



**Application Form**

Please fill out this application form in BLOCK CAPITALS.

Country you wish to travel to: \_\_\_\_\_

Please tick ONE  LANGUAGE COURSE – Name of Language School: \_\_\_\_\_  
of the following:

SECONDARY SCHOOL ABROAD  HOMESTAY ONLY

OTHER – Please specify: \_\_\_\_\_

Travel Dates From: \_\_\_\_\_ To: \_\_\_\_\_

**PERSONAL DETAILS**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Tel. No. \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile No. \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

Date of birth \_\_\_\_\_

Nationality \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

School attended in Ireland \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Sex: Male  Female

Marital Status: Single  Married

Mother's occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Father's occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Please describe your family (names, ages) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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Have you lived or travelled abroad? (please list year and country) \_\_\_\_\_  
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What do you expect from this programme? \_\_\_\_\_  
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Where did you hear about E.I.L.? \_\_\_\_\_

**PARENT / GUARDIAN (if under 18)**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Tel. No. \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile No. \_\_\_\_\_

Do you wish us to communicate with you by E-mail?

Yes  No

If yes, include E-mail address below.  
(only include e-mail address if checked on a regular basis)

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Do you smoke? Yes  No

Do you have any allergies that require special medical treatment?

Yes  No

Do you have any dietary restrictions? Yes  No

**CHECKLIST** Have you included:

EIL Application Form  Programme Application Form  Passport photos  Host Family Letter (if applicable)  Deposit

INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL SLOW DOWN THE APPLICATION PROCESS AND MAY RESULT IN STUDENTS NOT BEING PLACED IN THEIR DESIRED COURSE.

DECLARATION: 'I hereby declare that all the information on this application is true and accurate and that I have read and accept the terms and conditions of this booking outlined overleaf.'

If applicant is under 18, parent/guardian must sign here: \_\_\_\_\_



# Terms & Conditions

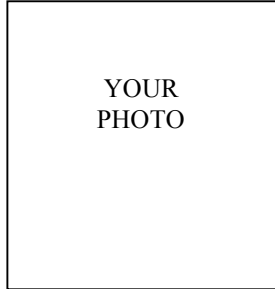
Please read carefully before signing declaration overleaf.

