

The Global Perspective Program 2010-2011

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Eligibility

All applicants must be in **good academic standing** *at the time of application*. Sophomores and Juniors are eligible to apply for project programs. First-year students can apply *only* for humanities sufficiency work for their sophomore year.

New for 2010/2011

Everything is on line: All dates, all requirements, all directions!

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IQP Sites

- Nantucket Island – B 2010
- Santa Fe, New Mexico – D 2011
- Boston, MA moved from D to A 2010

Applications 2010-2011

- Résumé – 1 page
- Reference letter for self
Work ethic, Attitude, Flexibility, Motivation, and Creativity
- Two WPI references – 1 from faculty member
who can speak to academic qualifications
- Extra-Curricular Activities (WPI and non-WPI)

Site Sessions

- Mandatory for at least 1st choice site
- *Always* a good idea to go to many different sessions, then choose #1
- Can't get to any sessions for a specific site? Then you can't apply to that site as first choice.
- Attendance is taken, heads are counted – lists double checked against site applications.
- Must meet site application deadline

Bangkok THAILAND Project Center IQP C 2011

This is the Site Specific Application page for an IQP. This must be turned into the IGSD no later than 1:00 pm on November 5, 2009.

Name _____ Student ID # _____
first last

Major _____ Year of Graduation _____ WPI Box Number _____ e-mail _____@wpi

Date of Birth ____/____/____ Sex: M / F Citizenship _____

Address notification should be mailed to:

_____ street apt. or box no. city state zip code

Local Telephone (____) _____ - _____

Permanent Telephone (____) _____ - _____

- Please cross out (X) any sites for which you **DO NOT WISH** to be considered.
- Rank your remaining choices in preference order (1 being 1st choice) by *placing a number in the box to the left of the site name.*

E 2010	
	London, England

A 2010	
	Boston, Massachusetts

B 2010	
	Cape Town, South Africa
	Nantucket, MA
	San José, Costa Rica
	Venice, Italy
	Washington, DC
	Worcester, MA

C 2011	
1	Bangkok, Thailand
	Hong Kong PRC
	Melbourne, Australia
	Worcester, MA

D 2011	
	Copenhagen, Denmark
	London, England
	Melbourne, Australia
	San Juan, Puerto Rico
	Santa Fe, NM
	Windhoek, Namibia

The more sites and terms that you are willing to be considered for, the better your chances of placement will be.

Historical Application Data

	03-04 apps	# spots	04-05 apps	# spots	05-06 apps	# spots	06-07 apps	# spots	07-08 apps	# spots	08-09 apps	# spots	09-10 apps	# spots
MQP	123	105	149	99	129	114	116	88	132	93	130	90	156	97
IQP	375	331	502	377	358	303	387	331	386	328	476	401	489	377
HU & A	53	36	29	24	15	24	15	14	35	27	29	30	36	18

537 IQP applications for 2010-2011 Academic Year

Application Status by Site											
Site		07-08 apps	# spots	ACC	08-09 apps	# spots	ACC	09-10 apps	# spots	ACC	
Washington DC	B	10	24	26	11	24	30	6	28	32	
Worcester	B	10	12	12	8	16	18	3	16	10	
Venice	B	30	24	24	48	28	28	45	28	28	
Cape Town	B	50	24	24	30	24	24	38	24	27	
Nantucket Island	B	N/A	0	0	13	24	21	N/A	0	0	
San José	B	N/A	0	0	51	24	28	50	28	28	
Bangkok	C	25	24	24	41	24	25	34	24	27	
London	C	16	24	26	N/A	0	0	N/A	0	0	
Worcester	C	5	12	9	6	16	14	5	16	9	
Hong Kong	C	11	24	18	29	24	24	30	24	24	
Melbourne	C	N/A	0	0	N/A	0	0	15	12	16	
Boston	D	17	24	25	5	24	30	11	28	28	
Copenhagen	D	17	15	15	27	15	15	46	15	15	
London	D	21	24	26	30	24	25	34	28	28	
Melbourne	D	50	24	24	58	26	26	36	26	26	
San Juan	D	26	24	25	22	26	26	33	26	26	
Windhoek	D	25	24	24	24	24	24	23	24	24	
Worcester	D	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	2	16	10	
London E	E	6	12	7	11	24	26	14	24	21	
SITE SPECIFIC APPLICATIONS		337	339	328	414	367	401	425	387	379	
IQP applicants who withdrew early			39			34			45		
ineligible applicants			11			9			19		
					% of completed apps			% of completed apps		% of completed apps	
didn't complete process - no interview			33	% of total apps		36	% of total apps		23	% of total apps	
not accepted			7	2%	2%	15	3%	4%	3	1%	1%
waitlist			0	0%	0%	17	4%	4%	23	5%	6%
TOTAL APPLICATIONS PROCESSED			386			476			489		

