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Dear Colgate Parent:

Colgate University students have enriching experiences off-campus every year for study abroad, internships, research, athletics, and other activities. Colgate values all of these opportunities and wants to make sure that students are fully aware of their responsibilities and the potential risks of such travel.

Please review the Acknowledgement of Risk and Responsibility form students are required to read and sign prior to departure in order to understand the conditions that govern student off-campus experiences. In addition, although the entire document is important and should be read and understood thoroughly, please pay close attention to Section 1: "Acknowledgement and Assumption of Risk," Section 2: "Health and Safety; Medical Insurance," and Section 6: "Release." Parents do **not need to** complete the Acknowledgement of Risk and Responsibility form; we recommend that you **retain it for your records**.

The most recent available off-campus program cost estimate is available on our website: <u>http://www.colgate.edu/academics/off-campus-study/estimated-student-budgets</u>. For updated exchange rate information, the following website is helpful: <u>http://www.oanda.com/.</u>

All students participating in Colgate-directed international programs are enrolled in the Cultural Insurance Services International (CISI) Study Abroad Blanket Student Accident and Sickness Insurance policy. The cost of this insurance is included in the program fees for Colgate Study Groups and Extended Study programs. Information about this plan can be found at the CISI website: <u>https://www.culturalinsurance.com/students/</u>. Students on domestic programs should retain their regular health insurance and inquire about out of area policies and resources with their own carrier.

International program participants are enrolled in International SOS, a Global Assistance Program. Colgate University contracts International SOS (SOS) to provide worldwide assistance, security and safety information, and evacuation services for the Colgate community abroad. <u>https://www.internationalsos.com/.</u> You may access the Colgate ISOS portal by logging on using the Colgate member number that will be shared with your student at a pre-departure meeting.

Although ISOS offers our students and the Colgate community medical advice and services in addition to security and safety assistance, ISOS is not health insurance. Students with medical concerns should work through CISI for referrals and medical assistance.

We hope you and your student are excited about the adventure that awaits! We encourage you to check out of Parents' FAQ page on our website at <u>http://www.colgate.edu/academics/off-campus-study/parent-faq</u>. If you have any further questions or concerns, we can be reached at (315) 228-7216 or <u>off-campusstudy@colgate.edu</u>.

Sincerely,

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