

International Housing Placement Service, Inc.

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Please attach your **Student Housing Application** photo here Name: First Name Last Name Date of Birth: Male/Female Passport #: Address: Street address City Country Telephone Number Fax Number Email Emergency Contact Information: Relationship Telephone Number Email Address Agent Information: Name: Tel: _____ Company: Fax: City/Country:____ Email: (Students) Name of School you will attend: Major or Field of Study: (Interns) Name of Internship Company: Address: _____ **Housing Preferences:** Accommodations Requested: Option #1 (meals) Option #2 (no meals) Check-Out Date: (Minimum of 8 weeks required or 3 months if applying to Santa Monica/West Side schools) Are children in the home OK? _____ Are animals in the home OK? _____ Flight Information

Date of Arrival: _____ Arrival Time: _____

Flight #: _____ Airline Name: ____ Airport: ____

Do you need airport pick-up?				
Your English Ability: (please circle) EXCELLEN	NT GOOD FAIR POOR			
Other Languages spoken:				
Medical Questionnaire:				
1. Are you in good health?Yes/No				
Yes/No 2. Do you have any allergies, medical concerns or dietary restrictions? Yes/No Yes/No				
If yes, please explain:				
3. Do you take any medication?				
Please List:				
4. Do you smoke cigarettes? (Please note: there is a no smoking policy for all our homestays)				
Please include as much information about yourself as possible.				
Please list your hobbies and interests:				
Describe your family life back home?				
Have you traveled to the US or another country before? Please explain:				
I have read and do understand and agree to be bound by the terms of the individual family I am placed with and the conditions of the IHPS Housing Agreement. I ALSO UNDERSTAND THAT I AM REQUIRED TO GIVE A 30 DAY NOTICE IF I PLAN TO MOVE OUT OF MY HOST'S HOME/MODIFY MY MEAL PROGRAM OR EXTEND MY HOUSING PERIOD. I understand that any violation of IHPS policies or of the family I am placed with, regarding medical concerns, alcohol and/or other drugs will result in immediate termination of this contract and no refund of paid housing fees will be expected. The consumption or possession of alcoholic beverages by anyone under 21, or serving them to anyone under 21, in a family home is expressly prohibited. I certify that all the information contained herein is true and correct.				
Participant's Signature	Parent/Guardian Signature if applicant is under the age of 18 years of age:			
Date:	Date:			
Signature:	Signature:			
Printed Name:	Printed Name:			



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GENERAL INFORMATION AND CONDITIONS:

Participant Contract

REVISED 2024 International Housing Placement Service hereafter called IHPS is commissioned by you to act in your best interest as your agent.

- 1) APPLICATION PROCESS: <u>Application Placement Fee is Non-Refundable.</u> All Participants must fill out the Application Form in full. Reservations are not confirmed until the Application and Housing Deposit have been received.
 - College level Student or Visitor: \$385.00 Application Fee plus Deposit of \$100 (Total \$475)
 - Interns & High school level Students: \$475 Application Fee plus \$100 Deposit (Total \$575).
 - Late Fee: A late fee of \$75 will apply if Participant applies to our housing program less than 2 weeks prior to arrival.

<u>MODES OF PAYMENT</u>: Wires, Credit Cards, Personal Check (if drawn on a US bank account) and International Money Orders are accepted.

- All Credit Card paying Participants are required to pay an additional 3.7% fee
- \$25 returned check fee for non-sufficient funds
- \$20 Wire Fee
- 2) HOUSING FEES: Once housing placement is confirmed, IHPS will send an invoice to Participant listing weekly housing fees. These fees must be paid prior to Participant's check-in to Homestay.
 - Long-term Participants are billed every 12 weeks, or if approved in advanced, every 8 weeks. Students paying their housing fees every 8 or 12 weeks, MUST LEAVE A CREDIT CARD ON FILE WITH IHPS. STUDENTS CREDIT CARD WILL BE BILLED AUTOMATICALLY. It is the Participant's responsibility to keep IHPS updated with their current contact information. IHPS will charge a late fee for extension payments that are not paid on time.
- 3) CONFIRMATION OF HOUSING: IHPS Homestays will make every effort to confirm housing placement within 2-3 weeks of a Participant's arrival if the Application Form and Application Fees are received 45 days prior to arrival. If IHPS does not receive the proper information and housing fees as stated previously, IHPS will inform the Participant as soon as placement has been confirmed. IHPS will not be held responsible for any motel/hotel housing and meal charges that a Participant incurs while waiting for their housing placement to be confirmed by IHPS.
- 4) HOUSING and Options: Participants are placed in a private room, unless otherwise requested. Housing is with Hosts who speak English; a one or two-member head of household; with or without children and

animals. Participants can choose either a Homestay with meals or a Home Share without meals. **All rooms** are for single use only. At no time is a Participant allowed to have any overnight guests without prior permission from IHPS and their Host. All Participants will be placed in housing that is less than a 9 miles radius of intended school or internship.

