Questions to Ask about your Summer Study-Abroad Program

The following are questions you’ll want to answer about the program that you’re interested. Be able to answer these questions for your advisor and the GEO. Keep these for your reference and information.

Program Name
Identify the name and location of the program (please include such information as website, catalogue, brochure, etc.) Attach documentation for your easy reference.

Program Dates
What are the program dates? What is the application deadline for the program in you plan to participate? Will any sort of orientation be provided? What will that entail?

Housing
What are the accommodations for housing? Is housing included in your fees or do you have to find/pay for housing on your own?

Safety Issues
Are there any safety issues that you, your parents, or your advisor are aware of at the site of the program? Please check the State Department website (www.state.gov) to verify.

Potential Contribution to the Student’s Curriculum
In what ways will participation in this program enhance your learning and give opportunity for unique curricular experiences? Discuss this with your advisor.

In what ways does this program enhance your Gordon Experience?
The key aspects of Gordon’s mission involve intellectual maturity, Christian character, servanthood and leadership. How might this program speak to one or all of these key aspects?

Program Choice
What are your reasons for choosing this program? What is unique about it? Are you considering any other program? If so, please list.

Accreditation
Is the program sponsored by an accredited US institution or a foreign accrediting body? If so, which one? What other colleges or universities have sent students on this program? Please attach a list. If you have spoken with a contact person, be sure and record that person’s name, title, phone number, and e-mail address for your records.