



Due to the processing time length of the Iceland visa for which you will be applying for, SIT asks you to return this form acknowledging your understanding of the following information. SIT will send you visa application instructions during the three months preceding your departure for your program. You are solely responsible for submitting all necessary pre-visa materials to SIT in a timely fashion in order to start the visa process. Failure to do so will delay the visa process not only for you, but for the entire group. Visa processing can take up to 90 days.

Name (*print*): \_\_\_\_\_ Program Title:

### For all travelers, I understand that:

- I alone am responsible for obtaining the appropriate visa in order to participate on my SIT program. I am expected to obtain the necessary visa before I depart for the program and understand that failure to obtain the required visa before the program may result in my inability to participate in the program.
- Applying for another type of visa other than what was instructed by SIT could prevent me from participating in the program.
- I am responsible for obtaining the proper visa which will cover me for the duration of my stay in the country.
- SIT cannot assist students planning to remain in any country for periods longer than the SIT program dates nor can it assist with pre or post program travel.
- The Icelandic Directorate of Immigration may change visa requirements and fees at any time. Before beginning the visa application process, I must verify the current required documents and fees requested by the Directorate as they may differ.
- Issuance of visas is at the sole discretion of the Directorate of Immigration. SIT assumes no responsibility for the application process or if the participant's visa is delayed or denied.
- Participating in international travel during the four months prior to the start of my program has the potential to prevent me from obtaining my required visa and is strongly discouraged due to the lengthy nature of the Icelandic visa process which may take right up to 90 days to process.
- I understand that my enrollment will be withdrawn and I will not be allowed to participate in the program if I have not obtained the required visa prior to arriving on the program.

### For non-US passport holders, I knowledge that:

- It is my responsibility to make myself aware of the requirements pertaining to traveling on a non-US passport. Students traveling on a non-US passport may be subject to different or additional requirements and/or fees for obtaining a visa or meeting other conditions of entry into the country during your program. I will contact the embassy of the country shortly after being offered admissions to the program to confirm visa and/or entry requirements applicable to my country of citizenship and determine next steps while allowing plenty of time to apply.
- I am responsible for making sure I obtain a transit visa for any of the countries that I have layover(s) in.
- Non US passport holders requiring supplemental supporting documents are responsible for notifying their admissions counselor of those needs in a timely fashion.
- Many countries require individuals to apply for visas in person at the relevant embassy or consulate located in their country of citizenship, though not always.
- If the foreign consulate(s) permits non-US passport holders to apply for the required visa from within the United States, applicants are encouraged to do so.
- It is your responsibility to confirm and complete the visa application process particular to your situation, and to keep your admissions counselor informed.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call SIT at: 1-888 272 7881.

**Please complete both sides of this form and return to SIT through the student portal or via email to your Admissions Counselor or by mail to - SIT Study Abroad, 1 Kipling Road, Brattleboro, VT 05302**

**Permanent Mailing Address:** *Some consulates are jurisdictional and your permanent address determines which consulate will process your visa. SIT will prepare visa application supporting documents based on this address, and the consulate will require proof of your residency. We will also mail you any unique visa supporting documents during the three months immediately preceding the start of*

*your program. These documents are necessary for your visa application and you cannot obtain a visa without them. Please note that we cannot provide the supporting documentation early under any circumstances.*

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**Special notes on your individual process** (*travel plans prior to program, non-US passport, etc.*):

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**By providing this information, I confirm my acknowledgement of the aforementioned points and that the information below is current and correct.**

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

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