- Each applicant must complete an application form and submit along with a letter to the prospective host family describing themselves and their interests, two photographs and a non-refundable deposit of €250 for classic homestays, €350 for language courses or €500 for academic programmes **AT LEAST SIX WEEKS BEFORE DEPARTURE.** *(Please see supplementary information for Academic Programme deadlines and cost).*
  - EIL Study Abroad is part of EIL Intercultural Learning which is the Irish national office of The Experiment in International Living.
  - Applications to participate in EIL Programmes are welcome from those with a sincere desire to develop understanding and friendship between people of different cultures and backgrounds and with the ability to adapt easily to daily life in another culture.
  - EIL reserves the right to refuse participation on any programme to any person(s) demonstrating discriminatory attitudes in relation to race, class, occupation, religion or colour.
  - EIL reserves the right to remove from the programme any student who consumes alcohol; breaks the law or who engages in dangerous or inappropriate behaviour which puts their own safety or the safety of others at risk. *'Students under the age of 18.'*
  - Participants agree at all times to consider themselves ambassadors of Ireland and will at all times behave in a way that reflects positively on Ireland and the Irish people. Participants agree at all times to respect the property of their hosts.
  - Participants agree to attend class daily, on-time and in a condition to actively participate in class. Failure to do so could result in disciplinary measures imposed by the school up to and including expulsion from the programme.
  - If a participant is expelled from the programme there will be no refund of any unused fees. The participant, his/her legal guardian (if under 18) will be responsible for all repatriation costs.
  - Participants under 18 years of age agree to at all times accept any house rules introduced by their hosts especially in relation to consumption of alcohol, smoking or curfews.
  - Participants agree to contact their nearest EIL Local Representative in the event of any difficulties or problems arising. *'Academic Programme only'*
  - Host family availability may vary according to country, city or region and time of year. EIL does not accept requests for friends or relatives to be placed in the same host family and is unable to accept requests for friends or relatives to be placed in the same location or in a location near to each other. Applicants should be as flexible as possible in their requirements. Consideration will be given to specific requirements but these can never be guaranteed.
  - Accommodation details will, where possible, be sent 14 days before departure, except in the case of special requests, late applications and certain countries (please ask for details).
  - All prices are quoted in Euro. The balance of the programme fee should be paid not later than 4 weeks before departure. Late applications are accepted subject to additional charges of €25 if less than six weeks before departure or €50 if less than 4 weeks before departure. Make cheques payable to 'EIL – Intercultural Learning'. If bookings are made 4 weeks or less before departure the entire fee must accompany the booking form.
  - EIL reserves the right to cancel any programme for which full payment has not been received 14 days before departure.
  - Charges are based upon currency rates in operation at the time of publication. EIL reserves the right to alter or withdraw programmes if the arrangements as originally published are no longer feasible at a reasonable cost.
  - EIL accepts no liability whatsoever for any loss, illness or accident suffered by a participant during the programme howsoever caused.
  - Participants travelling to destinations outside of The European Union, the United States of America and Switzerland agree to seek medical advice on any vaccinations or medical/dietary requirements prior to departure.
  - The following scale of cancellation charges shall apply for all programmes** except for language courses and academic programmes. After booking: loss of deposit; After receipt of placement details: 50% or deposit (whichever is highest); No show: 100%. The cancellation charges for specific language courses and academic programmes are outlined on the supplementary information sheets for each programme and course. If you are unclear about these charges please inform us immediately. In all cases there will be a loss of deposit if the booking is cancelled after receipt of the application. Participants are strongly advised to take out 'trip – cancellation' insurance as cancellation charges are non-negotiable.
  - No refund is payable to participants who withdraw from the programme before the finish date.
  - Insurance is included in the cost of each EIL programme. Key features:**  
**Medical expences in case of accident...** Unlimited  
**Medical evacuation...** € / US \$100,000  
**Accidental disability...** Max. € / US\$ 50,000  
**Liability Insurance...** € / US\$ 500,000  
**Toll-free, multi-lingual 24/7 emergency hotlines**  
**Host family - property damage...** € / US 1,000  
**Family member to bedside of insured...** € / US\$ 2,500  
**Theft / damage of personal property...** € / US\$ 1,500
- Before travel we send full details of the cover including your insurance identity card and instructions on how to make a claim. We encourage all participants travelling within the European Union to also bring an E111 form as well. **Please note that you need to purchase additional travel insurance to cover you for delay/cancellation of flights/programme.***
- Please note that participants are responsible for their own flights.
  - The possibility exists of transport delays or cancellations due to weather conditions, industrial disputes or other causes; whilst EIL greatly regrets any inconvenience caused to participants, it can not be held responsible for any repercussions, financial or otherwise caused by weather conditions, war, fire, flood, strike, industrial dispute, terrorist activities, hostilities, political unrest, riot, civil commotion, inevitable accident, act of God, or other circumstances amounting to force majeure.

Please, complete enclosed application form and dossier.



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### HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAM

number of months requested:.....beginning from (time of the year):.....

Name.....  
(first name + family name)

Address.....

Tel. No..... Mobile phone.....

Fax..... E-mail.....

Date of birth..... Type of school attended.....

Sex: M  F       Citizenship:.....

Religion ..... Passport No.....

Emergency contact: .....  
(name and number)

Insurance policy No.....

Do you have allergies that require special medical treatment?  
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If you are allergic to animals, could you live with a family if the pet is kept out of your room?  
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Do you have dietary restrictions due to food allergies, medications, religious beliefs or personal beliefs (e.g. vegetarian)?

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If vegetarian, would you be willing to eat meat/poultry/fish?

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Do you like children?..... Do you smoke?.....

Please describe your education (subjects studied):

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Please describe your family (names, ages, occupation, etc.):

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Please list your interests, activities and hobbies including sports, art, culture and membership in organizations, clubs, etc.:

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Have you lived or traveled abroad? (please list year and country)

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Who in the family initiated the idea of your participation in a high school program?

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Most students feel lonely and homesick at some point during their stay. How will you handle these feelings?

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What do you expect from this program?

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How do you intend to make this program a success?

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Foreign Language ability:			
English	🍏 poor	🍏 good	🍏 excellent
French	🍏 poor	🍏 good	🍏 excellent
German	🍏 poor	🍏 good	🍏 excellent
Italian	🍏 poor	🍏 good	🍏 excellent
Other:			

Date:.....

Signature:.....

