

**SARAH LAWRENCE COLLEGE IN CUBA
2008-2009 HOUSING CONTRACT**

Student Name: _____

SLC Student ID #: _____

Housing is provided by the College and students must remain in college housing for the duration of their stay in Cuba

Room Damage Deposit

A mandatory security deposit of \$200 for possible room damage appears on your statement of account. The deposit will be returned to you after the end of the academic year, less any assessments for damages identified by the Program Director.

Housekeeping

Responsibility for housekeeping remains with the students. Both common and private rooms must be maintained at standards acceptable to the Program Director and the homestay owner. Both common and private rooms and their furnishings - including kitchen facilities, and linens - must be maintained at standards acceptable to the homestay owner. Students are reminded that the damage deposit also covers repainting, carpet cleaning, and upholstery cleaning deemed necessary by the housing owner(s) at the end of the term. Every effort should be made by resident students to maintain rooms and apartments carefully so as to avoid assessment of high cleaning charges by housing owners.

Kitchen Facilities

While meals are prepared daily by the kitchen staff, cooking facilities are available. Please inform the caretaker of your needs at the beginning of the program.

Care of Property

The Program Director and housing owners will assess damages after inspections. Assessable damages will include alterations or defacement of the building structure and furnishings. If the individual responsible for damages in common living areas such as living rooms is not known or identified, charges will be equally divided among residents. Students who cause damage to telephone, electrical equipment, or common area furnishings will be subject to disciplinary action as well as charges.

Loss or Damage to Personal Property

The College is not responsible for losses of or damages to student property due to fire, theft, natural disaster, etc. Students should make sure their own insurance policies cover such occurrences. The College recommends that students not bring valuable items with them.

Guests

Visitors and overnight guests are **not permitted** without the permission of the Program Director. If permitted, students are responsible for the conduct of their guests.

Vacation Periods

Students do not have to vacate the houses during the vacation periods.

Safety

Because of fire and safety hazards, the use of candles and open flames of any kind are prohibited.

Noise

In order to protect students' rights to sleep and study, there should be no excessive noise in the residences. It is expected that all students will respond to the request for quiet by lowering the noise level.

Pets

Students are not allowed to have pets in the residences.

Inspection

There will be regular inspections to insure adherence to health, safety, and pet regulations, and to insure that the Program facilities are being properly maintained. The Program Director reserves the right to inspect at any time, although every effort will be made to notify students prior to any inspection. Students violating health and fire standards will be subject to disciplinary action.

We, as parent and student, agree to abide by the rules and regulations of Sarah Lawrence College. We understand that infractions and violations may lead to disciplinary action, including being asked to vacate Program housing facilities. If asked to vacate, we understand there will be no financial reduction or refund of the housing fee.

Parent or Guardian

Date

Student

Date

Please sign and return to Sarah Lawrence College by July 15, 2008. Make a copy for your records.