



## NEW THIS YEAR

### OneLink Updates, Changes, and News for the 2024-2025 Season

#### Assessment Standards

While we will continue making “judgment calls” and dialoguing with campus staff about applicants, we have created some standards to help guide these discussions and decisions. Most of these are what we have already been doing, just written out. Most are also still fairly subjective and will allow for discussion, rather than being strict “policies.”

**Evangelism:** Students will need to be able to share a time in the last 3 months when they have shared their testimony, a Gospel presentation and/or significant Gospel truth with a non-believer. It may be helpful for campus partners to give potential applicants a heads-up on this.

Full Document: [☰ OneLink Assessment Standards](#)

## FOR REFERENCE FROM PREVIOUS YEARS

#### Vaccine Policy

Due to easing of travel restrictions around the world, OneLink is NOT requiring the COVID-19 vaccination for international service. However, participants should be aware that immigration vaccine and quarantine requirements are subject to change and they may be prevented from serving, if entry requirements change after team formation has been finalized.

Participants are still required to have received childhood vaccinations and be willing to receive common CDC recommended travel vaccinations such as Hepatitis A & B.

## Acceptance with Conditions

Students who report struggling with certain purity issues within 3 months of applying may be accepted to be OneLink Team Members under the condition that they agree to address an issue with pornography or masturbation (or another unwanted sexual behavior) by completing required course material and accountability outlined by OneLink International. The aim of this policy is to help students develop Christ-like character that will support their gospel witness and help them to personally walk in freedom from sin.

## Security Guidelines

- Campus ministries are free to post about summer trips with OneLink on social media, websites, etc.
- Please continue to use caution when talking about specific places overseas and partner names.
- Please do not list names of OneLink staff members on websites, social media, etc.

## IMB Compliance Requirements

- The IMB requires that OneLink include a series of questions on our application, primarily related to applicants' past, such as criminal record, instances of inappropriate behavior, red flags that they might endanger a child, etc.
- They also have several required interview questions which campus partners will need to ask.
- Students will be required to do background checks yearly through the OneLink sub-account.
- Applicants will be accepted to a team, "contingent on passing IMB compliance review." Once we have accepted a student and placed them on a team, the IMB will conduct a "compliance review" before students are fully accepted to serve on the team.

## **Accepting Freshman Applications**

OneLink accepts freshman applications. If the Stateside Partner feels that a freshman is particularly mature and prepared for an overseas trip, they may recommend them for service with OneLink. Acceptance of a freshman will be on a case-by-case basis. When in doubt, OneLink will ask freshmen to wait a year. Because our application process is during the Fall semester, most applying freshmen have limited history with the campus ministry. As such, OneLink will expect applying freshmen to remain involved with the campus ministry group during the Winter/Spring Semester prior to their overseas trip. If a freshman team member discontinues involvement with the campus ministry, the Stateside Partner should inform OneLink to discuss whether the student should be asked to withdraw from the team.