

# LEWIS & CLARK COLLEGE

## Overseas & Off-Campus Programs

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### OVERSEAS APPLICATION ESSAY TEMPLATE

Below are the questions that you will be asked to answer in the Essay component of your Overseas program application. Please review them and draft your answers in a Word document that will enable you to measure the word count of each answer. The number of words allowed are listed for each section. When you have drafted, revised, and checked your responses for spelling and grammar, click on the button at the bottom of this form to be taken to the Application website where you can access the Essay form. Copy & paste your answers and submit the form.

#### ESSAY QUESTIONS (250 WORDS MAXIMUM PER QUESTION)

1. Why are you applying to this particular program? How will your participation contribute to the program? How does this program contribute to your academic career at Lewis & Clark College? How does this program contribute to your major curriculum?  
  
1b. (*Programs with foreign languages only*): List the courses you've taken and the experiences you've had using a foreign language. Be specific as to what languages; where you studied and for how long; degree of skill in reading, writing, and speaking. If your program has a language requirement, please mention your plans for fulfilling it.
2. Describe how you spend your leisure time; list any interests, hobbies, activities, etc.
3. What evidence can you give of your ability to pursue the demands of this program in regards to initiative, persistence, and self-discipline? Cite any work, volunteer, and co-curricular experience.
4. What experiences have you had in living or working with people from different cultural backgrounds? What other states or countries have you traveled/lived in, which have significantly impacted who you are?
5. What other parts of your character do people discover as they get to know you better? How do you respond to misunderstanding, frustration, and/or failure to achieve a specific goal? You may wish to describe a situation in which you experienced these feelings and discuss your methods of coping.

APPLICATION MENU PAGE

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