

DEPARTMENT OF GLOBAL STUDIES AND GEOGRAPHY

INSTRUCTIONS FOR APPLYING TO GO ON THE EUROPEAN ODYSSEY

EUROPEAN ODYSSEY REQUIREMENTS

- Students who participate in the Odyssey programs must have the maturity, adaptability, cultural curiosity and initiative to be able to travel, live and study in close quarters with others. With an attitude of respect and cooperation, the group co-creates a mobile learning community that not only comes to know and appreciate other cultures, but also fosters the crucial skills and experiences that lie at the heart of a liberal arts education.
- Students who wish to participate in these Odyssey programs must be in good academic standing and have at least a 2.5 GPA.
- Students must also be in good financial standing.
- Students can take between 12 – 15 sh on the Odyssey.
- When choosing students for the Odyssey preference will be given to **declared** Geography and/or Global Studies majors and minors.
- When choosing students for the Odyssey preference will be given to GS/Geography juniors and seniors.
- Prospective Odyssey students should also make sure to **NOT** having taken GS 108 or GS 109 prior to going on the Odyssey. In **exceptional** cases a student that has completed one of these courses may be given permission to take **one** 3 sh directed study (or a distance learning class) to substitute for this course. This course may be taken in another Department. If the course is in our Department, at no stage may it be used to substitute for any of the GS/Geography courses required for the Major or Minor.
- Geography 107 and Geography 180 **require prerequisites** in the form of either 6 sh of prior geography courses or the prior completion of at least one of the following courses: Geography 1, Geography 2, Global Studies 1, or Global Studies 2. Students interested in going on the Odyssey **must ensure** that they have either taken at least one of the above courses, or that one of these courses is in progress when applying for the program.
- Financial aid received by eligible Hofstra students may be used to pay for tuition, room and board.
- All academic work for the Odyssey must be completed within the semester that you register.

Approval Process and Registration:

- Admission to the program will be by application only.
- **If you are interested in going you MUST fill in the application form.**
A copy can be found here:
http://www.hofstra.edu/pdf/Academics/Colleges/HCLAS/GEOG/odyssey/odyssey_ApplicationForm.pdf

- **Please complete the Application form and submit to the Department of Global Studies and Geography by September 30.** This may be done online by scanning and emailing to: gsgeog@hofstra.edu, Subject Line: Odyssey Application 2017 or by mail: 209K Roosevelt Hall, 130 Hofstra University, Hempstead, NY 11549.
- All applicants' completed applications, together with a copy of his/her Academic Transcript, will then be forwarded to Dr. Longmire, Director of the Program, for her to review.
- Once you have heard back from the Department, a meeting will be set up with Dr. Longmire at which time she will interview you to further assess your suitability for the program. After this meeting, Dr. Longmire will refer you to the Chair of Global Studies and Geography, a Dept. Advisor and/or Dean Bert Binder (University Advisement) to make sure that the program is appropriate for you and to map out the remaining credits needed to graduate with your major/minor and for you to complete your degree. You must also check with your University Advisor whether going on the Odyssey will prevent you from completing any major/minor requirements from outside of the Department.
- **Dr. Longmire will inform you no later than November 30** that you have either been chosen for the program, waitlisted for the program, or not chosen for the program at this current time.
- Once you have been chosen, Dr. Longmire will co-ordinate all other details regarding payment, registration for courses, and so forth directly with you.

For more information about the Odyssey program, please contact:

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