RISKS ASSOCIATATED WITH PROGRAM-SPECIFIC ACTIVITIES

In addition to the general travel risks outlined in the <u>Study Abroad Risk Advisory</u> this program Business Internship in New Zealand (hereinafter "Program") has specific activities which may pose a heightened level of risk for participants. UC Davis Study Abroad provides this information so that I may make an informed decision about consenting to participate in the Program. Participants in the Business Internship in New Zealand program will be expected to participate in these activities. If participants do not want to participate in an activity, they must inform the internship provider (ISA) or Program Coordinator immediately and ask to opt out. If participants do not ask to opt out, UC Davis Study Abroad will assume they consent to the risks associated with participating in the activities.

In some cases, an activity may be a <u>required</u> component of the Program (e.g. travel to another site) and if participants wish to opt out, they may not be able to participate in the Program at all. Because the Program travels as a group, it may be impossible for the decision to opt out to be kept confidential.

- This Program includes transportation or tours on boats or other marine vessels. These vessels may be public conveyances or private charters, subject to oversight by marine regulatory bodies of New Zealand. UC Davis Study Abroad cannot certify pilot training or licensure, vessel integrity, or mechanical service. UC Davis Study Abroad cannot anticipate water conditions but where possible will postpone travel or change itineraries under inclement conditions (may not be possible for public conveyance). All travelers should ensure appropriate life-saving/personal floatation devices are available before boarding, review and understand all safety procedures, and ask questions about the use of safety devices.
- This Program includes non-traditional non-motorized transportation both during Program hours and/or as the primary means of transportation for students during free time via (select all that apply):

Extended walking or hiking of (indicate the mileage)

This form of transportation is a common or elective form of public transportation in the country abroad but may have limited or no governmental regulation. This means that equipment or animals may or may not be inspected, that I may be at risk for injury due to contact with animals or their behavior, and that this form of transportation may require my own physical exertion.

• This Program includes water-based recreational activities such as snorkeling or swimming. Water sports and activities include elevated risk of injury or death due to weather or water conditions (currents, riptides, storms, lightning, etc.), drowning, hypothermia, equipment failure, contact with a water-borne bacteria or virus, as well as other water-based injuries. Travelers who participate in these activities must be able to swim, even if floatation devices are provided. A lifeguard may not be present at the activity site. Travelers assume additional responsibility for assessing their own comfort and risk tolerance related to prevailing water conditions and equipment on site.

• <u>This Program requires the use of public transportation</u>. Travelers on this Program will be required to utilize public transportation (buses, trains, taxis, etc.) as the primary means of conveyance. Travelers may be provided with transportation passes as part of their Program fees. Public transportation services are regulated by local governments and are typically held to minimum standards of repair, safety, timely service and accessibility. Public transportation is often very safe and, in some areas, is the only means of transportation. However, local regulations may differ or be less than those for public transportation in the U.S. Use of public transportation include the risk of injury from accident (including operator negligence), transit delays, fines or penalties for improper use, impacts or shutdowns related to worker strikes, petty theft and assault, and minimal but elevated risk from terrorist activities.

• This program includes activities in the vicinity of dangerous and dynamic natural phenomena

This program includes low-risk activities such as hiking which take place around geologic activity or natural phenomena that may have fewer public safeguards or warnings as in the United States. There is therefore an elevated risk of injury to travelers who are not aware of their surroundings. For example, travelers may hike near cliffs, crevasses, fissures, rivers, waterfalls, oceans, lagoons, active volcanoes, and hot geysers that have minimal or no public barriers to prevent injury and which could cause substantial risk of bodily injury or death to the individual who is not aware of their surroundings. Warning signs may be minimal or non-existent. The required activities are supervised and precautionary warnings will be provided but students must remain alert, exercise caution and be aware of their surroundings at all times. In addition to importance of staying alert, these geologic phenomena can undergo rapid and unexpected changes at any moment, such as earthquakes or eruptions, which are unpreventable.