Application for Tufts-in-Madrid/Alcalá
Academic Year 2016-17, Fall 2016,
or Spring 2017

In order for an application to be complete, each applicant must submit to the Office of Programs Abroad by February 1, 2016 the following:

1. The Application for Admission (indicating on the front page the specific program to which you are applying and rank-ordering your preferences if you are able to consider multiple Tufts-in-Madrid/Alcalá program options); if completed electronically, the application must be printed and submitted in hard copy, with applicant signature on the last page and adviser signature on the second-to-last page;
2. Students from other universities applying to Tufts Programs Abroad need to include one official transcript of all college work showing fall semester grades (our office will obtain transcripts for applicants from Tufts);
3. Two letters of recommendation from faculty (at least one must be a language recommendation);
4. The Agreement and Release Form (signed by both applicant and parent/guardian if applicant is under the age of 21);
5. A non-refundable $40 application fee in check or money order only (made payable to “The Trustees of Tufts College”);
6. A copy of the photo page of a current valid signed passport (which must be valid through six months beyond the END of the intended program).
Please check one program option:

**CHILE:**
- [ ] Full Year 2016-17
- [ ] Fall Semester 2016

**CHINA:**
- [ ] Fall Semester 2016 (only)

**GHANA:**
- [ ] Fall Semester 2016 (only)

**HONG KONG:**
- [ ] Spring Semester 2017 (only)

**JAPAN:**
- [ ] Full Year 2016-17
- [ ] Fall Semester 2016
- [ ] Spring Semester 2017

**LONDON:** *(check one)*
- [ ] UCL
- [ ] SOAS
- [ ] RHUL

**MADRID/ALCALÁ:**
- *(if applicable, rank order preference)*
  - [ ] Full Year 2016-17
  - [ ] Fall Semester 2016
  - [ ] Spring Semester 2017

**OXFORD:**
- [ ] Full Year 2016-17 (only)

**PARIS:**
- *(if applicable, rank order preference)*
  - [ ] Full Year 2016-17
  - [ ] Fall Semester 2016
  - [ ] Spring Semester 2017

**TÚBINGEN:**
- [ ] Full Year 2016-17
- [ ] Spring Semester 2017

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**STUDENT INFORMATION**

Name in Full

Date of Birth

Student ID#

Citizenship

Email

Permanent Address: Street

City

State

Zip

Country

Telephone

Campus Mailing Address: Street

City

State

Zip

Country

Are you an international student on a Tufts-issued visa? [ ] Yes [ ] No

Are you planning to participate in a non-Tufts study-abroad program in the semester prior to a semester with Tufts Programs Abroad? [ ] Yes [ ] No

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**ACADEMIC INFORMATION**

College or University

Major(s)

Class Standing (junior, etc.)

GPA

Other Colleges Attended

Dates

How did you hear about this program?

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**CAN WE RELEASE YOUR NAME, PERMANENT ADDRESS, TUFTS E-MAIL ADDRESS, AND TELEPHONE NUMBER TO STUDENTS ATTENDING THE SAME PROGRAM?** [ ] Yes [ ] No

(This is solely for the purpose of creating a pre-departure contact list for all students on the program you will attend.)
COURSES CURRENTLY IN PROGRESS:

FURTHER COURSES TO BE TAKEN IN THE SEMESTER OR SUMMER BEFORE PROGRAM BEGINS (if applicable):

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DESCRIBE YOUR OWN ACADEMIC AND PERSONAL STRENGTHS AND WEAKNESSES. IN LIGHT OF THESE, WHY ARE YOU APPLYING TO THIS PARTICULAR PROGRAM? (a separate document may be included; approximately one page in length is sufficient)
ACADEMIC APPROVAL

TUFTS APPLICANTS

The completed application form must be reviewed and approved by the student’s faculty adviser in the department of his or her major or intended major; applicants should bring the form to his or her adviser to discuss the program and obtain a signature of approval prior to submitting the completed application to Tufts Programs Abroad. (Engineering students should have their applications reviewed by the department chair.)

Please check appropriate boxes:

___ I am familiar with the applicant’s academic progress and believe that his or her training and intellectual interests are such as to qualify the student to profit by participating in the Tufts Programs Abroad.

___ I recommend the applicant with respect to character and personality for admission to the Tufts Programs Abroad.

___ I have discussed the proposed study-abroad program with the applicant and approve it as consistent with his/her concentration and degree requirements, subject to the following conditions and reservations. (Please indicate whether courses may be used toward the concentration requirement.)