Option #1 Homestay with Meals: Breakfast is Participant prepared. Breakfast is continental breakfast which usually includes cereal, toast, fruit, coffee/tea. IHPS Host(s) is required to cook dinner at least 4 nights of the week. The other 3 nights, Participants will prepare their own dinner from a left-over or with other food the Host purchases.

**IHPS encourages Participants to purchase additional "snack" or lunch items for themselves. Lunch is not included, and if desired, shall be at an additional cost to Participant.

Option #2 Home Share: No Meals included. Participant must purchase their own food. Kitchen privileges and "light cooking" is allowed. Some hosts may not allow use of stove while they are not in the home.

- 5) FLIGHT INFORMATION: It is the responsibility of the Participant to communicate and verify anticipated arrival flight details with IHPS at least two (2) weeks before arrival
- **6) Optional AIRPORT PICK UP:** Private driver. "Meet and Greet". Additional fee and dependent on arrival airport. Fees vary by airport.
- 7) INSURANCE: By signing this Agreement you agree that IHPS and its Representatives/ Housing Coordinators and Hosts are not liable for any damages, injuries, and death to people or goods. Each Participant is responsible for providing insurance for such risks. **NOTE** Many of the schools/colleges have a policy which requires purchase of insurance upon enrollment into their educational programs.
- 8) VISAS: Obtaining the proper visas and permits for your education/internship is the responsibility of each Participant.
- 9) CANCELLATION: Cancellations must be submitted in writing and received by IHPS. If a participant cancels less than 2 weeks prior to their arrival in the U.S., the application fee, deposit, and first month's housing fee are non-refundable. Refunds of any additional housing fees, minus a 10% administration fee, will only be given if the student cancels at least 45 days before departing from their home country. The application fee and deposit are non-refundable under any circumstances.
- 10) TERMINATION "Termination" refers to any cancellations made after the participant has arrived and begun their housing contract. Termination notices must be submitted in writing and received by IHPS. All participants are committed to a minimum of 3 months of housing. Additionally, participants are required to provide at least 30 days' notice before terminating their housing arrangement.

A termination fee of at least 10% of the total housing fees will be applied to any terminations after arrival. This fee is non-negotiable and will be deducted from any refundable amount. Please note that any payments made to the host family are non-refundable. Furthermore, the application and housing deposit fees are non-refundable under any circumstances. Refunds of any remaining balance after deductions will be processed and returned within 45 days.

- 11) CHANGE OF HOME STAY: IHPS reserves the right to change a Homestay for any reason. If IHPS finds a family to be in violation of their "Host Family Standards of Conduct", IHPS will move the Participant to another suitable home once one has been located and Participant will not be charged another application fee.
- 12): COMPLETION OF HOMESTAY Due to the need to facilitate arrangements for new placements, and for the planning associated with our housing process, Participants are required to give a 30 day written notice to IHPS if they intend to check-out of their Homestay. Santa Monica/ West LA area Participants are required to give notice after 3 months of homestay, and extensions must be 12 weeks in length. If Participant does not give adequate notice a full month's housing will be charged to Participant's account.
- 13) MODIFICATION OF MEAL/NO MEAL PROGRAM If Participant would like to change their meal program option, a 30 day notice is required. Please note: IHPS cannot guarantee that the Host will be in agreement of the change. If the Host is not in agreement, and IHPS needs to move the Participant to another Home, Participant will be charged a \$200 Transfer Fee.
- **14) HOUSING EXTENSION_All housing extensions must go through IHPS Homestays.** If Host and Participant are in agreement of extension, IHPS will bill Participant for the extended period and continue making payments to the Host on Participant's behalf.
- **At no time whatsoever, is a Participant to pay his or her Host family directly or enter into their own financial agreement with the Host family. If IHPS finds out that such agreement has been made, both Host and Participant will be removed from our Homestay program and no refund will be expected.
- **15)** <u>Vacation Rate:</u> Participants who choose to go back to their country or vacation during winter or summer break and choose to leave their belongings in the homestay are required to pay a vacation rate. This rate is typically the no meal rate listed; however, some hosts may agree to a lower rate. Participants are required to negotiate their rate on their own behalf. No expectation of returning to the same homestay if a vacation rate is not paid for by Participant. If Participant requires a new homestay when they return, they will be charged another homestay placement fee.
- **16) IHPS HOUSING PRICES**: IHPS has the right to change prices due to housing or tax increases or other unforeseen increases in costs. Compensation will not be made for US public holidays during your placement or any vacation periods.
- 17) SECURITY DEPOSIT: A security deposit of \$100.00 is to be collected from each Participant by IHPS, and can be retained for up to 45 days after departure. The security deposit can and will be used for any additional days a Participant stays in a host's home, outstanding telephone charges, breakage/damage and/or cleaning costs incurred by the student. It can also be used to cover any bank charges, credit card fees AND late payment fees accrued. For Participants who stay in housing over three months, the security deposit is used to clean the room. To ensure return of the full amount, please settle all financial responsibilities with IHPS and hosts directly. Please make sure to contact the IHPS office with your forwarding address and request in writing the deposit to be refunded and forwarded. Your security deposit is non-refundable if you "Terminate" your housing agreement once begun, OR if you "Cancel" your housing application less than 2 weeks prior to your arrival in the US. (Please see items #9 and #10
- 18) REFUNDS: Please see items #9 and #10

19) TRANSPORTATION: It is the responsibility of the Participant to provide their own transportation throughout the duration of their stay.

