

**U.S.-Philippines Research Experience for Undergraduates  
Department of Biological Sciences  
Old Dominion University**

**Participation Contract, Waiver of Liability, Assumption of Risk and  
Indemnity Agreement**

Participant Name \_\_\_\_\_

In consideration of being given the opportunity to participate in the U.S.-Philippines Research Experience for Undergraduates (REU) Program (“the Program”), I, for myself, my personal representatives, assigns, heirs, and next of kin:

1. **ACKNOWLEDGE**, agree, and represent that: (a) I have read the participant’s code of conduct for the Program, and agree to abide by these rules and regulations for safe participation; and (b) I am qualified and in good health and proper physical condition to participate in the Program.
2. **FULLY UNDERSTAND** that: (a) international study carries with it inherent risks associated with travel outside the United States; (b) there may be other risks and social and economic losses either not known to me or not readily foreseeable at this time; (c) personal medical insurance, including emergency medical evacuation and repatriation services, is my responsibility; and (d) I fully accept and assume all such risks and all responsibility for losses, costs, and damages I incur as a result of my participation in the Program.
3. **AGREE AND WARRANT** that I will examine and inspect each activity in which I will take part and that, if I observe any condition which I consider to be unacceptably hazardous or dangerous, I will notify the proper authority in charge of the Program and will refuse to take part in the activity until the condition is corrected to my satisfaction.
4. **HEREBY RELEASE**, discharge, and covenant not to sue the Regents of Old Dominion University, the Department of Biological Sciences and the officers, employees and agents thereof (each considered one of the “Releasees” herein) from all liability, claims, demands, losses, or damages on my account caused or alleged to be caused in whole or in part by the negligence of the Releasees or otherwise; and I further agree that if, despite this release and waiver of liability, assumption of risk, and indemnity agreement, I, or anyone on my behalf, makes a claim against any of the Releasees, I **WILL INDEMNIFY, SAVE, AND HOLD HARMLESS** each of the Releasees from any litigation expenses, attorney fees, loss, liability, damage, or cost which may incur as the result of such claim.

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Participant’s Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

If the participant is under twenty-one (21) years of age, a parent or legal guardian through signature below must also accept the conditions of participation.

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Parent’s/Guardian’s Signature

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Date

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Parent’s/Guardian’s Name (printed)