Remarks and/or conditions and reservations:

_________________________________________________________________________________________________

__________________________________________________________________________________________________

_________________________________ _______________________________________________________

date signature

title and department print name

NON-TUFTS APPLICANTS

The application is at this point to be reviewed by a Dean or Study Abroad Professional at the applicant’s college or university for approval and then submitted to Tufts Programs Abroad.

Please check appropriate boxes:

___ The applicant is in good academic and disciplinary standing in his or her college or university.

___ I recommend the applicant with respect to character and personality for admission to Tufts Programs Abroad.

___ It is understood that in recommending a student for the Tufts Programs Abroad we approve the applicant’s plan of study and consider the work creditable towards our degree.

Remarks and/or conditions and reservations:

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date signature

title and department print name
STUDENT CERTIFICATION

I hereby apply to participate in the above designated program of the Tufts Programs Abroad. I have also carefully read and reviewed the Tufts Programs Abroad brochure, application instructions, and application forms.

I hereby waive my right of access to my completed program application, recommendations and/or references and hereby authorize Tufts University to reproduce and release any and all parts of my application and records to any cooperating institutions and program directors overseas and to send a transcript of my grades from the above designated program of the Tufts Programs Abroad to the college/university in which I am enrolled as a degree candidate.

______________________________ ______________________________________________
date signature

PARENT/GUARDIAN EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION:

Name __________________________________________ Telephone ______________________
Address: Street ___________________________________ City ______________ State _____ Zip _____
(if different than home address on front)

Parent/Guardian Email Address: __________________________________________________________

BILLING INFORMATION:
(if different than home address on front)

Name_Institution ___________________________________ Telephone ______________________
Address: Street ___________________________________ City ______________ State _____ Zip _____

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AGREEMENT AND RELEASE

TUFTS PROGRAMS ABROAD
TUFTS UNIVERSITY
MEDFORD, MASSACHUSETTS 02155
(Chile, China, Ghana, Hong Kong, Japan, London, Madrid, Oxford, Paris, and Tübingen)

Notice: This is a two-page document. All pages contain important terms and conditions which affect your legal rights. READ BOTH PAGES CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING.

1. I am an applicant for the Tufts Programs Abroad in either Chile, China, Ghana, Hong Kong, Japan, London, Madrid, Oxford, Paris or Tübingen (hereinafter “the Program”) offered by Tufts University (hereinafter “Tufts”). I understand that the Program includes travel, living and study in foreign countries and can involve risk of injury, death, loss of or damage to personal property, accident, delay and expense resulting from participation in the Program, including, but not limited to, the use of any vehicle, the occurrence of strikes, war, insurrection, crime, governmental restrictions or regulations, disease or infection, weather conditions, limited medical care, the acts or omissions of any water carrier, airline, railroad, bus company, taxi service, hotel, restaurant, school, university, or any other firm, agency, company or individual and periods of unsupervised or independent travel. I further understand that each foreign country has its own laws and standards of acceptable conduct, including dress, manners, morals, politics, drug use and behavior. I recognize that behavior which violates those laws or standards could endanger my health and safety.

2. I have weighed the dangers inherent in foreign travel and study, the risks presented to my own health and well being, and my personal desire to further my educational experiences by traveling and studying in a foreign country. I have concluded that the risks are acceptable and are outweighed by my desire to participate in the Program.

3. In consideration of Tufts permitting me to participate in the Program, I hereby waive and release any rights against Tufts, its trustees, agents, employees and representatives to file a claim, demand or cause of action of any kind or nature whatsoever related to or arising out of my participation in the Program and I further agree to defend, indemnify and hold harmless Tufts, its trustees, agents, employees and representatives from any obligations or liabilities for which Tufts may become liable as the result of damage, death or injury to the person or property of others while participating in the Program.

4. During my participation in the Program, I hereby grant Tufts, its employees and agents full authority to take whatever actions they may consider to be warranted under the circumstances regarding the protection of my health and safety, and I hereby release each of them from any liability, claims, demands or causes of action of any kind or nature whatsoever, arising or resulting from any such decisions, actions, or omissions. The authority granted in the preceding sentence shall include the right to place me, at my own expense, in a hospital, within or outside the United States, for medical services and treatment, or if no hospital is readily accessible, to place me in the hands of a local medical doctor for treatment. If it is deemed necessary or desirable by Tufts, its employees or agents, I authorize them to transport me back to the United States, by commercial airline or otherwise, at my own expense, for medical treatment. I have arranged, through insurance or otherwise, to meet any and all needs for payment or medical costs while I participate in the Program. I understand that neither Tufts nor the Program has responsibility or liability, and I agree to hold Tufts and the Program harmless, for independent travel undertaken by me before the Program begins, after it ends, or on semester breaks, holidays, or week-ends. Nevertheless, the Program may restrict or urge reconsideration of independent travel based on current health or safety concerns.

