

International Mission Trip Policy

International chiropractic mission trips provide students an additional opportunity for growth and new experiences as they work side-by-side with field doctors serving and sharing chiropractic with disadvantaged, underserved populations globally.

Cleveland University-Kansas City has agreed to allow eligible students to participate in CUKC faculty supervised chiropractic mission trips coordinated and sponsored by the Christian Chiropractic Association (CCA) and Caring Partners International (CPI).

Cleveland University-Kansas City's authorization for a student to participate in an international mission trip with the CCA/CPI should not in any way be mistaken as an official endorsement of the CCA/CPI. Participation by any student is completely voluntary and in no way a requirement of the University.

Program Details:

- CUKC students will be accompanying representatives of the CCA/CPI Short-Term Mission Trip Teams on mission trips fully coordinated and organized by the CCA/CPI.
- Details regarding dates, travel arrangements, costs, and other travel related requirements will be provided by the sponsoring organizations.
- Mission trips are fully and appropriately authorized by the host country's governmental/medical authority as attested to by the sponsoring organization.
- A licensed University faculty member shall be present to directly supervise students.
- Trips will be scheduled during the University's Spring Break or trimester breaks.
- Clinical services provided by students will include only those procedures & treatments deemed appropriately in line with those taught within the University curriculum.
- Students will be covered under by University's professional liability insurance. Additional personal travel insurance may be required and will be the student's responsibility.
- Vaccinations may be required.
- Students will be solely responsible for all costs related to and incurred while on a mission trip. Mission trips are not eligible for financial aid.
- The University will promote eligible scheduled trips through the Student Services department, through digital signage, and through student announcements.
- Cleveland University-Kansas City will not receive any financial benefit from this program.

Eligibility requirements:

- Students will be in good standing with the University both academically and clinically.
- Students must be enrolled in CLI 714 or higher to be eligible to participate in providing any type of patient care or treatment while on a mission trip.
- Students in lower trimesters, not yet enrolled in CLI 714, may also apply for participation, but agree to participate in an observational/humanitarian capacity only.



Students not enrolled in CLI 714 or higher, shall not be directly involved in providing patient care/treatment at any time.

- Students will complete a CUKC application process and be approved by the University prior to obtaining authorization to attend a mission trip.
- Students may also need to complete additional paperwork/application with the CCA or CPI. Students should be aware that the CCA is a faith based organization and they may have additional requirements above and beyond the CUKC eligibility requirements.

Authorized Students:

- Students acknowledge that participation in a mission trip is completely voluntary and in no way required by the University.
- Students will act in an ethical and professional manner representing the University and the chiropractic profession with the highest of standards.
- Students agree to comply with all policies and regulations set forth by the CCA/CPI Short Term Mission Trip Team.
- Students agree they will not engage in the delivery of any type of patient care/treatment unless directly supervised by a licensed member of the University faculty.
- Students who participate in a mission trip will abide by the University attendance policy. Students acknowledge that any missed classroom or clinic time will not be excused.
- Students will have arranged for appropriate care of their CUKC Health Center patients during their absence.

Application Process:

- The application process may include some or all of the following: written application, a letter of intent, clinical administrative interview, and clinician/faculty recommendation.
- Applications will be available through Student Services.
- Students will submit completed application documents to Student Services.
- The clinical administrative team will review all applications. Approved applications will be forwarded to the CCA/CPI Short Term Mission Team.
- Those students who receive approval from clinical administration may also be required to complete an additional online application/informational form for the CCA/CPI.

Considerations:

- Students will not receive any type of academic or clinical credit toward graduation.
- Upon receiving University approval, students will be responsible for making all required arrangements related to the mission trip with the CCA/CPI.
- Students are personally responsible for any and all costs related to the mission trip.
- By completing and signing the application, students agree to personally accept all liability of any medical, personal injury, and/or commercial loss liabilities thus agreeing to hold Cleveland University-Kansas City free of any such liability.



Standards of Conduct:

Students will uphold the highest of professional, personal, and ethical standards and behaviors at all times. Students participating in mission trips understand that they will continue to be bound to the University's prescribed Standards of Conduct as stated in the University Catalog including:

- Students will not, at any time, represent themselves as a licensed doctor.
- Providing any type of care/treatment without the direct authorization and supervision of a licensed representative of the University's clinical faculty will be considered misconduct.
- Using any type of unapproved or unauthorized clinical techniques, procedures, supports, supplies, instruments, Dx procedures, etc. will also be considered misconduct.

The above may result in immediate removal of the student from clinic/classes until an investigation can be completed followed by possible sanctions ranging from verbal reprimand to probation to suspension or dismissal. This may limit a student's ability to graduate, obtain a professional license, or obtain Federal Student Financial Aid.

