



## Student Agreement

*As a condition of being permitted to participate in COMD Coogs in Belize, students agree to the following for the entire duration of the program:*

1. I understand that all of my actions during the program reflect upon the University of Houston and myself, and while abroad I'm expected to maintain high standards of academic and personal integrity and respect of others. I agree to conduct myself as a responsible member of the University of Houston community and that I'm subject to the University of Houston Student Code Of Conduct, the Communication Sciences and Disorders Code of Conduct, and the University of Houston Learning Abroad Student Conduct Abroad Agreement.
2. I understand that the University of Houston has processes and procedures that are applicable to all students who are alleged to have violated the above mentioned codes of conduct. I acknowledge that any violations of these codes may be basis for disciplinary action being taken which may include immediate dismissal from the program and requirement that I return home.
3. I agree that if I am dismissed from the program, I will be responsible for all expenses incurred following my dismissal including but not limited to expenses related to housing, other living expenses, and costs of returning home. I agree that if I am dismissed or if I voluntarily withdraw from the program for any reason that I will immediately vacate program housing. I agree that I will be responsible for making any interim housing arrangements that may be necessary and I will be responsible for making my own travel arrangements back home.
4. I understand that in order to remain in good standing with the program, I must meet all clinical and academic requirements. I will demonstrate a willingness to learn about differences in clinical service delivery and a willingness to learn about the cultures and customs of Belize. I will refrain from any conduct that disrespects the culture and customs of Belize. I agree to abide by the laws of Belize.
5. I understand that unless I'm given an excused absence (e.g. illness, emergency) for the day, that I'm expected to participate in all daily activities and contribute to the goals and success of the program. I agree to conduct myself so that my behavior will not negatively impact the experience or welfare of other students and faculty.
6. I agree that any deviation by me from the program agenda must be approved in advance by faculty and the vendor. If I fail to participate in any mandatory component of the program without prior approval, I will be required to explain in writing my non-participation to faculty. The written explanation has to be deemed "excused" by faculty. If

I fail to participate in program activities for two or more unexcused days, I agree that I will be considered to have voluntarily withdrawn from the program and I will not be entitled to refund of program fees.

7. I agree to notify faculty and the vendor in writing by \_\_\_\_\_ that I have personal travel arrangements while the program is in progress. I also agree to provide faculty and the vendor with details of the travel including plane, bus, train, schedules and accommodations.

8. I agree that I will not leave the program's lodging in Belize City once activities for the day have ended. I also agree that I will not leave Belize without notifying faculty and the vendor in advance.

9. I agree that I will not be permitted to board the air plane if I've been drinking alcohol prior to departing Houston and upon returning to Houston, and that I will not drink alcohol during the flight. I agree that I will not be permitted to participate in activities for the day if I'm intoxicated. I also agree that I will not drink alcohol at any of the locations where clinical services are provided. I agree that I will not be permitted to snorkel if I've been drinking.

10. I agree that I will not fraternize with, date, become engaged to or marry local individuals.

11. I agree that I will maintain a high level of professionalism with faculty. I also agree that I will abide by the ASHA Code of Ethics. I agree that I will not misrepresent my status in the profession.

12. I agree that all patient information will remain confidential, and pictures of patients will not be posted to any social media outlet without written patient consent or parent permission. I also agree that accessing sensitive information about other students or faculty is not permitted and is grounds for immediate program dismissal.

13. I agree that I will not cause physical harm or abuse another person or myself, and I will not make direct or implied threats about the physical harm or abuse of myself or another person.

14. I agree that I will not manufacture, distribute or sell alcohol, drugs or controlled substances. I also agree that I will not purchase alcohol for anyone other than myself, and I will not purchase drugs or controlled substances for anyone including myself.

15. I agree that I will snorkel and cave tube with a life vest. I also agree to follow all posted signs regarding water safety, and only swim in locations where and during times when a life guard is on duty.

16. I agree that I will not operate a motorized vehicle of any kind.

17. I agree that I will not retaliate against any one making a report of violation of this agreement or against anyone who participates in the investigation of allegations.

Student Name:

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Signature

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Date