

MID-CONTINENT CONSORTIUM FOR INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION
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CODE OF CONDUCT

**2010 SUMMER IMMERSION PROGRAM AT
THE UNIVERSITY OF GUANAJUATO (MEXICO)**

The MCCIE expects participants, while in Mexico, to display maturity and to conduct themselves in a respectful, courteous, and cooperative manner AT ALL TIMES. The role of the Resident Director is to help students solve any academic questions (e.g. placement in correct classes), any practical problems (e.g. loss of passport), or any health difficulties (e.g. students' need to consult a physician) which may arise during the course of the program. The Resident Director is not a chaperone and is in no way charged to see that participants conduct themselves properly. Participants are considered adults and assume complete responsibility for their behavior at all times.

By signing this notice, participants agree to adhere scrupulously to the following specific guidelines.

- ◆ Participants will refrain from loud and boisterous behavior in public places.
- ◆ Participants will refrain from defacing or damaging any property, furnishings, or equipment which is not their own.
- ◆ Participants will obey all the rules and regulations imposed by the University of Guanajuato on students enrolled in its programs.
- ◆ Participants will attend all the standard classes in which they are enrolled.
- ◆ Participants will obey all the laws of Mexico.
- ◆ In Mexico, the legal age for drinking alcohol is 18 and above. Any participant who becomes drunk in public is subject to immediate dismissal from the program.
- ◆ Participants may only take drugs and narcotics as are prescribed by a medical doctor. Any other use of illegal drugs or narcotics will subject the offender to immediate dismissal from the program.
- ◆ Before undertaking any travel which is not an official part of their immersion program at University of Guanajuato, participants must submit a written request to the Resident Director and receive his/her written permission. They are discouraged from traveling outside Mexico. Participants who undertake any "unofficial" travel without requesting and receiving permission from the Resident Director as specified above, are subject to immediate dismissal from the program. The Consortium and the Resident Director assume NO liability or responsibility whatsoever for participants when they undertake travel which is not an official part of the immersion program at the University of Guanajuato.
- ◆ Except when on authorized travel or "official" excursions, participants staying with a host family are expected to spend each night with their family and participants living in the dormitories are expected to spend each night in their dorm room. Repeated failure to do so will result in dismissal from the program.
- ◆ Participants must follow any additional rules of conduct prescribed by the Resident Director in special circumstances.

If any of the above guidelines are not observed, the Resident Director may give the offender a warning or may recommend to the Program Manager or the Executive Director that the offender be dismissed from the program.

Before any participant is dismissed the participant concerned will be informed of his/her alleged offense by the Resident Director and will be given the chance to explain his/her conduct. Decisions to dismiss will be made by the Resident Director, after consultation with the appropriate administrator of the host institution and the Program Manager or Executive Director of the Consortium. Participants who are dismissed will be instructed by the Resident Director to return to their permanent home address and must make arrangement to do so and leave within 48 hours. They must cover all costs related to the return trip home.

Signed

Date