

Utah Valley University
Travel to Countries with U.S. State Department Travel Warnings and/or
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Travel Notice Level Three:
Avoid Nonessential Travel
High Risk Travel Waiver/Release

I, _____, have decided to travel to _____
("Participant") (country/region)

which is/are currently under a U.S. State Department Travel Warning and/or a Center for Disease Control and Prevention Travel Notice Level Three ("Restricted Destination(s)"), as travel to and/or through such Restricted Destination(s) is considered to be high risk. Utah Valley University has an International Travel Policy (see UVU Policy #608) that strongly advises against and restricts travel to such Restricted Destination(s).

In connection with my trip to the above-referenced Restricted Destination(s), I acknowledge and understand the following:

- I am not required by the University to travel, and in fact have been cautioned by the University about the potential dangers of traveling to the Restricted Destination(s);
- I should carefully identify, review, and consider the risks of travel to the Restricted Destination(s);
- I know that, because conditions in the Restricted Destination(s) may change rapidly, I may be required to return to the United States before completing my professional or educational goals;
- The U.S. Embassy may temporarily close or suspend public services for security reasons;
- If there is a need to evacuate, in certain emergencies, flights may be suspended, and other departure options may be limited or non-existent;
- The risks and dangers of travel to, in, and around the Restricted Destination(s) include but are not limited to dangers to my own health and personal safety posed by terrorism, crime, civil unrest, violence, or disease;
- The specific risks include but are not limited to illness, minor or major physical injuries, and/or emotional and psychological injuries inflicted accidentally or intentionally by others, or catastrophic injuries, including paralysis and death;
- I understand it is my responsibility to review the health risks associated with my travel destination(s) through the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Travelers Health resource, available at <http://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/destinations/list.htm>, and to discuss required or recommended vaccinations with a health professional, if applicable.
- Should I experience difficulties, the U.S. State Department, the U.S. Embassy, the University, its faculty/staff, and HTH Worldwide may not be in a position to provide emergency assistance to me should I require it while in the Restricted Destination(s);
- Participation in this high risk travel has inherent risks that cannot be eliminated regardless of the care taken to avoid injuries; and
- There may be additional factors of which I am unaware or which have not been brought to my attention.

I acknowledge that I am voluntarily participating in the travel described above. I understand that Utah Valley University is not responsible for my safety, and I knowingly and voluntarily assume full responsibility for all risks associated with my travel. I know that I am not required or encouraged to travel and, in fact, Utah Valley University has urged me not to travel to the Restricted Destination(s).

Assumption of Risk and Release of Claims

Knowing the risks described above, and in consideration of my travel to the Restricted Destination(s), I agree, on behalf of myself, my family, heirs, and personal representative(s), to assume all the risks and responsibilities surrounding my travel to the Restricted Destination(s). To the maximum extent permitted by law, I release and indemnify Utah Valley University, and its trustees, officers, employees, and agents, from and against any present or future claim, loss, or liability for injury to person or property that I may suffer, or for which I may be liable to any other person, during my travel to the Restricted Destination(s) (including periods in transit to or from any Restricted Destination).

In signing this High Risk Travel Waiver/Release form, I acknowledge that I have had an opportunity to ask any questions I have about this document, that I have read and understand this document, that I accept this document terms, and that I have signed this document knowingly and voluntarily. No representations, statements, or inducements, oral or written, apart from the foregoing statement, have been made. This High Risk Travel Waiver/Release form shall be governed by the laws of the State of Utah, which shall be the forum for any lawsuits filed under or incident to this agreement or to my travel to the Restricted Destination(s).

TRAVEL PROGRAM PARTICIPANT

Name of traveler (print) _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Department, School, College or Program: _____

PARTICIPANT'S PARENT OR GUARDIAN IF UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE

The undersigned, the legal parent or guardian of the above-named Participant, who is under eighteen years of age, in consideration of participating in the above-named international travel, do hereby agree to this consent. I understand and agree to the terms and conditions contained in this Assumption of Risk and Release Form, and I assume responsibility for the actions or inactions of the Participant. I state that Participant is free from any medical or healthcare conditions that could prevent Participant from safely participating in any of the activities.

I expressly give consent, in the event of injury, for any emergency aid, anesthesia and/or operation, if in the opinion of the attending physician, such treatment is necessary.

I have carefully read and understand the contents of this Assumption of Risk and Release Form and the foregoing language and I specifically intend it to cover Participant in the above stated international travel at Utah Valley University.

Printed Name: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please submit the signed form to Veronica Caballero (veronica.caballero@uvu.edu). It can be done in person at LA 111q or via email.