20) AGREEMENT AND RELEASE: I, the undersigned have read, understand and accept all the terms and conditions of this contract which are listed above on this Application Form. I fully accept the terms of the responsibility, refunds, extensions and charges as stated under the heading, "General Information and Conditions," and I agree to assume any and all risk for any loss, injury, damage, accident, delay or expense resulting from my housing placement. I acknowledge that I do not hold IHPS responsible for loss of any type or nature from any cause including (without limitation) acts of God, wars, strikes, incidents of politically motivated violence, sickness or quarantine, government restrictions or regulations, except in the case of willful or gross negligence of IHPS including any claim regarding or concerning the selection of or from any act or omission by any homestay host family, bus company, landlord, taxi service, hotel, restaurant, school firm, or other agency, company individual..

I understand that I am responsible for exercising due caution and common sense at all times, if I become ill IHPS may take action, as it considers necessary. I indemnify IHPS its agents, employees, and its Host(s) and hold them harmless for any financial liability or obligation which I personally incur, or injury or damage to myself and the person or property of others. IHPS reserves the right to make changes in my housing arrangements. I acknowledge acceptance of the terms of the refund policy as stated in the "General Information and Conditions.

21) I agree that any dispute under this Agreement will be filed in the Northwest District of the Superior Court for the County of Los Angeles and will be determined under California law.

Participant's Signature Date:	Parent/Guardian Signature if applicant is under the age of 18 years of age: Date:
Signature:	Signature:
Printed Name:	Printed Name:



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Student Standards of Conduct

IHPS expects Participants to adhere to the following rules while living with their Host. Hosts can and are encouraged by IHPS to add additional house rules at any time.

The undersigned accepts and agrees to the following Standards of Conduct while living with their Host:

- 1) I agree to abide by my Host's house rules at all times.
- 2) I agree to communicate openly with my Host especially in regard to any issues I have with my placement.
- 3) I will respect the privacy and personal belongings of my Host at all times.
- 5) I will not smoke inside or outside of my Host's home. Failure to follow this policy can be grounds for dismissal from IHPS's Housing program and no refund will be expected.
- 6) I will not use my Host's telephone, fax, computer, Internet Service or any telecommunication device without permission from my Host(s) and the use of an international phone card or equivalent type card if needed
- 7) I will be financially responsible for any damage to the Host's property arising or resulting from my stay in the Host's home.
- 8) I will not use illegal drugs, or drink alcohol, while staying with my Host.
- 9) I will not borrow anything that belongs to the Host unless I have prior permission to do so.
- 10) I agree to be professional, courteous, and respectful in all my communication with my Host or their invitees at all times.
- 11) I agree to keep my room and bathroom tidy and clean up after myself in the kitchen and other living areas of my host's home
- 12) I also understand that I am not allowed to bring any overnight guests (including family members) to my Host's home before or during my stay without prior permission from my Host and IHPS Homestays.

IHPS reserves the right to terminate without compensation a Participant's housing arrangement if the student is found to have behaved with gross misconduct, violated "Standards of Conduct", or misrepresented themselves on their housing application in any way. Gross misconduct includes: theft, abuse of property, abuse of persons, alcohol and drug abuse, failure to adhere to local laws, property rules and regulations. Also, failure to disclose mental illness or other pertinent medical conditions that may have an adverse affect on host family will also result in termination without compensation.

Accepted and Agreed,

Participant's Signature	Parent/Guardian Signature if applicant is under the age of 18 years of age:
Date: Signature:	Date: Signature:
Printed Name:	Printed Name:



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IHPS Credit Card Authorization Form

For Participants who wi	sh to pay for their housing by	y credit card there is a 3.7%	processing fee.
I	hereby author	rize International Housing P	lacement, Inc
Cardholder's N	Name		
(IHPS Homestays) to charge r	my credit card account for the	e following fees and the 3.79	% processing fee:
	n fee S100 Deposit	S175-\$185 Airy *NYC, NJ, LAX to San	oort Transfer ta Barbara Additional
\$75 la	te fee (applicable if applying	g less than 14 days prior to a	rrival)
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	\$400 One Semester	○\$800 Two Semesters	
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