



Pepperdine International Programs Office Waitlist FAQ

What is the “Waitlist”?

- A waiting list for students who have not been immediately accepted into their first 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. Applicants are assessed by reviewing their GPA, ACT/SAT scores, interview, essay, 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 (refer to factors above).

How do I get off the Waitlist?

- When a space becomes available for a program you are waitlisted for, the International Programs Director and at times faculty re-evaluate the appropriate waitlist to determine who will be given an acceptance letter.

How do I apply for another program?

- Please come in to the office and speak with our Front Office Coordinator, Drake Schaneberg, and he will put you in contact with the correct party.

Do I need to interview again?

- There may be an additional interview process depending on the program / applicant.

When should I reapply?

- Summer program applicants: We recommend reapplication in October/November and will continue to take applications as needed.
- Academic year applicants (non-summer programs) should reapply immediately given that language courses are required for the spring 2015 semester. Reapplying after November 3rd is 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?

- No.

Should I apply for another program? If you are interested in another program and are Waitlisted for a program with a higher than average Waitlist, you may want to consider switching your application.

Other important information:

- If you are considering changing programs, make sure that you take into account the need to take that program's introduction language course before you go abroad. This will need to be done in the spring of 2015, or the semester before you leave.
- Make sure you speak with your academic coordinator AND financial aid advisor in the case that you would like to switch to a different program.

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