Waitlist Procedures Spring 2020

Once students have been notified regarding their placement in a study abroad program for the 2020-2021 academic year, they will have four options: a) stay with the program into which they have been approved to apply; b) stay in their current program, while also joining a waitlist for a spring semester program; c) withdraw from their program, while also joining a waitlist for a spring program; or d) withdraw from study abroad. For those who wish to be added to a program waitlist, please note the following:

1) Beginning February 25, students who applied by the January 5 deadline may submit a waitlist request form. February 25 Update: You can sign up for the waitlist here.

2) There will be a limited number of waitlist openings for a select number of spring 2021 programs. Fall 2020 programs will not have waitlists because deadlines for those programs are rapidly approaching.

3) Students registering for a waitlist need not give up their original program placement. Also, they may join a waitlist for a program they did not select during the original application process. However, students may join only one waitlist.

4) There is no rank ordering of waitlists. Once the waitlist application deadline has passed, the OIP will extend offers to students based strictly upon credentials, i.e., a combination of grade point average, major, and essays.

5) When spaces become available, the OIP will contact students to offer them the opportunity to change programs. Students will have 48 hours to respond via email.

6) By May 1, students enrolled in fall 2020 programs need to submit their final confirmation forms. As an update (added 4/28/20), those who confirm will be allowed to remain on a waitlist until a final decision regarding fall 2020 has been made, most likely by midsummer. Students enrolled in spring 2021 programs may remain on a waitlist until August 31, at which point all waitlists will close.

7) Regular study abroad withdrawal deadlines and fees apply for students on a waitlist. Students who notify the OIP of their desire to withdraw from a study abroad program after the stated deadline will still be assessed the corresponding fee.
Waitlist Instructions

The spring 2021 waitlist form is for students who have been assigned a study abroad program for 2020-21 through the OIP. Before submitting, students should carefully review the waitlist policy found above. The waitlist request form can be found here. You must logged into using your BC email account to access the waitlist request form. Please email oip@bc.edu if you have any questions.