

FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY

HONORS COLLEGE

2022 STUDY USA STUDENT CONTRACT

By registering to **Study USA**, I commit to making my payments on time, to complying with the requirements on time, and to remaining with the program. Refunds are not awarded, and switching programs is not allowed.

Note: - IDH 3034 is the class on campus and includes the trip.
- Deadline dates that fall on weekends and/or holidays are **NOT** moved to the next business date.

Documentation:

I am aware that *before* I secure my spot, I must (1) apply online at <https://honors.fiu.edu/studyusa/applications/>, and (2) complete, initialize, and sign this contract. My documentation will be subject to approval at registration.

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I am aware that I must submit the required Special Needs questionnaire, Pre-Departure Forms, and Waivers at <https://honors.fiu.edu/studyusa/waivers/> by **MARCH 15, 2022, 11:59PM**. If I fail to comply by the deadline, I will not be allowed to participate in IDH 3034, and/or travel with the program. Refunds will NOT be awarded, and I will still be responsible for the remainder of the balance.

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I am aware that I must clear any existing holds by **MARCH 15, 2022, 11:59PM**, and I am responsible for ensuring that I have no new ones until I am enrolled in the program* (IDH 3034.) If I fail to comply by the deadline, I will not be allowed to participate. Refunds will NOT be awarded, and I will still be responsible for the remainder of the balance.

*If I have a hold on my account I cannot be enrolled for classes.

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IF I SECURE MY SPOT ON OR AFTER MARCH 10, 2022:

I am aware that my deadline to upload my documentation and clear any existing holds will be extended until **APRIL 1, 2022, 11:59pm**. If I fail to comply by then, I will not be allowed to participate in IDH 3034 or travel with the program Refunds will NOT be awarded. Posted charges will not be removed.

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Physicality:

I am aware that the faculty leader and/or support staff do not administer medical care or provide medication.

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Academics:

I am aware that in order to participate in an Honors Study USA program, I must *maintain* my active status as an Honors student. If I am inactivated from the college, I will consequently be deactivated from my Study USA program, as well, and will not be allowed to participate in Study USA/IDH 3034. In which case, refunds will NOT be awarded. Posted charges will not be removed.

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I am aware that to be enrolled in Study USA/IDH 3034, or travel with the program, I must earn a passing "C" grade or higher in my Honors courses. If I receive a grade lower than C, I will not be allowed to participate in Study USA/IDH 3034. In which case, refunds will NOT be awarded. Posted charges will not be removed.

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Behavior:

I am aware that if I have been sanctioned under the FIU Student Conduct and Honor Code (<https://studentaffairs.fiu.edu/get-support/student-conduct-and-academic-integrity/student-conduct-and-honor-code/index.php>), which results in loss of privileges, and/or other sanctions that result in my not being considered to be in good standing with the University (e.g., conduct probation), I will not be eligible to participate in Study USA/IDH 3034 or travel with the program. Refunds will NOT be awarded, and I will still be responsible for the remainder of the balance.

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I am aware that if I am found responsible for an Academic Misconduct Violation, I will be dismissed from the Honors College upon notification of findings and will not be allowed to participate in Study USA/IDH 3034, or travel with the program. Refunds will NOT be awarded, and I will still be responsible for the remainder of the balance.

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I am aware that I am expected to represent the Honors College and FIU honorably and maturely. The faculty director and/or staff are authorized to end my trip early if my behavior becomes disruptive (and/or violates the FIU Student Conduct and Honor Code.)

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Payments:

I am aware that once I apply online, I must secure my spot with the Honors College with a **blank, non-refundable \$250 cashier's check or money order (ONLY) and the required documentation.**

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I am aware that the one-time Study USA payment is *non-refundable* and must be made no later than April 1, 2022. The charges will be posted to my account approximately 3 to 4 weeks before the payment deadline. Once the charges are posted, they cannot be removed.

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I am aware that after the payment deadline there is a one-week grace period, an *extended* deadline, when the payment is still accepted. However, the **late fee will still be applied, and I could get a hold on my account.** If I fail to complete my payment within exactly that *one-week* grace period, and had not notified the Honors College in advance, I will be withdrawn from the program and will not be allowed to participate in Study USA IDH 3034 or travel with the program. Refunds will NOT be awarded, and I will still be responsible for the remainder of the balance and late fees.

*Students with holds on their accounts cannot be enrolled for classes.

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I am aware that I am responsible to ensure with Student Financials that any payment made towards my study abroad program is indeed applied to that program.

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I am aware that if I am paying my program through a scholarship, it is still my responsibility to have the payments made on time and in their entirety. Therefore, it is my responsibility to contact Financial Aid to ensure they will be complying. If any delays are foreseen, it is my responsibility to notify the Honors College of the situation. If the scholarship will not cover the full amount due, it is my responsibility to pay the remaining balance. If I fail to comply, refunds will NOT be awarded. Posted charges will not be removed.

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Switching, Withdrawals, and Cancellations:

I am aware that switching programs once I registered is not allowed. If I still want to change programs, I will have to withdraw from the initial one, first, with no refunds. Then secure my spot in the new program, pay the \$250 deposit again, and complete the new program's payment. Permission to apply for the second program is at the full discretion of the Honors College.

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I am aware that withdrawal from a program will only be permitted for medical reasons. In order to request a medical withdrawal, I must provide appropriate medical documentation from a physician licensed in the United States. Otherwise, I will remain responsible for all charges.

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I am aware that if I am dropped from a program for lack of payment, documentation, or due to FIU Student Conduct and Honor Code sanctions, I will still be responsible for the charges. That balance will still be due.

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I am aware that the Honors College reserves the right to cancel Study USA programs. Consideration to purchase Trip Cancellation insurance coverage is recommended.

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COVID:

I am aware that an inherent risk of exposure to COVID-19 EXISTS IN ANY PUBLIC PLACE WHERE PEOPLE ARE PRESENT. According to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), travel increases the risk of exposure to COVID-19. The CDC continues to discourage domestic travel. Travel increases your chances of contracting and getting sick from COVID-19. If you decide to travel, make sure you are aware of and adhere to restrictions for your destination and place of return. Check the state and territorial health department websites for the latest information. If you develop symptoms during or after travel, notify your primary care provider immediately.

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I am aware that all programs are contingent upon the COVID situation and FIU's decision. FIU continues to carefully monitor the public health situation for travel. Please keep in mind that there is a possibility that the program will not be allowed to travel in the summer even once you've started taking the class. In that case, you will finish the course without the travel portion.

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CDC Recommendations: As an Honors Study USA participant, I understand that I may be traveling to or through areas that have risks. Information about health precautions can be found at the Centers for Disease Control Department at <http://www.cdc.gov/>. If circumstances change, and a health advisory is issued for any area to which my program is traveling, I understand that FIU may, in its sole discretion, terminate the program that I am on and require my immediate return to FIU. I agree to fully cooperate, including being responsible for any resulting costs, with FIU if this occurs.

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FIU's scope in program changes: By embarking on an Honors Study USA program, I understand that accrued expenses from voluntary or involuntary withdrawal from the program will be the sole responsibility of the student.

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I am aware that by signing up to participate in a Study USA program, I am assuming all the above-mentioned responsibilities, and I am committing to comply with them without further notices.

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I have read the information above and understand my duties and responsibilities

Signature

Name (please print)

FIU E-mail Address

Panther ID

Telephone Number

Date