5. In the event that Tufts, its employees or agents shall advance or loan any monies to me or shall incur expenses on my behalf, while I am a participant in the Program, I hereby agree to repay any such advances, loans, or expenses immediately upon my return to the United States.
6. I hereby agree to comply with all rules, standards and instructions relating to student behavior which are promulgated by Tufts or the host college. I agree that Tufts, its employees and agents shall have the right to enforce appropriate standards of conduct, and that Tufts may, at any time, terminate my participation in the Program in the event of failure to abide by any such standard of conduct. If my participation in the Program is so terminated, I agree to return to the United States immediately thereafter, at my own expense, and Tufts shall be under no obligation to refund any portion of the fees and other charges which have already been paid or to afford me any credit against fees and charges which have accrued but have not then been paid.

7. When participating in group tours or other activities arranged by Tufts, I agree to accept the will of the majority whenever a matter of choice is presented to the group. I will also accept in good faith the supervision and instruction of Tufts or their agents (including the resident director) in all matters relating to the Program including the personal conduct of Program participants.

8. I understand that, from time to time, Tufts’ publicity materials may include statements by and/or photographs of Program participants and I hereby consent to such use of my comments or photographic likeness.

9. I hereby acknowledge that Tufts reserves the right to make cancellations, substitutions, or changes in the Program. In addition, I understand that Tufts’ fees are based upon costs currently in force and are subject to change. I agree that, if I leave the Program for any reason after the Program has begun, there will be no refund of any fees or charges already paid or any credit for fees and charges accrued but not paid.

10. All references to Tufts in this agreement shall include the trustees, officers, directors, staff members, campus directors, chaperons, group leaders, employees, agents and affiliates of Tufts, as the case may be.

11. I hereby acknowledge that I have read the terms of conditions set forth in the Release and Agreement for Tufts Programs Abroad, the Agreement Not to Use Motor Vehicles or Bicycles (where applicable), and the Tufts Programs Abroad brochure and I understand that the Agreement and the brochure constitute the entire agreement between Tufts and myself.

12. The Agreement shall be construed in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

 Signed on this____________________day of_________________, 20_______.

__________________________
Signature of Applicant

__________________________
Name of Applicant (please print)

CONSENT OF PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN *
I certify that I am the parent/legal guardian of the applicant, that I have read the foregoing Agreement and Release for Tufts Programs Abroad, and the Tufts Programs Abroad brochure, and I hereby join in the agreements of the applicant contained in the foregoing, and agree to be bound by all the obligations of the applicant thereunder as if I were a party thereto.

 Signed on this__________________________day of_______________________, 20________.

__________________________
Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian *

* Parent or guardian signature is required if the student is under 21 years of age or if the parent or guardian is responsible for paying tuition, fees, and charges.
LANGUaje RECOMMENDATION FOR TUtFS IN MA DRID/ALCALÁ AND TUtFS IN CHILE

ROMANCE LANGuAGES DEPARTMENT FORM

Please return form to: Office of Programs Abroad
Dowling Hall
Tufts University
Medford, MA 02155

Programs:
☐ Chile
☐ Madrid/Alcalá

Deadline: February 1st

Name of Applicant: _______________________________________
Name of Instructor: _______________________________________
Course: ________________________________________________

1. Please rate the student in comparison with other individuals at similar stages in their career.

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2. What three words best describe this student? _______________________________________

3. What are his/her strengths and weaknesses?

4. Would you like to have this student on a study abroad program that you were directing? Why or why not?
5. To the extent possible, please assess the student in the following areas by circling the most appropriate response. Circle NA if you cannot judge with accuracy.

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**Other comments (optional):**

Instructor’s Signature: ___________________________ Date: ____________________

Print Name: ________________________________________________________________
Please comment on the student’s general intellectual ability and motivation for studying abroad, emotional maturity and stability, and abilities to function in a foreign environment, relate to others, and work independently. (Please use the reverse side and/or attach a separate sheet if preferred.)

