

**MESSIAH COLLEGE**  
**PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT EXPERIENCE (PDE) – STUDENT AGREEMENT**

*(This is a release. Please read carefully.)*

**STUDENTS MUST SUBMIT THIS COMPLETED FORM TO THE PDE INTERNSHIP CENTER FACULTY WHEN REGISTERING FOR CREDIT.**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, ID# \_\_\_\_\_ am a student at Messiah College  
*(student name - please print)*

and plan to undertake a PDE during:   o Fall   o Spring   o Summer, 20\_\_\_\_ at the following location:

\_\_\_\_\_  
*(PDE Site)*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*(city/state/country)*

Messiah College itself does not control the way in which the PDE work experience and the PDE site is structured or operates. In granting academic credit for this PDE, the College affirms that, to the best of its judgment, the experience is an appropriate curricular option for students in a liberal arts program of study and worthy of Messiah College credit but makes no other assurances, expressed or implied, about any travel and living arrangements the student has made.

Messiah College does not knowingly approve PDE opportunities which pose undue risks to their participants. However, any PDE or travel carries with it potential hazards which are beyond the control of the College and its agents or employees.

**INSURANCE COVERAGE**

I have sufficient health, accident, disability and hospitalization insurance to cover me during my PDE; I further understand that I am responsible for the costs of such insurance and for the expenses not covered by this insurance, and I recognize that Messiah College does not have an obligation to provide me with such insurance.

I assume full responsibility for any undisclosed physical or emotional problems that might impair my ability to complete the experience, and I release Messiah College from any liability for injury to myself or damage to or loss of my possessions.

I understand that if I use my personal vehicle for the benefit of the agency with whom I perform my PDE, Messiah College has no liability for personal injury or property damage which may result from that use. I agree to rely solely on my personal vehicle insurance coverage and on any insurance coverage provided by my PDE agency.

I understand that I will not be entitled to unemployment compensation benefits upon completion of my PDE. Further, I understand that Messiah College assumes no liability for personal injury which I may suffer in the course of my PDE and agree to be responsible for ascertaining whether my PDE agency provides workers compensation coverage for me.

**PERSONAL CONDUCT**

I understand that the responsibilities and circumstances of an off-campus PDE may require a standard of professional decorum. Therefore, I indicate my willingness to understand and conform to the professional standards of the PDE site as well as to the terms of the Messiah College Community Covenant. I further understand that it is important to the success of the present PDE and the continuance of future practica that students observe standards of conduct that would not compromise Messiah College in the eyes of individuals and organizations with which it has dealings, and I acknowledge the PDE Internship Center Faculty's responsibility for setting rules and interpreting conduct for this purpose. I agree that should the PDE Internship Center Faculty decide that I must be terminated from my PDE because of conduct that might bring the program into disrepute, or the PDE into jeopardy, or violates the Messiah College Community Covenant, that decision will be final and may result in the loss of academic credit.

**GENERAL RELEASE**

I understand that Messiah College reserves the right to make cancellations, changes or substitutions in cases of emergency or changed conditions or in the general interest of the PDE program. I understand that the Messiah College PDE Internship Center Faculty may take any actions he/she considers to be warranted under the circumstances to protect my health and safety and/or to guard the integrity of the PDE Program, including termination of the PDE experience.

It is further expressly agreed that the PDE site and its use of any and all facilities shall be undertaken by me at my sole risk and that Messiah College shall not be liable for any and all claims, demands, injuries, damages, actions, or causes of actions, whatsoever to me or to my property arising out of or connected with the PDE and with the use of any and all services, or facilities associated with the PDE, whether or not sponsored by Messiah College. I release, discharge and covenant not to sue Messiah College, its governing board, employees or agents as to any and all liability that may arise out of injury or harm to me, death, or property damage, resulting from my participation in this PDE, excepting only liability due to the negligence or willful misconduct of the College.

STUDENT SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_