**PLEASE ATTACH:**

- A PHOTO ALBUM SHOWING YOURSELF AND YOUR FAMILY
- A "DEAR FAMILY LETTER" (THIS SHOULD BE 2/4 FULL PAGES IN LENGHT. TALK ABOUT YOU HABITS, YOUR LIKES AND DISLIKES, YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS AND ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION THAT WILL HELP YOUR FAMILY KNOW YOU BETTER)
- COPIES OF YOUR SCHOOL REPORTS OF THE TWO MOST RECENT SCHOOL YEARS (TRANSLATED INTO ITALIAN, IF POSSIBLE)
- A HEALTH CERTIFICATE (IN WHICH IT IS EXPLAINED IF YOU ARE UNDER ANY TREATMENT OR IF YOU ARE TAKING MEDICATION) AND A CERTIFICATE OF VACCINATION (POLIO, DTP OR TD, HEPATITIS B, MEASLES, RUBELLA, MUMPS, CHICKEN POX, TUBERCOLOSIS SCREENING AND TESTS).



## STANDARDS OF CONDUCT

### SECTION I – STATE LAWS

If a student is arrested or if it is reliably confirmed that the student has acted illegally, program sponsorship will be revoked, resulting in early return, as soon as legally possible, to the home country at the expense of the student's parents with no refund of program fees. The student is bound by all state laws, whether included in the Standards of Conduct or not:

1. Purchase of alcoholic beverages, including beer and wine, is illegal in Italy for persons under 18 years old. Students are not permitted to purchase or drink alcoholic beverages and to associate with any persons involved in the use of alcohol.
2. If a student is found to be a smoker after having stated otherwise, he/she may be placed on probation and may be expelled from program. If the student is a smoker, he/she must comply with all smoking restrictions imposed by the host family, host school, any public or private venue and state laws.
3. The student must not buy, sell, possess or use illegal or controlled drugs and medicines, unless prescribed for him/her by a licensed physician. If the student is taking prescription drugs, the name, dosage and length of time of use for each drug must be communicated to the Experiment Italia office. The student must not associate with any persons involved in illegal drug use or drug trafficking.
4. Students must not commit or take part in any act of violence against another person or property.
5. Shoplifting and theft are illegal and may lead to criminal charges and immediate repatriation with no refund.
6. Driving without a driver's licence is illegal. The student is not allowed to drive any car, motorcycle or other motorized vehicle and/or obtain a driver's licence while on the Experiment Italia program in Italy.
7. It is illegal for minors to access pornography on the internet, either printed or read.

### SECTION II – HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

All decisions regarding grade placement, credit, sports eligibility and sports participation are at the discretion of individual high schools and/or school districts.

1. The student must accept and respect all decisions made by the school or school district regarding grade placement, credit, diplomas, sports eligibility and sports participation, and any other decision which the school has legal authority to make. A student who continues to lobby the school personnel and/or school district after a final decision has been made will be placed on probation.
2. A student who is dismissed or expelled from school for any reason will have the program terminated immediately with no refund and be sent home as soon as possible.
3. The student must obey all school rules, attend classes regularly, and be responsible for assuming a full course load and for making a good effort in all classes.

### SECTION III – DRIVING A MOTORIZED VEHICLE

The student may not drive any car, motorcycle, motor scooter, all-terrain vehicle or other motorized vehicle during the program.

### SECTION IV – STUDENT PLACEMENT, HOST FAMILY PARTICIPATION AND HOST FAMILY RULES

1. A private bedroom is not guaranteed. Only a separate bed is guaranteed.
2. The student must comply with all reasonable rules of host family (e.g. curfews, household chores, visitors, phone calls, etc.). If a student violates host family rules, a meeting will be set up with the student, host family, and local coordinator to discuss the situation and come to an agreement about necessary changes in behaviour and/or expectations. If the student violates the agreement, he/she will be placed on probation.
3. The student must keep the host family informed at all times of his/her whereabouts, with whom he/she is associating and times of departure from and return to the host family's home.
4. The student must not lend money to or borrow money from the host family or from any other source. **Natural parents must supply the student with an adequate amount of spending money at all times (€ 150-200 per month).**
5. The student must adhere to the host family's rules and restrictions regarding computer and internet use.

