

## STUDY ABROAD QUESTIONNAIRE

NOTE: This evaluation of your time abroad will be kept in our files for student reference. Your first-hand account will be extremely helpful to those considering a foreign program. Please be as thorough as possible - write on the back if you wish.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Major(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Program (and/or university) \_\_\_\_\_

City & Country \_\_\_\_\_ Dates of Participation \_\_\_\_\_

### Housing

1. a) What were your living arrangements? Dormitory? \_\_\_\_\_ Boarder with a family? \_\_\_\_\_ Independent apartment? \_\_\_\_\_ Be as specific as possible: what facilities were shared? Did you have a private bedroom?

b) What was the extent of responsibility assumed by the program for housing participants?

c) Did you have a choice in housing options? \_\_\_\_\_ What were the options?

d) If you arranged your own housing, what kind of assistance was provided by the program?

e) Was housing included in the program cost? \_\_\_\_\_ If not, how much did you spend on housing (be specific as possible)? What was your overall housing experience? Be specific as possible regarding host families, roommates, and your general level of satisfaction with this aspect of the program.

### Meals

2. Please comment on any significant aspects of the non-academic side of your experience, such as dining arrangements. Did you receive adequate food throughout your study abroad? \_\_\_\_\_ If not, comment on which meals were inadequate and why. Which meals were included in the program cost? How were they provided? Were they adequate (keeping in mind cultural differences)?

### Extracurricular Programs

3.a) Comment upon any help that was given to adjust to the new culture (field trips, excursions, home-stays, etc...), relationships among fellow students, the degree of "integration" into the life and society of the host country.

b) Were extracurricular activities provided by your study abroad program? \_\_\_\_\_.  
Was the cost of the activities included in your program fee? \_\_\_\_\_ What were the  
activities? Include nonacademic presentations, recreational activities, field trips, excursions  
around and between cities, etc. and cost, if applicable.

c) What was the overall quality of the extracurricular program?

#### General Academic Program

4. a) Please comment on the academic workload as it compares to your studies at Hopkins. Do  
you feel the work required for each course was roughly comparable to Hopkins?

b) In general, how would you compare the intellectual challenge of the courses taken  
to the ones you have taken at Hopkins?

c) Were your expectations met concerning your course selections? \_\_\_\_\_

d) Are there specific academic interests that are supported particularly well by this program?

Specific Academic Issues

5. a) How many classes did you take? \_\_\_\_\_

b) How many hours a week did you spend in the classroom? \_\_\_\_\_

c) How many credits did you anticipate you would transfer to JHU? \_\_\_\_\_

d) What was the language of instruction? \_\_\_\_\_.

e) Did you have any trouble getting major approval for classes taken abroad? \_\_\_\_\_ If so, which department(s) caused the problem(s) and for what classes?

What was the resolution?

f) How many hours of homework were you expected to do each night on average?

g) What kind of homework was assigned (problem sets, reading papers, etc.)?

h) Was the homework more or less challenging than what you are used to in similar classes at JHU? Be as specific as possible.

i) What types of exams were given, and how were they evaluated?

j) How would you rate the quality of instruction?

k) Were the classes conducted in the language of the host country? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_  
In English? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_ Or was there a mixture? \_\_\_\_\_

l) Did you have classes with students of the host country?

m) Were your faculty members from the host country?

n) Were adequate basic reference materials available in a library or some other facility?

o) Language preparation (if applicable):

	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor
Your proficiency before the program began	_____	_____	_____	_____
Language training provided	_____	_____	_____	_____
Your proficiency after the program	_____	_____	_____	_____

p) How well did your study abroad experience relate to your academic major at Hopkins?

#### General Issues

6. a) What at were the most significant problems that you encountered?

b) What advice or warnings would you like to pass on to future students considering the same foreign program?

c) Did your career plans or other personal goals change as a result of this experience?

d) Is this a study abroad program that you would recommend to your friends?