



JOHN CARROLL UNIVERSITY
2018 Spring Break Immersion Experiences
Student Participant Commitment Packet

DIRECTIONS: Please read all forms carefully and fill in completely. Use the checklist below and turn in all the materials to the Campus Ministry main office by **Thursday, November 9, 2017**

- Commitment Form initialed and signed
- \$100 Deposit (applied to total cost of immersion)

Payment can be cash or check made payable to *John Carroll University*

- Complete the Master Information Form by **Thursday, November 9, 2017:**

<https://johncarrolluniversity.wufoo.com/forms/q11af6a1ei70zv/>

RETURN TO:

Campus Ministry
John Carroll University
1 John Carroll Blvd.
University Heights, OH 44118

Questions: immersion@jcu.edu



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2017-2018 Immersion Experiences
Student Participant Commitment Form

I, _____, have accepted the invitation to be a student participant for the Immersion Experience to _____ scheduled for _____.

JCU IMMERSION VALUES

INITIAL _____

The John Carroll Immersion Experience Program is grounded in five values:

- **Education** - examining economic, historic, and socio-political issues that affect people and the environment globally.
- **Service** - recognizing the importance of meeting immediate needs of people and the environment through service.
- **Spirituality** - exploring the role of faith and spirituality in service and social action.
- **Social Justice** - engaging in social justice and social action efforts with the goal of eliminating injustice for all.
- **Community** - building sustainable relationships with people, communities, institutions, and the environment.

STUDENT PARTICIPANT EXPECTATIONS:

Prior to the Immersion

INITIAL _____

- Attend all preparation meetings, retreat/team building days, and other days identified as part of the group preparation (see schedule of meetings on the last page of this document).
- Read one book over break (prior to the first meeting on January 19) that relates to your specific location.
- **Cleveland:** \$2 a Day: Living on Almost Nothing in America by H. Luke Shaefer and Kathryn Edin
- **Immokalee:** Tomatoland by Barry Estabrook
- **Louisville:** This Flowing Toward Me: A Story of God Arriving in Strangers by Marilyn Lacey
- Students are encouraged to register for a **1-credit** option (AR 160). There are no additional meetings outside our Thursday night meetings. You are expected to write a 3-4 page paper before you leave for your immersion, and a 3-4 page reflection after your immersion experience. Please contact Anne at amcginness@jcu.edu with any questions and to inform her of your interest.

Please mark the following dates in your calendar:

Spring Break 2017-18 Kickoff & Fundraising Meeting

Thursday, November 9th, 2017: 9:00–10:30 PM, Jardine Room

Community Day

Sunday, January 28th, 2018: 1:00–4:00 PM, Dolan Science Center

Please see the final page of this document for additional dates specific to your immersion experience.

During the Immersion

INITIAL _____

- Embrace the values of the Immersion Program listed above
- Adhere to the Immersion Conduct Guidelines noted below:

Immersion Conduct Guidelines:

Participants will live the immersion experience value of community in the following ways:

- Adhere to policies of the John Carroll University Community Standards Manual (Web link: <http://sites.jcu.edu/deanofstudents/pages/community-standards/>)
- Refrain from the consumption of alcohol during an immersion experience (INCLUDING students over the age of 21 or legal drinking age in respective country)
- Refrain from exclusive relationships during the immersion experience
- Refrain from the use of electronics (i.e. cell phones, iPods, iPads, etc.) during the immersion (NOTE: there may be times where a student coordinator would need to utilize a cell phone for activities related to the immersion group – this is obviously appropriate)
- Demonstrate appropriate and respectful use of digital cameras, video cameras, and other recording devices during the immersion

After the Immersion

INITIAL _____

- Complete the post-immersion participant survey
- Participate in the 2 post-experience evenings of reflection (1 dinner and 1 retreat) organized by the Campus Ministers
- Assist your group in compiling written reflections and/or a visual presentation of your immersion
- Participate in additional activities that further reflection and engagement in the topics and issues of justice that the group faced during the experience

FINANCIAL COMMITMENT

INITIAL _____

The cost of my immersion is: _____

I have received _____ in Financial Aid.

I agree to pay/fundraise the cost of my trip minus the financial aid I have received. This total will be collected (fundraising/payments) according to the schedule below:

Spring Break 2018 Immersions Payment Schedule

33% of TOTAL by Thursday, December 14, 2017

66% of TOTAL by Thursday, January 18, 2018

100% of TOTAL by Thursday, February 15, 2018

NON-REFUND / CANCELLATION POLICY

INITIAL _____

Immersion experience planning begins more than one calendar year in advance. Thus it is necessary to begin making payments for trip participants prior to trip participation. All trip payments are non-refundable, including the \$100.00 deposit. I understand that if I choose to cancel my trip I will owe the amount due up to the date of cancellation. It is possible that a portion of payments/fundraising may be applied to a future immersion experience, depending on the cancellation date. Cancellations/credits will be addressed on a case-by-case basis.

PAYMENT/FUNDRAISING SCHEDULE POLICY

INITIAL _____

It is my responsibility to adhere to the payment/fundraising schedule (see above). If I encounter a problem with this schedule I must contact the immersion coordinator. I understand that if I fail to pay/fundraise according to the schedule above the immersion coordinator can cancel my trip and/or pursue an alternate form of payment that could include applying the balance to my university account.

I have read and agree to the guidelines of commitment for a John Carroll University Immersion Experience.

[PRINTED NAME]

[SIGNATURE]

[DATE]



SAVE THIS FORM & MARK YOUR CALENDAR Spring Break 2018 Important Dates

Spring Break and May 2018 Kickoff & Fundraising Meeting

Thursday, November 19th, 2017: 9:00–10:30 PM, Jardine Room

Community Day

Sunday, January 28th, 2017: 1:00–4:00 PM, Dolan Science Center

Thursday Night Meetings: 9:00–10:30 PM, Jardine Room

- January 18, 2018
- January 25, 2018
- February 8, 2018
- February 15, 2018
- February 22, 2018

Immersion Commissioning

Sunday, February 25, 2018 at 9:00 PM Mass, St. Francis Chapel

Immersion Experience Dates (*Immokalee, Cleveland, Louisville*)

Saturday, March 3 – Saturday, March 10, 2018

All immersion participants must be on campus one day prior to departure.

Post-Experience Reflection Gatherings

Thursday, March 15th, 2018 –**post-immersion dinner**

Sunday, March 25th, 2018—**post-immersion retreat**

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