6. The student must speak with the Experiment Italia local coordinator about any problems he/she is having and refrain from speaking about his/her host family's private affairs to community members and friends.
7. Winters are very cold in most parts of Italy, especially the North, so students must have appropriate clothing.

#### **SECTION V – BIOLOGICAL FAMILY VISITS AND STUDENT TRAVEL DURING THE PROGRAM**

1. Visits from family or friends are discouraged until the very end of the program. Any visit during the program must have prior permission of the Experiment Italia National Office.
2. The student is not permitted to travel outside the local area by him/herself alone or with other persons without permission of the Experiment Italia office.
3. Overnight travel with the host family, another family, an approved responsible adult (at least 25 years of age) or approved group (e.g. school, church, etc.) is permitted if prior consent is given by the host family, the local coordinator, and the natural parents or legal guardians of the student, as requested at page 7 of these standards of conduct. The host family and the local coordinator must be informed of all such trips and have a phone contact to reach the student in case of emergency.
4. If a student travels outside Italy, he/she must always carry his/her personal documents and have the permission of the Experiment Italia office.

#### **SECTION VI – LIFE CHANGING DECISIONS**

1. Students will not be permitted to make life-changing decisions, including but not limited to marriage, religious conversion, and other decisions with social, political and legal ramifications.
2. Students may not conduct an unacceptable sexual behaviour, otherwise they will be placed on probation. Students found to be pregnant or responsible for a pregnancy while on the program will have the program terminated and returned home as soon as arrangements can be made, with no refund of program fees.
3. Students will not be permitted to tattoo or pierce any part of their body while on the program.

#### **SECTION VII – CHANGING HOST FAMILIES, WITHDRAWAL OR TERMINATION FROM PROGRAM**

1. A student may not withdraw from the program at any time without the permission of the Experiment Italia National Office. If the student leaves the program for any reason, whether voluntarily or involuntarily, he/she may not return to the program and will not receive a refund.  
If there is death or serious illness in the student's immediate family, he/she may return home to deal with the crisis and will be accepted back to complete the program.
2. If the student is transferred from one host family to another, any transportation costs incurred are the responsibility of the student and biological family.

#### **SECTION VIII – RETURNING HOME AT THE END OF THE PROGRAM**

1. The student must return to the home country at the end of the program, i.e. 1 or 2 weeks after the end of the academic term for which the student was enrolled, unless prior permission has been granted for adult-supervised travel by the Experiment Italia National Office.
2. Unsupervised travel or travel with peers is **NOT** permitted at the end of the program. Adult-accompanied and adult-supervised travel may be permitted at the end of the program only if permission is granted in writing by the biological parents, the host family, the local coordinator and the National Office. A detailed itinerary of travel plans, including modes of travel as well as addresses and telephone numbers for emergency contact during the travel period, must also be submitted. Students must also extend insurance coverage, if necessary.
3. If a student leaves a host family with outstanding debts, including but not limited to medical bills, telephone calls or damage to the host family's property, the student's biological family will be responsible for the payment.

#### **AGREEMENT TO ABIDE BY THE EXPERIMENT ITALIA PROGRAM STANDARDS OF CONDUCT**

Experiment Italia expects the highest standards of behaviour from program participants at all times.

Violation of these Standards of Conduct will lead to disciplinary action, probation and possible repatriation with no refund of program fees. Violators of the Standards of Conduct will have an opportunity to explain their actions to the host family, the local coordinator and/or the National Office staff.

A decision about discipline and an agreement for future actions and/or behaviour changes will be made at that time. If violations are serious and warrant further action or the agreed-upon actions are not met, the student will be placed on probation. The decision for probation will be made in conjunction with the Experiment Italia National Office staff: the student, host family, school (in cases of academic probation), the representative (who will inform the natural parents) will be notified of the terms of the probation status. Further violation will lead to the decision to terminate the program and to repatriate the student at the parents' expense and with no refund of program fees. The Experiment Italia National Office will notify the Office, which will inform the natural parents that the student is being terminated from the program and is being repatriated.

We, the undersigned student, parents and/or legal guardians, have read and understood all of the above stated in the Experiment Italia High School Exchange Program Standards of Conduct. I, the student, agree to obey the Standards of Conduct and all conditions of participation in the Experiment Italia High School Exchange Program.

We, the parents, agree that our son/daughter will obey the Standards of Conduct.

