Dear Study Abroad Ancient Maya Student (ANAR 155S & 100):

Welcome! On behalf of the Department of Anthropology and UCSD Summer Session, I would like to thank you for your interest in the eight (or 12) unit study abroad course to be held in Mexico, Guatemala, and Honduras, 16 August - 1 September, 2014. During this year’s course, we will visit 28 ancient Maya cities in the rainforests of Central America and Mexico’s Yucatan Peninsula. This is the eleventh year of the program at UCSD, and it promises to be an exciting one.

The following pages and a separate attachment contain information that should answer most of the questions you may have about the program. Please remember that it is open to UCSD students, students from other colleges or universities, family members, and friends. This may be the only course you take with your parent!

If you have any questions that are not answered here, please feel free to contact me by e-mail at: gbraswell@ucsd.edu. I also would be happy to meet with you at UCSD if you have any particular concerns.

The rest of this attachment contains a program itinerary and a complete application package. The application, which should be completed and either brought or mailed to me at the Department of Anthropology, consists of:

(1) An enrollment form (1 page);
(2) An application essay (1 page) explaining why you want to come on the course;
(3) Two liability forms (3 pages total);
(4) A medical form (1 page) to be filled out by your physician; and
(5) A Program Fee agreement form (1 page).

The separate attachment contains a course handbook, which explains a lot about what we will do everyday, what to expect, and what to bring to Mexico and Central America.

I look forward to seeing you in Mexico, Guatemala, and Honduras!

Sincerely,

Prof. Geoffrey E. Braswell
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La Jolla, CA 92093-0532
ART & CITIES OF THE MAYA – 2015
ANAR 155s: Study Abroad
Ancient Mesoamerica

8 to 12 credits of UCSD Summer Session Course taught by
Professor Geoffrey E. Braswell
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gbraswel@ucsd.edu

Trip Itinerary*

August 17  All day visit to Kaqchikel capital Iximche and Lake Atitlan. Night: Antigua.
August 18  Visit National Museum and Kaminaljuyu in Guatemala City, drive through the mountains to Copan, Honduras. Night: Copan.
August 19  All day visit of beautiful Copan, two museums & Sepulturas. Night: Copan.
August 20  Drive to Quirigua, Guatemala, and on to scenic Rio Dulce. Night: Rio Dulce.
August 22  All day at spectacular Tikal. Night: colonial island of Flores.
August 23  Go by boat to see the strange stelae of Seibal and eerie rainforest. Night: Palenque, Mexico.
August 24  See the gem of Palenque and swim at the waterfall of Misol Ha. Night: Palenque.
August 25  Spend a glorious day at Yaxchilan and Bonampak on the Usumacinta river. Night: Palenque.
August 26  See the fabulous frieze at Balamku and the great lost city of Calakmul. Night: Xpuhil.
August 28  Experience the architecture of the Chenes Zone: Hochob, Tabasqueno, & Santa Rosa Xtampak. Night: Uxmal.
August 29  Visit the exquisite sites of the Puuc: Uxmal, Labna, Kabah, & Sayil. Night: colonial Merida.
August 30  Sail in the Gulf of Mexico, see the northernmost Maya city of Dzibilchaltun plain & swim in a cenote. Night: colonial Merida.
August 31  Spend day at fabulous Chichen Itza and the last Maya city of Mayapan. Farewell dinner. Night: Colonial Merida.
September 1  Transfer to Merida airport & fly home to California!

*Preliminary itinerary is subject to change, if conditions warrant.
**Ancient Mesoamerica—Art & Cities of the Maya**

*For the Adventuresome!*

**August 16 - September 1, 2015**

- Explore 27 ancient Maya cities in three countries dating from 800 B.C. to A.D. 1540 including: Tikal, Copan, Chichen Itza, Palenque, Yaxchilan, Uxmal, Calakmul, Bonampak, Quirigua, Yaxha, Topoxte, Iximche, Mayapan, Dzibilchaltun, Sayil, Labna, Kabah, Becan, Chicanna, Seibal, Xpuhil, Hormiguero, Balamku, Hochob, Santa Rosa Xtampak, Iximche, and Tabasqueno.
- Visit beautiful colonial cities: La Antigua, Merida, and Flores.
- See Guatemala, Honduras, and Mexico!
- Professor lectures on Maya archaeology, ancient art and writing systems, contemporary indigenous society, and much more.
- Enjoy true Yucatecan cuisine and delicious seafood!

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**Ancient Mesoamerica – Art & Cities of the Maya**

**Program Fees**

**Undergraduate and Graduate Students**

**Payment and Deadlines:**

Program fees for Hotel Rooms, Ground Transportation, Breakfasts & Lunches, Admissions ….$2495

Program fee of $2495 due *no later than* April 13, 2015.

