, I agree to follow these policies during the Southeast Asia Youth Leadership Program. I also understand that failure to comply with these policies will have consequences, which may include, but are not limited to, being prohibited from participating in some or all activities and being dismissed from the program.

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Participant’s Name

Participant’s Signature

Today’s Date

Parent/Guardian’s Name

Parent/Guardian’s Signature

Today’s Date
INDEMNIFICATION AND MEDICAL TREATMENT RELEASE

(For parents/guardians of students)

I, ____________________________ , the parent or guardian of ________________________ _________________________________(“my child”), hereby grant Northern Illinois University permission to enroll my child in the Southeast Asia Youth Leadership Program in Illinois and Washington, DC. I understand this program is scheduled to begin April 2 and end April 26, 2018. I hereby knowingly and voluntarily agree that my child and I, and our heirs and assigns, do and shall hold Northern Illinois University, its trustees, agents, servants, employees, directors, and officers, harmless from and for any and all claims, damages, and any and all other forms of liability arising from, or in connection with, my child’s travel to, attendance at, and return from the Southeast Asia Youth Leadership Program and all associated activities and events.

I hereby grant Northern Illinois University permission, in the event my child experiences a medical emergency during the Southeast Asia Youth Leadership Program, to seek and/or render medical assistance to my child.

ACCEPTED AND AGREED TO BY:

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Parent/Guardian’s Name

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Parent/Guardian’s Signature

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Today’s Date

Name/Relationship Emergency Contacts:

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MEDIA RELEASE FORM

Minor Participant Name and/or Likeness Release

I hereby consent to and authorize the use of my name or likeness in connection with my participation in the Southeast Asia Youth Leadership Program, sponsored by the United States Department of State and implemented by Northern Illinois University (NIU).

I understand and give my consent that this use may include, but is not limited to, any photographic, video or other recording of my words, likeness, images and/or written materials.

The State Department and NIU shall have the right to exhibit, reproduce, distribute, display or otherwise use my name and/or likeness in all media or technology now known or hereafter developed, and may assign such rights to third parties.

Please sign below to indicate your agreement to the foregoing.

ACCEPTED AND AGREED TO BY:

_________________________________________  ________________________________
Participant’s Name                          Parent/Guardian’s Name

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Participant’s Signature

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Parent/Guardian’s Signature

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Today’s Date                                  Today’s Date

Home Country: _______________________________

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