

# AIFS PARTNERSHIP PROGRAMS

## About the program

The College Division of AIFS has operated Partnership programs since 1980. Its headquarters are in the Bloomsbury quarter of London, with programs in Buenos Aires, Argentina; Cairns and Sydney, Australia; Beijing, Shanghai and Nanjing, China; San José and Santa Barbara; Costa Rica; Prague, Czech Republic; London, Oxford and Cambridge, England; Paris, France; Berlin, Germany; Greece; Dublin and Galway, Ireland; Florence, Rome, Bologna, Sicily and Sorrento, Italy; Cuernavaca and Guanajuato, Mexico; Cusco, Peru; Rwanda; Cape Town, S. Africa and Barcelona, Santander, Salamanca, Granada and Madrid, Spain.

AIFS works with colleges and universities in the United States to facilitate their own study abroad programs in the above locations. Academic credit and most teaching are provided by the partner school, with AIFS providing classroom facilities, student housing, on-site offices and support staff, a cultural program, supplementary academic components, travel arrangements and pre-program planning services. In 2009, AIFS Partnership programs had over 1,540 students; 816 students on semester/quarter programs, plus 724 on short-term, summer and winter programs.

### Would you recommend the Partnership Program?

*based on 529 responses from 568 spring semester participants*

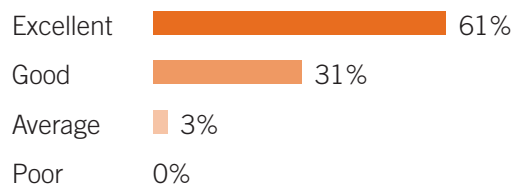
YES  96%

NO  4%

*Responses from spring 2009 semester students*

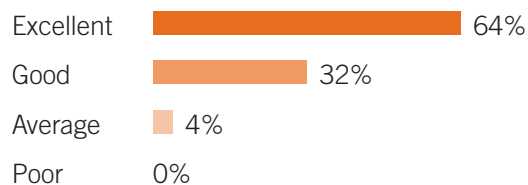
### Overall Experience

*based on 529 responses*



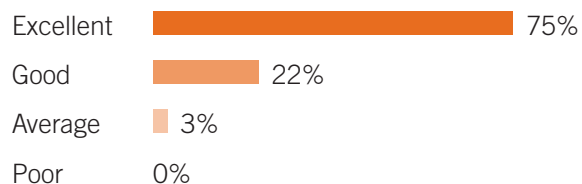
### Cultural Content

*based on 529 responses*



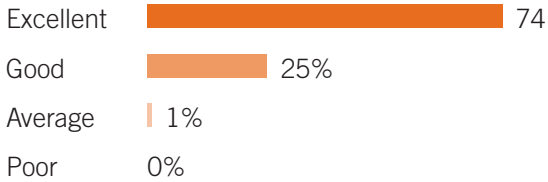
### Service While Abroad

*based on 529 responses*

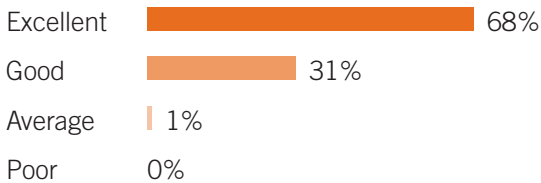


Responses from fall 2009 semester students

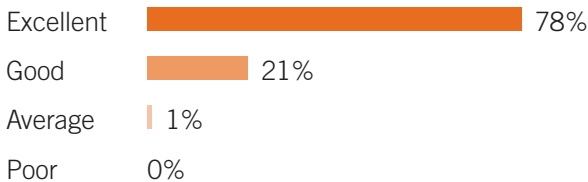
### Overall Experience *based on 236 responses*



### Cultural Content *based on 236 responses*



### Service While Abroad *based on 236 responses*



## Partnership overall evaluation

To ensure that AIFS programs meet the needs of the partner schools, students and faculty, a variety of evaluation, inspection and review mechanisms are used.

## Evaluations from students

Every student is required to complete a detailed, confidential evaluation of both pre-program and on-site services. The evaluations are analyzed by the Senior Vice President responsible for the programs, and statistical summaries are reviewed by the Chairman. Any problem areas are reviewed and appropriate action taken.

## On-going student feedback

AIFS Program Coordinators operate an open door policy and students are encouraged to discuss any problems they may encounter. Focus group meetings are held at regular intervals to monitor student satisfaction levels.

### Would you recommend the Partnership Program?

*based on 236 responses from 248 fall semester participants*



## Inspection visits by college representatives

Facilities and services are regularly inspected by senior administrators from the partner schools in order to ensure they meet with their approval.

## Visits by key AIFS staff

The Senior Vice President visits each program site during the period of the program to review its operation with the AIFS coordinator, the U.S. faculty and participating students.

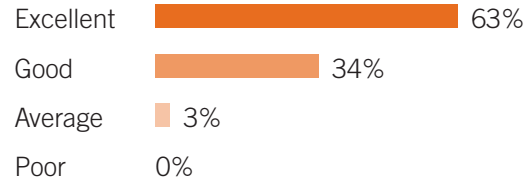
### Would you recommend the Partnership Program?

*based on 698 responses from 724 summer participants*



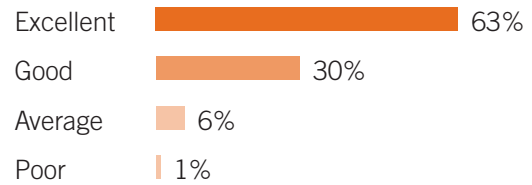
### Overall Experience

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### Cultural Content

*based on 236 responses*



### Service While Abroad

*based on 236 responses*