Payment of Summer Session tuition* & campus fees due *according to their schedule.*

*Tuition is for either eight or 12 units of credit. You will be billed for Summer Session tuition and campus fees on your regular account when you register. You must pay tuition, in addition to the Program Fee, in order to participate.*
2015 UCSD Summer Session Enrollment Form
Ancient Mesoamerica – Art and Cities of the Maya – ANAR 155s

Complete sections 1-12. Please type or print clearly. Limited space available. Submit application to:
Dr. Geoffrey E. Braswell, Dept. of Anthropology, UCSD, 9500 Gilman Drive, MC 0532, La Jolla, CA 92093-0532.

1. STUDENT INFORMATION

UCSD Student ID#___________________________

(Full legal name) Last __________________ First ______ Middle __________

Address ____________________________________________________________________________________

City/State/Zip ______________________________________________________________________________

Day Phone ______ Evening Phone ______ E-Mail Address ____________________________

Birthday ___ / ___ / ______

Other Names on File at UCSD __________________________________________________________________

Male____ Female____

2. COURSE AND PROGRAM FEE (August 16-September 1, 2015)

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Program Fee: Hotels, two meals/day, ground transportation, admissions, subject to change. You must also pay tuition & campus fees for 8 or 12 units of UCSD Summer Session credit. $2495.00

3. Statement of Purpose: Attach a one-page essay describing why you want to participate.

4. Physician’s Report of Medical Examination: A form will be provided. Mail to the address on this form. Your physician must indicate you are in good health to participate.

5. Do you have any physical limitations that may affect your participation in this program?

No___ Yes__ If yes, please describe your special needs and submit with this enrollment form.

6. Do you have any dietary concerns that will affect your ability to participate in this program?

No___ Yes__ If yes, please describe your special needs and submit with this enrollment form.

7. Student Directory: Yes I would like my name and contact information released to other students in the Program? Yes___ No___ I do not want my contact information released.

8. Travel Documents: Participants are responsible for obtaining and bringing their passports, and, if required (for some non-US citizens) for obtaining the proper visas. Participants are advised that international travel is subject to both political conditions that are beyond control of the University.

9. Rules & Regulations: I have read and understand the above rules for the 2015 Summer Session Anthropology Maya Program regarding the program fee and tuition. I understand I am responsible for travel arrangements not included in the program, including all flights.

10. Student Status: (Check One)

☐ UCSD Undergraduate
☐ UCSD Graduate
☐ Teacher Education Program
☐ Attend other UC______
☐ Attend 2-year College:

☐ Attend other 4-year College or University:

☐ I’m not currently a student

11. How did you hear about the Maya study abroad program?

12. Payment:

Please wait until you have heard from Dr. Braswell that you have been accepted into the program. At that point, you will be asked to pay the Program Fee of $2495 in the form of a check made out to UC Regents and given to Ms. Theresa Blankenship in the Department of Anthropology, Room 210, SSB. Payment must be received by 13 April, 2015. You are also responsible for registering for the courses and paying the campus based fee and per unit tuition for 8 or 12 units of Summer Session credits. If you do not pay tuition and these fees, UCSD will drop you from the program. Finally, you must purchase an airline ticket, as described in the Program Handbook. There will be no reimbursement of any portion of the Program Fee of $2495 once payment has been received, unless the program is cancelled.

I have read and understand this entire application, especially that reimbursement of the Program Fee, in part or in full, will not be made.

Signature ___________________________ Date _____

X ___________________________ Date _____
WAIVER OF LIABILITY, ASSUMPTION OF RISK, AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT

Participant’s Name: _______________________________________________  
(Please Print)

Waiver: In consideration of being permitted to participate in a UCSD Summer Session sponsored Travel Study Program, hereinafter referred to as “The Program,” I hereby certify that I understand and agree with the following terms of my participation in The Program. I for myself, my heirs, personal representatives or assigns, do hereby release, waive, and covenant not to sue The Regents of the University of California, its officers, employees, volunteers, and agents from liability from any and all claims including the negligence of The Regents of the University of California, its officers, employees, and agents, resulting in personal injury, accidents or illnesses (including death), and property loss arising from, but not limited to, participation in The Program.

_______________________________________  _________________  
Signature of Participant (Student)  Date  
ANAR 155s & ANAR 100, Summer Session 2015  Travel Study Program (Mexico & Central America)

Assumption of Risks: Participation in The Program carries with it certain inherent risks that cannot be eliminated regardless of the care taken to avoid injuries. The specific risks vary from one activity to another, but the risks range from: (1) minor injuries such as scratches, bruises, and sprains; (2) major injuries such as eye injury or loss of sight, joint, or back injuries, heart attacks, and concussions; to 3) catastrophic injuries including paralysis and death. I have read the pre-departure material and I understand that while representatives of UCSD Summer Session will make every effort to assist me in the event of emergency, responsibility for my safety and welfare is mine alone. Moreover, I accept any and all financial burdens that may result from such injuries or accidents related to my participation in The Program.

