# Enrollment Agreement - Pathfinder Costa Rica

The Program's enrollment agreement is a legally binding document and, as such, it should be reviewed in detail prior to execution.

#### **Basic Information**

Name of the Participant:	
Date of Birth:	
Date of Enrollment:	
Date of Disenrollment:	

### **FIRST**

# 1. Program Activities

A variety of educational and recreational activities are offered near the town of Atenas, as well as activities in other regions of Costa Rica. These activities may include, but are not limited to, sightseeing, field trips, biking, hiking, camping, canopy tours, swimming, boating, kayaking, canoeing, rafting, windsurfing, water skiing, surfing, snorkeling, running, horseback riding, or other physical activities. Participation in these activities may involve exposure to the elements, plants and animals, "acts of God" or nature, stress, accidents, or involvement with other participants. All of these activities contain certain inherent risks against which PATHFINDER or its contracted service providers cannot protect PARTICIPANT, including but not limited to damages to personal and real property, illness, emotional discomfort or injury, physical injuries, or even death. Nonetheless, PATHFINDER recommends these activities for the opportunities they provide as rewarding experiences for participants during their enrollment in the Program.

## 1.2. Tools and Projects.

During enrollment in the Program, PARTICIPANT may participate in internships or community service projects which require the use of hand tools and power tools. Though safety procedures are established, trained and enforced, use of these tools present certain inherent risks against which PATHFINDER cannot always protect PARTICIPANT including, but not limited to, damages to personal and real property or physical injuries.

# 1.3. Foreign Opportunity/Foreign Risk.

Foreign locations provide a unique and exciting setting for the program. Because Program location is outside of the United States it offers, among other things, exposure to and immersion in a new culture that can provide immeasurable benefits for the PARTICIPANT. While PATHFINDER takes reasonable and necessary steps to create a safe environment for PARTICIPANTS, it is impossible for PATHFINDER or, indeed, anyone to guard against all risks inherent in living in a foreign country.

# 1.4. Transportation.

During enrollment in the Program, PARTICIPANT may be required to travel in a Program's operated motor vehicle, a contracted transportation provider, taxis, or a public carrier for the purpose of transporting PARTICIPANT from one place to another as part of PARTICIPANT's participation in program activities. In addition, PARTICIPANT may need to be transported by public carrier, i.e., bus, train or airplane to travel to or from the Program. The use of a motor vehicle or public carrier involves certain inherent risks against which SI!GAP cannot always protect the Participant.

# 1.5. Acknowledgment/Waiver of Liability/Release.

- 1.5.1 Sponsor and Participant, hereby acknowledge that he/she has reviewed the above discussions of potential risks and injuries. Knowing these risks and the potential injuries, and acknowledging that not all risks and injuries may have been listed, Sponsor and Participant hereby consent(s) to Participant's involvement in all activities conducted by PATHFINDER and by any companies hired by it, to provide said activities.
- 1.5.2 In consideration for being permitted to participate in the program, Participant agree(s) to not sue, to assume all risks and to release, hold harmless and indemnify the Academy or ATENAS MANAGEMENT COMPANY INC and any and all of it predecessors, successors, officers, directors, trustees, insurers, employees, managers, agents, volunteers, interns, community organizations, administrators, heirs, attorneys, executors, assigns and/or related or affiliated business entities (collectively all of the above persons and entities shall be referred to as the "Released Parties" hereafter) who through negligence, carelessness or any other cause, might otherwise be liable to Participant under theories of contract or tort law. Participants understand and agree that this Waiver and Release is binding on his or her heirs, assigns and legal representatives and that the Released Parties shall be exempt from liability to Participant, and their heirs, assigns and legal representatives.

Name of Participant:	Signature:	Date:
Name of Financial Sponsor (if it applies)	Signature:	Date:

## **SECOND**

## 2. House Rules

The Family will apply the same rules for the hosted student as for the other children of the Family, such as arrival times, noise, cleanliness, among others; so that the student does not feel discriminated against and their integration is faster.

# 2.1 Program Rules

As mentioned before, the host family will provide you with information about essential house rules. The following general rules are in place for the program and are not negotiable:

## **Basic Rules**

- 1. Maintain good personal and room cleanliness.
- 2. Inform when you are going to use the kitchen and food.
- 3. Arrival time 10:00pm and 11pm during weekends, if there is any delay, inform in advance.
- 4. Notify if you go out and are not going to do any of the meal times at home.
- 5. Communicate with the family if for some reason you do not come home to sleep.
- 6. After 10 at night, if you listen to music or talk on the phone, keep the volume low, as people may be sleeping
- 7. Avoid bringing alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs into the house. If the family has evidence of this behavior, they will inform us.
- 8. Visits are allowed only if your family is in agreement with this.
- 9. Friends sleep-overs are not allowed.
- 10. Avoid disruptive behaviors, aggressive language, bad words or inappropriate manners in your house.
- 11. Be respectful of cultural differences, sexual orientation, gender identities, religious beliefs or the absence of it, ethnic groups, special needs, etc.
- 12. The host family won't receive any sort of payment from you. Remember that this only corresponds to SI!GAP.
- 13. Avoid using the family telephone for national or international calls.

## 2.2 Prohibited Items:

Certain items should NOT be brought to the Homestay house. These items include, but are not limited to legal drugs (excluding those that are medically necessary and prescribed by a licensed physician) and/or illegal drugs (synthetic pharmaceuticals and natural substances), inhalants, alcohol, tobacco products, weapons, and sexually explicit material. Participants shall not have any of these restricted items in their possession at any time during their stay with their homestay family.

# 2.3 Activities outside of Homestay:

The activities that the student carries out outside the family environment, such as going to the movies with friends, hobbies, eating out and others; should be covered by the student, for which the program will also help them by providing \$100 per month approximately for their own expenses.

# 2.4 Activities outside of the Program:

Although not recommended, if the PARTICIPANT plans an activity outside of the Program or even the country while still enrolled with PATHFINDER, knowing the risks of the activity or trip they decide on, SI!GAP will not take responsibility.

#### Sign at Arrival

Enrollment	Name	Signature	Date of Signature	Date of Enrollment
Participant:				
PATHFINDER Representative:				

# Sign at Program Completion

Enrollment	Name	Signature	Date of Signature	Date of Program Completion
Participant:				
PATHFINDER Representative:				