PEACE CORPS PREP PROGRAM APPLICATION

Name: _____ Student ID: _____ Date: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Major(s): _____ Minors(s): _____

Expected Graduation (month and year): _____ Cumulative GPA: _____

1. Training and experience in a specific work sector

Please check the box of the sector in which you would like to serve:

❑ Education ❑ Environment ❑ Youth in Development
❑ Health ❑ Agriculture ❑ Community Economic Development

Note: Actual Peace Corps assignments are based on local needs, and thus may or may not align seamlessly with your qualifications. Flexibility is key to the Peace Corps experience!

(1) Coursework. List the number and name of 3 courses in this same sector that you plan to take, and the semester in which you plan to take them (it is fine if you've already taken them).
Note: The courses you include on this application may change, but it's good to have a plan.

1. Course: _____ Semester and year: _____

2. Course: _____ Semester and year: _____

3. Course: _____ Semester and year: _____

(2) Hands-on experience in that same sector (must total at least 50 hours).
Describe what you plan to do:

2. Foreign language skills

2 semesters of a foreign language are required for PSU's Peace Corps Prep Program.

For the Peace Corps, requirements depend upon desired Peace Corps volunteer placement site. (1) Latin America/ *Spanish-speaking countries*→ two 200-level courses. (2) West Africa/ *French-*

speaking countries→ one 200-level course in any Romance Language. (3) *Everywhere else*→ no explicit requirements, but language skills are a plus.

Which foreign language do you intend to take? : _____

List the top 2 foreign language courses you plan to take:

Course 1: _____ Semester and year: _____

Course 2: _____ Semester and year: _____

Or describe your alternative learning process (e.g., native speaker):

3. Intercultural competence

List the three courses you plan to take:

Course 1: _____ Semester and year: _____

Course 2: _____ Semester and year: _____

Course 3: _____ Semester and year: _____

4. Professional and leadership development

1. **Professional resume feedback:** When do you plan to meet with Career Services for a one-on-one resume review?   Month and year: _____

2. **Professional interview prep:** When do you plan to meet with Career Services for an interview workshop?   Month and year: _____

3. **Describe a leadership experience that you intend to pursue:**
    For example, leading a work or volunteer project, serving on the executive board of a student organization, or organizing a big campus event.

_____   _____
Signature of Student   Date

_____   _____
Signature of Peace Corps Prep Coordinator   Date

Release of Information Form

With your approval, the Pittsburg State University Peace Corps Preparatory Program will release information on a regular basis to the Peace Corps about the participants in this program, their progress through the program, and other details that help the Peace Corps gauge the effectiveness of the PCPP.

These educational records are subject to the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), a Federal law designed to protect the privacy of a student's educational records. This Act prohibits college officials from disclosing any records, including grade reports, academic standings, transcripts of records, or any other records, which contain information directly related to the student and from which the student can be individually identified without your consent. Consistent with FERPA guidelines, PSU will not release records related to your performance in the PCP program, other than those enumerated in this disclosure agreement.

I hereby permit PSU to disclose personally identifiable information the Peace Corps regarding my participation in the Peace Corps Preparatory Program for the purposes of assessing the PCPP. This information will be limited to my name, my date of admission to the PCPP, the coursework and other activities I selected to satisfy PCPP requirements, date of graduation, and whether I successfully completed the PCPP upon graduation. If I do not ultimately enter the Peace Corps, Pittsburg State University may report post-graduation career information, to the extent that PSU has that information.

Student name (printed)_____

Student signature_____

Date_____