

Chesapeake

Semester

August 16 - December 17, 2014



Application for Admission – 2014

The Chesapeake Semester at Washington College

The competitive program will accept 8-10 Washington College students for the fall semester of 2014. The program runs from August 16th to December 17th, 2014. Submission Deadline: Applications must be submitted to Chesapeake Semester Assistant Director, Mike Hardesty by **March 17th, 2014**. If selected, interviews will be conducted March 19th through the 21st, and students will be notified of their acceptance March 24th. A \$5,500 program fee is required on top of standard enrollment fees. This fee covers all field trip expenses, including airfare and travel abroad. A non-refundable \$500 program deposit is required by April 30th, 2014. Please contact Mike Hardesty at (410) 699-1940 or mhardesty2@washcoll.edu with any questions. *Your application must include the names of two faculty references and your academic advisor's signature.*

First Name: _____ Middle: _____ Last: _____

Please provide your name as it is written on your passport.

GPA: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Gender: Female _____ Male _____

Class Of: _____ Intended Major: _____

Home Address: _____

Email: _____ Cell phone: _____

Passport # _____ Student ID # _____

You must have a valid passport by July 15, 2014, that is good for travel through May 2015.

Parent/Guardian(s): _____

Phone(s) _____ E-mail(s): _____

Address: _____

Personal Interests

How do you spend your time outside of class? This may include hobbies, work, outdoor activities, service projects, student clubs, athletics, sports, or other. Attach typed documents separately, if necessary.

Personal Statements *Attach typed documents separately.*

- 1.) What meaningful connections do you have to your natural and cultural surroundings, and why are the significant to you?
Be sure to include both cultural and natural connections. (500 words)
- 2.) What questions do you hope will be answered, and what skills do you hope to develop in the Chesapeake Semester? (250 words)
- 3.) In what ways might you contribute to this program as an individual and a team member? (250 words)

References

Washington College faculty references:

Name: _____ Department: _____

Name: _____ Department: _____

Academic Advisor Approval

We have asked the student to obtain your signature simply to ensure that he/she has considered the impact of this program on individual graduation and major requirements. This signature does not imply endorsement of the application.

Name: _____ Department: _____

Advisor signature: _____ *Date:* _____

Applicant Authorization

I hereby submit my application to the *Chesapeake Semester* at Washington College.

Applicant signature: _____ *Date:* _____

To the Academic Advisor and Faculty Reference: The student listed above is applying for an immersion program in Chesapeake Regional Studies. This is a four-course program for 16 credits that is offered only in the fall. The program is open to rising sophomores, juniors and seniors. We encourage applications from students of all majors possessing the enthusiasm and energy required to excel in a rigorous academic environment. We are especially interested in the following: 1) academic ability, 2) creativity, 3) curiosity, 4) flexibility, 5) teamwork, 6) interest in ecology and culture.

If selected, the applicant will join a team of 8-10 students to study the complex history, ecology, and culture of North America's largest estuary as a microcosm of the challenges and transitions confronting coastal communities around the world. The Chesapeake Semester combines intensive study, field-work, and outdoor adventure with group and individual leadership skills. Campus based class- work will be supplemented with four, 9-10 day, themed overnight journeys. The final journey will take students on a comparative study abroad to explore similarities and differences in culture, economics, politics, laws, ethics, and resource management.

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