Think carefully about choices

Unlikely as 2nd, 3rd, 4th ... choices

- Melbourne, Australia – C or D term
- Copenhagen, Denmark – D term
- Cape Town, South Africa – B term
- Venice, Italy – B term
- Costa Rica – B term

If this student doesn't get into their 1st choice then they will be out of luck.

- Please cross out (X) any sites you CANNOT consider.
- Rank your remaining choices in preference order (1 being 1st choice) by placing a number in the box to the left of the site name.

E 2009	
X	London, England

B 2009	
X	Washington, DC
X	Venice, Italy
X	Worcester, MA
X	San José, Costa Rica
X	Cape Town, South Africa

C 2010	
X	Worcester, MA
X	Bangkok, Thailand
X	Hong Kong, PRC
X	Melbourne, Australia

D 2010	
X	Melbourne, Australia
1	Copenhagen, Denmark
X	London, England
X	San Juan, Puerto Rico
X	Boston, MA
X	Windhoek, Namibia
X	Worcester, MA

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Don't make us guess! It will not be to your advantage.

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X	London, England

B 2009	
X	Washington, DC
X	Venice, Italy
X	Worcester, MA
X	San José, Costa Rica
X	Cape Town, South Africa

C 2010	
3	Worcester, MA
	Bangkok, Thailand
	Hong Kong PRC
	Melbourne, Australia

D 2010	
	Melbourne, Australia
2	Copenhagen, Denmark
	London, England
	San Juan, Puerto Rico
1	Boston, MA
	Windhoek, Namibia
A+	Worcester, MA

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B 2009	
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8	Venice, Italy
X	Worcester, MA
X	San José, Costa Rica
3	Cape Town, South Africa

C 2010	
X	Worcester, MA
1	Bangkok, Thailand
2	Hong Kong, PRC
4	Melbourne, Australia

D 2010	
5	Melbourne, Australia
6	Copenhagen, Denmark
9	London, England
10	San Juan, Puerto Rico
11	Boston, MA
7	Windhoek, Namibia
X	Worcester, MA

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Interviews

- Sign up for interviews via the web
- Interview only for 1st choice site
- Only one interview per student
- Behavioral interview versus traditional interview

“Tell me about a time when...”

Work Ethic, Attitude, Flexibility, Motivation, and Creativity

What happens to each application?

- Academic Review
 - Students on warning cannot apply
- Judicial Review
- Reference letter is read carefully
 - Addressing strengths & *weaknesses*
- Notes from interview are reviewed
 - Another chance to demonstrate what we wouldn't know about applicant
- Match applicants to sites
 - Based upon their numbered preferences

Tips for a Successful Application

- Know which terms are realistic options for you
- Be willing to entertain every possible site
- Only 1 chance to make a 1st impression
- Know something (of consequence) about the sites you are interested in
- Be able to articulate *why the site and you* are a good match
- Show up on time for interview
- Read and follow directions carefully
- Get applications in on time – deadlines are important!

Things to keep in mind

- Different Center Directors weigh talents differently
 - Must consider balance of *individuals* with the demands of the site
- Being offered an opportunity at a site that is not your 1st choice is NOT a failure
- It is the experience of completing a professional level project in one term - not where it happens

Words to the wise:

- The IGSD is dealing with more than 600+ students and their applications – exceptions to the rules cannot be made
- The IGSD does **not** track every application you submit so if you get accepted to an IQP center and an MQP **you** have to make the decision which to accept
- You are applying as an individual – do not count on going with anyone else
- *Your* application and *your* qualifications are being evaluated – not your parents'...

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