We understand that the violation of these Standards of Conduct may lead to disciplinary action and possible termination from the Experiment Italia Program, which may result in an early repatriation at the parents' expense and with no refund of program fees.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of the father/  
legal guardian

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of the mother/  
legal guardian

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of the student

#### **TRAVEL RELEASE/AUTHORIZATION**

We, the undersigned student, parents and/or legal guardians, authorize our child to travel within the guidelines as established in the Experiment Italia Program Standards of Conduct and accept full responsibility, including all costs, for our child's participation in any approved travel activities and to indemnify and not hold Experiment Italia and its local coordinators responsible for any claims and/or liabilities to third parties arising from our child's participation, except for what is covered by the insurance. (See BIOLOGICAL FAMILY VISITS AND STUDENT TRAVEL DURING THE PROGRAM and RETURNING HOME AT THE END OF THE PROGRAM).

We also understand that our child must return to the home country on or before the expiration date of his/her stay in Italy. It is understood that this Travel Release/Authorization is signed in advance and eliminates the necessity of obtaining our signatures at the time of any program-approved travel for the duration of our child's participation in the Experiment program.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of the father/  
legal guardian

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of the mother/  
legal guardian

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

#### **MEDICAL RELEASE/AUTHORIZATION FOR EXAMINATION AND TREATMENT**

In case of illness, accident, or injury, we grant permission to examine and treat our child at an appropriate medical facility and to make referrals to outside physicians and facilities as indicated. We grant permission to release information regarding our child's health to any individuals designated by Experiment Italia and its coordinators. We also grant permission for our child to receive any and all immunizations, tests, or screenings required by state or school authorities for participation in High School Exchange Program. We also accept full responsibility for any medical expenses for our son/daughter which are not covered by his/her insurance policy.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of the father/  
legal guardian

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of the mother/  
legal guardian

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

#### **LIABILITY AND AGREEMENT RELEASE**

**To be read, signed and dated by the exchange student and both parents or legal guardians**

#### **LIABILITY AND AGREEMENT RELEASE**

While under the sponsorship of the Experiment program, the student may not participate in activities defined as high-risk activities (e.g. parachute jumping, hot air ballooning, jet skiing, skydiving, scuba diving, rock climbing, bungee jumping, etc.).

We accept full responsibility/liability for our child's participation in the activities which are specified below. (please cross out all activities in which you **DO NOT** allow your child to participate):

- drive/ride/operate tractor or any other farm equipment
- drive/ride snowmobile
- drive/ride motorboat or other power-driven water vessel; sail kayak, canoe, sailboat, surfboard
- water skiing/snow skiing/snow boarding
- ride in private planes
- ride horses
- hunting/fishing (with an adult and in accordance with local law)
- wind surfing/swimming/board diving/snorkeling/free diving
- mountain biking

- other activity, please specify \_\_\_\_\_

In anticipation of our son's/daughter's acceptance to participate in the program proposed by Experiment Italia, we, the undersigned (parents or tutor/guardians of the student) hereby release Experiment Italia, its officers, staff, board of directors, agents, program directors, local directors, host families, high schools from any and all current and future claims, charges, costs, and/or causes of action for loss of property, personal injury, illness, accident or death sustained by our child during the time he/she is a participant in the Experiment program, whether covered by current insurance or not.

We further agree to indemnify and not hold responsible all of the above-named for any and all liabilities, including liabilities to third parties, which may arise from our child's participation in the program, including all activities specified herein, in the Standards of Conduct and elsewhere. In the event of any dispute arising out of this agreement or the performance of any service for Experiment Italia, those disputes shall be governed by the laws of the Italian State.

We, the undersigned, authorize the high school, medical, legal, government, and law enforcement authorities to release Experiment Italia any records or information necessary to provide the student with appropriate supervision and guidance.

We, the student and parents, certify that all information provided in the Experiment Student Application is correct and complete, including medical and inoculation history. We understand that withholding information or providing incorrect information may be grounds for possible termination from the Experiment program and repatriation at the parents' expense with no refund of program fees.

This agreement covers the period from the time our child boards transportation scheduled until the student leaves Italy at the end of the high school exchange program.

If we, the undersigned, do not sufficiently understand Italian or English, we can request from the Representative a translation of the Standards of Conduct and Agreement in our language to ensure that we understand the information stated herein.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of the father/  
legal guardian

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of the mother/  
legal guardian

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of the student

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date