Travel Application
Princeton Theological Seminary
2013-2014

Please complete both Part I and Part II of the Travel Application.

PART I

Travel Course Description and Requirements

TH3201cr Judaism, Christianity, and Islam in Israel/Palestine
The course will take students to Tantur Ecumenical Institute outside of Jerusalem to explore Judaism, Christianity, and Islam in the context of the Israel/Palestine, visits to holy sites, worship, lectures, and informal conversation will take expose students to the interfaces and points of tension among these great traditions. Students must complete an e-application. Enrollment is limited to twenty students, Pass/D/Fail only. 3 credits.
Prerequisite: TH3200cr.
January Term, 2013-2014; Ms. Charry

Financial arrangements: Students are responsible for all costs associated with the trip. Group airfare can be arranged for a minimum of 10 persons, although students will be able to make their own trans-Atlantic travel arrangements. (Students are encouraged to look at airfare rates to and from Ben Gurion International Airport TLV, to get an idea of the cost of airfare.) Based on current estimates, land costs may be in the range of $1500 double and $2200 single occupancy, full board, not including phone and incidentals. Prices are subject to change. Airfare and other costs as estimated for the trip will be billed to students prior to the trip and payment will be due Wednesday, October 23. A few partial scholarships will be available. Financial aid inquiries should be made through the Office of Admissions and Financial Aid.

Part I
E-application for Course-Trip to Israel/Palestine 2014
Please answer the following questions and email your answers to the instructor, no later than Friday, July 26, 2013.  ellen.charry@ptsem.edu

1. Please introduce yourself: name, PTS program and year.
2. What is your experience with Judaism, Islam and/or the Middle East
3. Reasons for wanting to participate in the Trip
4. How this may benefit your anticipated ministry?
5. How do you plan to cover the expenses? Some partial scholarships will be available. Separate scholarship application is required. E-applications are available from Cathy Cook Davis in the Office of Student Relations, Room 204, Templeton Hall or email Catherine.Davis@ptsem.edu. Scholarship applications are due July 26, 2013 and scholarship recipients will be notified by August 16.
6. What special needs do you have: medical, dietary, mobility?

Application Deadline: Friday, July 26, 2013. Students will be notified of acceptance following the application date. In order to confirm one’s registration, a non-refundable deposit of $250, payable to Princeton Theological Seminary, is due to the bursar no later than September 21, 2013. E-applications should be sent to ellen.charry@ptsem.edu. Personal interviews may be required.

(Application, Part II continued)
PART II

Please read, complete, and sign the following. Submit the signed form to the Registrar’s office. This completed form must be received in order for the registrar to register you for the travel course.

ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND RELEASE FORM
Academic Year 2013-2014

This is a release of legal rights – read and understand before signing.

I ____________________, am a student of Princeton Theological Seminary (“PTS”) and will participate in a course which involves travel abroad (“the Program”) during the 2013-2014 academic year. I hereby agree as follows:

1. Risks of the Program: I understand that participation in the Program involves risks not found in study on the PTS Campus. These risks include but are not limited to: traveling off campus, different standards of design, safety and maintenance of buildings, public places and conveyances, criminal acts, civil acts/unrest and terrorism; local medical and weather conditions, and other risks that may not be foreseeable. Further, I may experience travel delays, fare changes, missed carrier connections and other problems. I have made my own investigation and am willing to accept any and all such risks.

2. Institutional Arrangements: I understand that PTS does not represent or act as an agent for, and cannot control the acts or omissions of, any host institution, transportation carrier or other provider of goods or services involved in the Program. PTS does not assume responsibility or liability, in whole or in part, for delays, delayed or changed departure or arrival times, fare changes, vehicle rental reservations, missed carrier connections, losses, damages, strikes, and mechanical defects. My baggage and personal property is my risk entirely. I understand that PTS is not responsible for matters that are beyond its control.

   A. PTS is not responsible for the cost of air fare or for travel arrangements to and from my home and the host country.

   B. PTS is not responsible regarding health and medical conditions of the host country, vaccinations or health maintenance.

3. Fees: In addition to tuition and fees, I understand that I may incur additional expenses as a participant in travel abroad and that I will be responsible for any and all additional costs.
4. Health and Safety: I am aware of all applicable personal medical needs and have arranged through insurance or otherwise to meet any and all needs for payment of medical costs while I participate in the Program. I recognize that PTS is not obligated to attend to any of my medical or medication needs and I assume all risk and responsibility therefor. If I require medical treatment or hospital care for injuries or illness in a foreign country abroad, PTS is not responsible for the costs or quality of such treatment or care. I agree to pay all expenses relating thereto and release PTS from any liability for any actions.

5. Standards of Conduct: I understand that each area of this country and each foreign country has its own laws and standards of acceptable conduct, including dress, manners, morals, politics, drug use and behavior. I will become familiar with, and will abide by, all such laws and standards of each area to and through which I will travel. I understand that, while United States nationals are under the protection of a United States passport, certain acts will place one beyond this protection. Should I experience legal problems, I must attend to the matter personally using my own funds. PTS does not guarantee what, if any, assistance it can provide in such circumstances. I agree to uphold the individual and group standards appropriate to the cultural setting, as described in the Program’s orientation and other materials. I further agree to comply with PTS rules, standards, and instructions for student behavior. If my actions or general behavior are judged to be injurious to PTS, myself, or other individuals, and/or seriously offensive to the host culture, my enrollment in the Program will be terminated, and I will return to the United States, if necessary, at my own expense. In those circumstances, I will forfeit all credits and rights of further participation in the Program.

6. Independent Activity: I understand that PTS is not responsible for any injury, loss or damage I may suffer while I am traveling independently or am otherwise separated or absent from any activities sponsored by the Program.

7. Program Requirements: I agree to adhere to PTS course requirements, including registering for the course, timely completion of all reports, and attendance at all orientations, debriefings, and appointments.

8. Copyright: I grant PTS permission to reproduce and use for educational purposes all photographs, videos, movies, or sound recordings taken of me during the time that I participate in the Program.
9. Program Changes: PTS retains the right to make cancellations, changes or substitutions to the Program at any time because of emergency or changed conditions that are in the best interests of the Program and/or its participants.

10. Assumption of Risk and Release of Claims: Knowing the risks and responsibilities described above, and in consideration of being permitted to participate in the Program, I agree, on behalf of my family, heirs and personal representative(s), to assume all the risks and responsibilities surrounding my participation in the Program. To the maximum extent permitted by law, I release and indemnify PTS, its officers, trustees, employees, representatives, and agents from and against any present or future claim, loss or liability for injury to person or property which I may suffer, or for which I may be liable to any other person, during my participation in the Program.

11. I understand that my participation in this program requires the approval of the instructor. Such approval may be revoked by the instructor, at his or her full discretion, at any time prior to departure or during this program. I understand that if I am removed from the program prior to departure, I may appeal this decision in writing to the Academic Dean prior to the start date of the program. The Academic Dean’s decision shall be final. If I am removed from the program, I may receive a failing grade. I understand that my tuition and fees will be refunded in accordance with the Seminary’s Tuition Refund Policy. The Seminary will not reimburse me for any travels expenses incurred.

I have carefully read this Release Form before signing it. I understand that, should any provision or aspect of this agreement be found to be unenforceable, that all remaining provisions of the agreement will remain in full force and effect. This agreement shall become effective upon signing and shall be governed by the laws of the state of New Jersey, which shall be the forum for any lawsuits filed under or incident to this agreement or to the Program.

Signed_________________________________________ Date________________________________