



# USCO System Terms and Conditions

(For Students)

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USCO (UMAP Student Connection Online) is a system used to facilitate UMAP participating universities and students who join UMAP exchange programs in the application and acceptance process.

## TERMS & ACCEPTANCE

Please read the following carefully. By clicking “Agree,” you confirm your acceptance and understanding to the terms and conditions (“Terms of Use”) of this system, including applicable policies which are incorporated herein by reference, along with any amendments/modifications made by USCO at its sole discretion and posted on the system. For the purpose of these Terms of Use, wherever the context so requires, "User" shall mean any natural or legal person who has identified him/herself as an actual student of a UMAP member university and has provided account information while registering on the website as a registered User. Accessing, visiting, using, applying and/or otherwise using this website by the User shall be treated as acceptance of these Terms of Use in entirety. If you have any objection(s) to any of the terms & conditions, please do not use this system.

### 1) USCO System Conditions

#### I. Website Operation

USCO reserves the right to change or alter the Terms as deemed fit. Such change shall be effective immediately from the date of its post on the website. If you continue using the website after the amendments to these Terms of Use, it shall be construed that you have accepted and agreed to such changes.

#### II. Personal Information

USCO respects and strongly believes in protecting the privacy of its Users. We do not encroach on the privacy of our Users. We recommend our users to carefully read our privacy policy for better understanding. Our organization will properly handle personal information of users in accordance with our Privacy Policy.

#### III. Prohibited Actions

Users of this website are prohibited from engaging in the following actions, including those prohibited by other provisions of these terms and conditions.

- (a) False declarations when using this website for account registration.
- (b) Illegitimate use of email addresses, passwords, or other personal information.
- (c) Other actions that may interrupt the operation of this system or interfere with the provision of services.

#### IV. Termination

USCO reserves the right to terminate a user's access to the website if it deems that there has been a breach of these Terms of Use by the user. After the termination, the user shall be barred from using the website in any manner whatsoever. USCO has the liberty to take this step without any prior notice by way of its sole discretion.

## **2) UMAP Program Conditions**

### **I. Acceptance of Placement**

Once you apply to a UMAP program on the USCO system, you agree to:

1. Pay your home/host institution the designated placement fee or program fee covering the full period of your placement unless your tuition fee has been waived in Program A, B, or C
2. Purchase health insurance, if required, by your host institution
3. Take part in all aspects of the program, including orientation and pre/post program evaluations
4. Abide by any additional conditions listed by your host institution
5. Accept your placement as limited to the period specified (an application for extension must be made in writing and is subject to review and approval by your home and host institutions and by the UMAP IS)
6. Permit your official academic records and transcripts from your home institution to be sent to the UMAP International Secretariat (IS) and to your host institution
7. Permit UMAP IS to send your parents or guardians any academic, medical or financial information deemed appropriate by the executive staff of UMAP
8. Allow UMAP IS the right to cancel or alter any placement or amend the conditions of participation should unforeseen circumstances make this advisable
9. Undertake procedures with the host institution for visa application

And understand that:

- UMAP seeks to ensure that benefits and services for UMAP member institutions are provided by cooperating institutions, and UMAP IS shall seek to correct any inadequacies brought to its attention
- UMAP's responsibility to you, the participant, does not extend beyond such endeavors and that UMAP is not liable to any participant for benefits not provided by the participant's home or host institution
- You are responsible for obtaining the necessary documents to apply for a student visa for your host country before departure from your home country
- Course prerequisites at the host institution must be met and that course registration at the participant's host institution is based on the availability of offerings and cannot be guaranteed
- UMAP and your home institution are not responsible for the possible disruption of studies while you are attending your host institution

- UMAP and your home and host institutions cannot guarantee your health and safety while you are studying abroad
- You are responsible for acting prudently and exercising caution and common sense at all times.
- UMAP and your home and host institutions are not responsible for any personal injury, death, and/or loss or damage to property suffered by you during your program or during periods of travel with, and independent of, your UMAP program.
- You may not enroll directly at the host institution in the term that immediately follows your UMAP placement.

## **II. Early Termination by UMAP or Host/Home Institutions**

UMAP, in coordination with the home and host UMAP Coordinator, reserves the right to terminate your participation in a UMAP program at any time if you have been deemed to have violated the host country laws or the home and host institution rules and regulations.