The document is a form titled "Assumption of Risk and Release Form" from Miami University. It contains several sections that outline the risks and responsibilities associated with participating in the Miami University Study Abroad Program. The form requires the applicant to sign and release liability for various potential risks encountered during the program, including travel, institutional arrangements, independent activity, health and safety, and standards of conduct.
informed of, and will abide by, all such laws and standards for each country to or through which I will travel during the Program.

B. I will also comply with the University’s rules, standards or instructions for student behavior. I waive and release all claims against the University that arise at a time when I am not under the direct supervision of the University or that are caused by my failure to remain under such supervision or to comply with such rules, standards, and instructions.

C. I agree that the University has the right to enforce the standards of conduct described above, in its sole judgment, and that it will impose sanctions, up to and including expulsion from the Program, for violating these standards or for any behavior detrimental to or incompatible with the interest, harmony, and welfare of the University, the Program, or other participants. I recognize that due to the circumstances of foreign study programs, procedure for notice, hearing and appeal applicable to student disciplinary proceedings at the University do not apply. If I am expelled, I consent to being sent home at my own expense with no refund of fees.

D. I am solely responsible for any legal problems I encounter with any foreign nationals or government of the host country. The University is not responsible for providing any assistance under such circumstances.

6. **Program Changes.** The University has the right to make cancellations, substitutions or changes in case of emergency or changed conditions or in the interest of the Program. I understand that the University’s fees and program charges are based on current airfares, lodging rates and travel costs, which are subject to change. If I leave or am expelled from the Program for any reason, there will be no refund of fees already paid. I accept all responsibility for loss or additional expenses due to delays or other changes in the means of transportation, other services, or sickness, weather, strikes, or other unforeseen causes. If I become detached from the Program group, fail to meet a departure bus, airplane, or train, or become sick or injured, I will at my own expense seek out, contact, and reach the Program group at its next available destination.

7. **Assumption of Risk and Release of Claims.** Knowing the risks described above, and in consideration of being permitted to participate in the Program. I agree, on behalf of my family, heirs, and personal representative(s), to assume all the risks and responsibilities surrounding my participation in the Program. To the maximum extent permitted by law, I release and indemnify Miami University, and its officers, employees and agents, from and against any present or future claim, loss or liability for injury to person or property which I may suffer, or for which I may be liable to any other person, during my participation in the Program (including periods in transit to or from any country where the Program is being conducted).

I have carefully read this Release Form before signing it. No representations, statements, or inducements, oral or written, apart from the foregoing statement, have been made. This agreement shall become effective only upon receipt of my application by Miami University and shall be governed by the laws of the state of Ohio, which shall be the forum for any lawsuits filed under or incident to this agreement or to the Program.

Signature of Applicant ___________________________ Date ___________________________

The original of this form is to be placed on file at the unit which has administrative responsibility for the program (i.e., the Office of Continuing Education – Oxford).

A copy of this form should accompany the director during the study abroad program.