

INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS

Pepperdine International Programs Office Waitlist FAQ

What is the “Waitlist”? A waiting list for students who have not been immediately accepted into their first or second choice program. It does not mean you were rejected from that program entirely or are unable to apply for another program.

Why was I placed on the Waitlist? Students are on the waitlist due to the highly competitive nature of the application process as well as program capacity limits. As stated on our website and at NSO, only 2/3 of students are accepted into their first choice program. Applicants are assessed by reviewing their GPA, ACT/SAT scores, interview, essay, campus citizenship as well as other factors unique to the location.

How high am I on the Waitlist? The waitlist is not ranked. No student is higher than another. When a program opening becomes available, we take into account many factors before making a decision on new acceptances.

How do I get off the Waitlist? When a space becomes available for a program you are waitlisted for, the International Programs staff and faculty re- evaluate the waitlist to determine who will be given an acceptance letter.

How do I apply for another program? You can drop your application on Wavenet and apply for another program at anytime.

Do I need to interview again? You will need to interview again if you are changing programs or choosing the same location but changing it from fall/spring to summer or vice versa.

When should I reapply? Summer program applicants: We recommend reapplication in October/November and will continue to take applications as needed. Fall and spring applicants (non-summer programs) should reapply immediately given that language courses are required for the spring 2016 semester. Reapplying after November greatly risking your chances of gaining acceptance into another program.

Can I stay on a Waitlist and apply for another program for the same term? This is not possible.

Should I apply for another program? Our main objective is for you to go abroad. If you have been notified by our office that the program you are waitlisted for has many waitlisted applicants, you should strongly consider switching your application.

Other important information:

If you are considering changing programs, make sure that you take into account the courses offered and prerequisites before you submit your application. Please speak with your academic and financial aid advisors in the case that you would like to switch to a different program.

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