I have read the previous paragraph and I know, understand, and appreciate these and other risks that are inherent in The Program. I hereby assert that my participation is voluntary, informed, and that I knowingly assume all such risks.

Indemnification and Hold Harmless: I also agree to INDEMNIFY AND HOLD The Regents of the University of California HARMLESS from any and all claims, actions, suits, procedures, costs, expenses, damages, and liabilities, including attorney’s fees brought as a result of my involvement in The Program and to reimburse them for any such expenses incurred.

Severability: The undersigned further expressly agrees that the foregoing waiver and assumption of risks agreement is intended to be as broad and inclusive as is permitted by the law of the State of California and that if any portion thereof is held invalid, it is agreed that the balance shall, notwithstanding, continue in full legal force and effect.

Acknowledgment of Understanding: I have read this waiver of liability, assumption of risk, and indemnity agreement, fully understand its terms, and understand that I am giving up substantial rights, including my right to sue. I acknowledge that I am signing the agreement freely and voluntarily, and intend by my signature to be a complete and unconditional release of all liability to the greatest extent allowed by law for all claims and demands or liabilities which I or my heirs, representatives, executors, administrators, or any other persons acting on my behalf may have against The Regents by reason of any acts of war, armed conflicts, terrorism, other civil uprisings, accident, illness, or injury or other consequences arising or resulting directly or indirectly from my participation in The Program and occurring during The Program, any air flights or other travel associated with The Program, or any time subsequent thereto.

It is the intention of the undersigned by this instrument, to exempt and relieve The Regents of the University of California from liability for personal injury, property damage, or wrongful death.

_______________________________________  _________________  
Signature of Participant (Student)  Date  
Birthdate (mo/day/yr)  
_______________________________________  ____________________  
Please indicate person to notify in case of emergency:  Telephone  
Relationship  Address
DEPARTMENT OF ANTHROPOLOGY AND SUMMER SESSION
AGREEMENT TO RELEASE THE DEPARTMENT OF ANTHROPOLOGY, ITS FACULTY AND STAFF,
AND AFFILIATED PROGRAMS FROM LIABILITY

1. I ________________________, voluntarily agree to participate in the University of California, San Diego (herein (Name of Student Releasor) after referred to as UCSD) Department of Anthropology and Summer Session Program in Mexico, Guatemala, and Honduras (UCSD courses ANAR 155s, ANAR 100, & ANTH 198) to be held from 16 August to 1 September, 2015.

2. I am aware that participation in the event/activity described above in Paragraph 1 may be hazardous. I also acknowledge that my participation in the event/activity is voluntary, and that I am participating with full knowledge of the danger involved. I hereby agree to accept any and all risks of injury or death, and verify this statement by placing my initials here: ___________________.

   (Initials of Student Releasor)

3. I accept all financial burdens for any physical mishaps, accidents, or medical conditions that may arise as a result of participating in the event/activity described in Paragraph 1, and agree that I, my assignees, heirs, legal representatives, distributees, and guardians will not make a claim against, sue, or attach the property of UCSD or any of its agents, officials, employees, or volunteers for costs related to medical or psychiatric treatment, emergency evacuation, or repatriation of my mortal remains. By signing this release form I ________________________, agree to accept all such potential financial burdens.

   (Name of Student Releasor)

4. As consideration for being permitted by UCSD, through its authorized agent, or through one of its affiliated organizations, to participate in the event described above in Paragraph 1, I ________________________, hereby agree (Name of Student Releasor) that I, my assignees, heirs, distributees, guardians, and legal representatives will not make a claim against, sue, or attach the property of UCSD or any of its agents, officials, employees, for injury or damage resulting from the negligence or other acts, howsoever caused, by any employee, agent, guest or invitee, volunteer or contractor of UCSD or any of its affiliated organizations as a result of my participation in the event/activity described above in Paragraph 1. I further hereby release UCSD, any of their agents, officials, employees, volunteers, or affiliated organizations from all actions, claims, or demands that I, my assignees, heirs, distributees, guardians, and legal representatives now have or may hereafter have for injury or damage resulting from my participation in the event/activity described above in Paragraph 1.

5. I accept all financial burdens for legal representation that I may require as a result of participating in the event/activity described in Paragraph 1, and I agree that I, ________________________, my assignees, heirs, legal representatives, distributees, and guardians will not make a claim against, sue, or attach the property of UCSD or any of its agents, officials, employees, or volunteers for legal costs related to or incurred as a result of my participation in the event/activity described in Paragraph 1.

