

2017 Cross-Cultural Learning Experience Student Ministry Application Form

This paper copy is for personal purposes only; an online application is required for participation.

Contact Information

Full Name as it would appear on your passport or birth certificate
(This is very important for making flight reservations so print clearly and legibly.)

First: _____ Middle: _____ Last: _____

E-mail: _____

Cell#: _____ Home#: _____

Date of Birth (MM/DD/YR): ____/____/____ Grade (present): _____

Check one: ☐ Male ☐ Female

Home Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Father's Name: _____ Mother's Name: _____

Father's Email: _____

Mother's Email: _____

Father's Cell#: _____ Mother's Cell#: _____

Emergency Contact: _____ Contact #: _____

Relationship to applicant: _____

For Cross-Cultural Learning Experiences, **domestic air travel will require a government issued photo ID and international travel will require a passport that is valid for at least 6 months after the date of departure** and has at least one blank page in it.

Do you have: ☐ Driver's License; ☐ Valid Passport ☐ Other, please indicate what form:

CCLE Choices

After prayerfully considering each Cross-Cultural Learning Experience, please *indicate your top two choices*. (NOTE: If you are a middle school or high school student applying for a 101 cross-cultural experience as a junior leader, please indicate this in the explanation for your choice).

After reading your completed application and after much prayer, our student ministry team will select whether or not you will participate in a CCLE and which team you will be placed on. Please note that we reserve the right to place you on either team for which you have indicated availability.

Choice One: _____

Choice Two: _____

If you'd like, please indicate a maximum of two people you'd like to be on a team with:

1) _____

2) _____

*It is not guaranteed you will be placed on a team together, but it will be taken into consideration

Reflection and Response

Please answer the following thoughtfully and honestly. Your answers are a chance for us to get to know you and to prayerfully consider the best place for you. We encourage you to answer in a way that reflects who you really are rather than trying to say the right thing.

A. Share about yourself:

1. Is this your first Grace Chapel Cross-Cultural Learning Experience?

☐ yes ☐ no

If yes, what other GC Missions Experiences have you participated in and what is one thing you learned from each?

2. Why are you applying for a Cross-Cultural Learning Experience this year?

3. What is one strength and one challenge of yours, and how could this CCLE help you grow you in those areas?

B. Share about your faith:

1. Was there a time when you wondered if God was really there? Describe that time.
2. How would you share your story of faith with someone who doesn't believe in God or follow Jesus?
3. You will be asked to share your faith in various ways on your CCLE. Some will be asked to give their faith story. Others may be asked to pray aloud for another person in need. How comfortable are you with doing this? If you aren't yet comfortable, are you willing to learn and grow in this area prior to your CCLE? Why or why not?

C. Share about some of your experiences:

1. How might going on a Cross-Cultural Learning Experience help you become a better disciple (follower of Jesus)?

2. What experiences have you had with people who are culturally different than you? Describe one way you were challenged and one thing you learned through those interactions.

3. Cross-Cultural Learning Experiences often involve circumstances that are quite different than that to which you are accustomed. It's likely that you will be exposed to living conditions that are more uncomfortable than your life at home. It's important for you to think about how you handle these situations outside your comfort zone.

NOTE: Not all of these situations will apply to every Cross-Cultural Learning Experience.

Of the 9 possible scenarios below, rank what you think would be the most challenging for you from 1 being the most challenging to 9 being the least challenging:

- _____ Sharing a potentially small room with multiple other people (of the same gender), possibly without or with very limited air conditioning.
- _____ Sharing a bathroom with teammates of the same gender
- _____ Less sanitary conditions (including insects, other pests, outdoor shower, limited hot/cold water)
- _____ Unpredictability or changes in day-to-day activities (e.g. change in meal times, activities, etc.)

- _____ Eating new, different kinds of food
- _____ Different weather conditions (e.g. extreme heat, humidity, dry climate)
- _____ Extreme material poverty
- _____ Asking people for money for the purpose of fundraising for your Cross-Cultural Learning Experience
- _____ Sharing your faith with strangers

3a. Please explain in a couple sentences below why you chose your top 3 challenges. How will you plan to manage and grow in your top 3 most difficult challenges?

Medical Information

In order to ensure safety and adequate care, it is essential that we have the most up to date medical information for each student.

Have you filled out the Universal Permission Form in the 2016-2017 school year?

☐ yes ☐ no

Do you have any medical updates since you last filled out the form?

☐ no ☐ yes, if so, please provide an update below: