

HARVEY MUDD COLLEGE
Study Abroad Committee

Petition Process for Applying to a Non-approved Program

Students normally apply to approved programs but may, in special cases, petition the Study Abroad Committee if the existing programs do not meet their specific academic needs.

The Study Abroad Committee will review the merit of the student's application, the academic quality of the proposed program, the student's language and academic preparation and the appropriateness of the proposed curriculum to a student's academic program at HMC. Approval by this committee does not guarantee approval by the program sponsor.

To petition the committee, submit a completed HMC study abroad application, program information and course descriptions in English, and a letter addressed to the HMC Study Abroad Committee in which you have answered the questions below. The petition is due with your study abroad application, and should be submitted to Karen McAndrew, Office of Career Services, Platt Campus Center, HMC. You do not appear in person before the faculty committee so this letter is your chance to plead your case.

1. Why do you want to apply to this program?
2. How did you hear about the program? What do you know about its academic reputation? Who will be your peers on the program?
3. Do you meet the admission requirements for the program? What are they? Do you have any special qualifications for this program?
4. What are the housing accommodations?
5. What support services does the program provide, especially in case of emergency?
6. How will the program relate to your overall academic plan?

Please note that in the event your petition is not approved, you should indicate a second choice on your application.