## UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA SCHOOL OF NATURAL & BUILT ENVIROMENTS STUDENT CONDUCT AND SAFETY ON EXCURSIONS

Occupational Health and Safety legislation in Australia requires that:

- the University provide a work and study environment which is safe and without risk to health
- staff and students act in a manner which does not jeopardise the safety and health of themselves or others.

Students attending a field trip must read the following notes.

- 1 Students must wear suitable clothing for the prevailing conditions on the excursion. This includes:
  - (a) <u>General Clothing</u> check the weather forecast for the day of the excursion and dress appropriately on an excursion you may be exposed to extreme weather conditions (either hot or cold). Long sleeved shirts and long trousers are preferable as these provide protection from UV radiation and scratches, grazes etc. A broad brim hat and sunglasses should be worn if you are going to be outside for extended periods of time.
  - (b) <u>Footwear</u> comfortable, enclosed, strong shoes or boots should be worn. Thongs or sandals are NOT ACCEPTABLE if you are wearing these items you will not be allowed on the trip.
- 2 Students should carry personal identification, drinking water (at least 2 litres), a small first aid kit, SPF 15+ sunscreen, and wet weather gear (if rain is forecast).

The first aid kit should contain: bandaids; sterile dressings; crepe roll bandages; triangular bandages. These items can be used to treat such things as cuts, sprains, etc.

- 3 Students must notify the excursion leader of any medical or physical condition which might affect the student's physical ability, health or safety on an excursion.
- 4 On an excursion, do not climb cliffs and do not enter unsafe areas such as:
  - (a) areas at the top of cliffs and overhangs which may collapse
  - (b) areas at the bottom of cliffs and overhangs which may be subject to rock falls
  - (c) wave washed coastal platforms
  - (d) abandoned mine shafts

If you do not feel safe or you feel it is unsafe to enter an area, inform the group leader.

- Do not throw rocks or other objects and do not roll boulders, rocks or other objects down slopes. Take care not to dislodge loose materials on steep slopes.
- 6 Firearms, explosive devices and offensive weapons are prohibited.
- 7 The consumption of alcohol or recreational drugs is prohibited.
- Any student who behaves in a manner so as to put at risk their own safety, or the safety of others, will be dismissed from the excursion to return to Adelaide at their own expense. In this situation, the student's assessment for the excursion will be zero, and the student may be precluded from sitting the final examination.