6. I agree not to transport, buy, use, sell or otherwise engage in the traffic or consumption of illegal substances while participating in the event/activity in Paragraph 1. By placing my initials here, I agree to maintain U.S. Government standards of a Drug Free Work place while participating in the event/activity described in Paragraph 1: ________________.

   (Initials of Student Releasor)
7. The undersigned hereby authorizes the Regents of the University of California and their agents to photograph, videotape, audio record, televise, duplicate and/or transfer to any present or future technology images and/or recordings of __________________________ while a participant in the event/activity described in Paragraph 1. I agree that the Regents of the University of California, its authorized agents, employees, and assignees may use the photographs, videotapes, and/or audio recording prepared there from, to reproduce, exhibit, publish, or distribute in such a manner as they deem fit. No compensation will be paid for this use.

I HAVE CAREFULLY READ THIS AGREEMENT AND FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS CONTENTS. I AM AWARE THAT THIS IS A RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND A CONTRACT BETWEEN MYSELF AND UCSD AND/OR ITS AFFILIATED ORGANIZATIONS, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF ANTHROPOLOGY AND SUMMER SESSION. I SIGN THIS AGREEMENT OF MY OWN FREE WILL.

Executed at____________________, ____________________, __________________, on ________________, 2015.

(City) (State) (Country) (Month/Day)

STUDENT RELEASOR

______________________________
(Print Name)

______________________________
(Signature)

WITNESS

I certify that __________________________ acknowledged in my presence that __________________________ read and fully understood the meaning and consequences of the foregoing release, and signed it in my presence.

Executed at____________________, ____________________, __________________, on ________________, 2015.

(City) (State) (Country) (Month/Day)

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(Print Name of Witness)

______________________________
(Signature of Witness)

______________________________
(Typed or printed name and address)

Phone Number: ( ) _____________
DEPARTMENT OF ANTHROPOLOGY AND SUMMER SESSION
AGREEMENT TO PAY ALL PROGRAM FEES AND TUITION UPON REGISTRATION

The Summer Session courses ANAR 155S & ANAR 100, Study Abroad: Ancient Mesoamerica has an associated program fee of $2495. This special fee pays for hotels; ground transportation in private vehicles and on boats; all breakfasts and lunches as well as two dinners; and admission to all the archaeological sites, museums, and attractions we will see during the course. It does not include Summer Session tuition and fees.

I understand that when my application (consisting of an application form and essay, two liability waivers, a medical form, and this agreement form) is approved, I must pay the program fee of $2495. Payment may be made by check made out to “University of California Regents.” The check must be delivered to Ms. Theresa Blankenship in the Department of Anthropology (210 SSB or by mail to the above address) by April 13, 2015.

Upon approval of my application, I will be cleared for registration and may do so online. After being accepted into the program and paying the special program fee, I understand that there will be no reimbursement, partial or complete, of the program fee of $2495 if I later decide to drop out of the study abroad program.

I have read and understand this document.

STUDENT SIGNATURE:____________________________________ DATE:_____________, 2015

PRINTED NAME:___________________________________________
This person is an applicant for a two-week study abroad program in Guatemala, Mexico, and Honduras offered by UCSD. The program requires visiting archaeological sites, some of which are at high altitude (6000 ft) or in hot (95°F) and humid environments. Students may walk up to 5 miles per day. No hiking or carrying of heavy loads is required, but students will need to carry water and personal effects. All the sites are official parks open to tourists. Please note that Mexico, Guatemala, & Honduras do not provide disability access as required in the U.S.A. by the Americans with Disabilities Act. Moreover, no ADA accommodations will be provided by UCSD to students while traveling in Mexico, Guatemala, or Honduras.

Physician’s Report of Medical Examination: Please check the items below if they are considered ABNORMAL. Indicate under “Remarks” the pertinent details and your impression of their importance.

A. Standard Physical Examination
   _______ Past History
   _______ Present History

B. Special Attention Areas
   _______ Past History
   _______ Present History
   
   ____Ears and Sinus
   ____Respiratory System
   ____Cardiovascular System
   ____Physical Fitness
   ____Life Threatening Allergies, Asthma, and Emphysema
   ____Emotional and Psychological Stability
   ____Other

Physicians Remarks:

______________________________________________________________________________________________

____ Approval (I find no conditions that I consider incompatible with this program.)
____ Disapproval (The applicant has conditions that, in my opinion, constitute unacceptable hazards)

(Please Print)

Physician’s Name: ___________________________ Phone (Business): _______________________
Address: ___________________________ City/State/Zip: ___________________________

Physician’s Signature: ___________________________
Date: ___________________________