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Program:
- Chile
- China
- Ghana
- Hong Kong
- Japan
- London
- Madrid/Alcalá
- Paris
- Tübingen

Instructor’s Signature: ________________________________ Date: __________________

Print Name: ________________________________

Title and Department: ________________________________
TUFTS IN MADRID:
ITEMS COVERED BY THE COMPREHENSIVE FEE

HOUSING

○ Full room and board during academic sessions. (Winter and Spring vacations excluded)

○ Family stay includes an individual room, only one American student per family, breakfast and lunch or dinner, linens & laundry, free use of home phone for 1-2 daily local calls to landlines, internet and wifi.

○ Daily lunch/dinner allowance is equivalent to almost twice the cost of a meal at university cafeterias.

○ Hotels, meals and transportation during orientation sessions and excursions to different regions of Spain each semester.

ACADEMICS

○ Alcalá and Madrid initial two-day orientation sessions are held together in Madrid. Extended orientation lasts for approximately 10 days and includes guided tours of Madrid and Alcalá; guided visits to the universities (UAH and UAM); lectures by university professors; museum and monument tours (all entrance fees covered); language placement and conversation classes; a day trip to the 16th century royal palace, El Escorial.

○ For the Autonomous University (full-year, fall and spring semester) students:
  Full enrollment at the Autonomous University of Madrid (UAM), which offers a vast selection of courses including Art History, Spanish Language and Literature, Spanish and World History, Latin American Literature, Arab studies, Anthropology, Philosophy, Business, Economics, International Relations, Education, Sociology, Geography, Law, Music, Psychology, Languages, and Science.

○ For the University of Alcalá de Henares (full-year, fall and spring semester) students:
  Full enrollment at the University of Acalá (UAH), which offers courses including Literature, Languages, Theatre, Translation, Spanish Studies, Art History, History, Law, Geography, Economics, Sociology, International Relations, Business, Philosophy, Psychology, Political Science, Education and Marine Biology (spring only).

○ Use of UAM/UAH facilities: sports, computers, e-mail, libraries, museums, choir, bookstore, cafeterias, activities (in the case of activities requiring extra fees there is a specified allowance each semester).

○ Program courses each semester especially designed for American students in Spanish / Transatlantic Culture Studies, Literature, Art History, Political Science, Fine Arts and Advanced Spanish Language.

○ Individual and group tutorials covered for all courses.

○ Academic advising by the director who is well acquainted with Tufts requirements.

○ Use of Program fax for academic consultations with the Medford campus.
Internship placement for both full year and semester students with flexible credit options. Past internships have included the prestigious Club de Madrid, the Fulbright Commission, the Prado Museum, Sothebys, human rights associations, NGOs, government agencies, cooking schools, English language print and online magazines, fashion institutes, public health associations, science laboratories, women's advocacy, immigrant rights associations, hospitals, sports associations, English classes.

ACTIVITIES & STUDENT RESOURCES

- Spanish Peer Mentor program. Each student will have a Spanish peer mentor. Mentors are third year students at either the UAM or the UAH who guide students academically and culturally and participate in all program activities.
  - Three excursions each semester to diverse regions of Spain (one day, two-day and three-day) guided by a renowned art and cultural historian.
  - Students are enrolled in Disfruta Madrid Más, a network that offers a weekly selections of plays, films, exhibits, lectures, concerts, dance performance, excursions and local events.
  - A European Youth Card ("carné joven") providing discounts at theaters, museums, and shops in Madrid and up to a 20% discount on public transportation.
  - The ERASMUS student card providing access to diverse activities organized for foreign students at the university.
  - Unlimited reimbursement of student visits to Spanish museums, monuments and cultural exhibits.
  - An extracurricular allowance (300 € each semester) for classes taken in sports, music, art, dance, etc. at private academies. It can be used to cover the UAM/UAH sports fee or private gym fees.
  - A travel allowance (170 € each semester) for student travel expenses for cultural trips to various regions of Spain.
  - An individual student bank account with Visa/Debit card. Parents may wire money to this account from the US if desired.
  - Tapas parties at the beginning of each semester in Madrid and in Alcalá for participants to meet UAM/UAH students and language "intercambios" (arranged prior to the students' arrival in Spain).

FACILITIES AND STUDENT WELFARE

- The Program Center in Madrid is shared by the Tufts and Skidmore Programs (an average of 25 to maximum 45 students each semester). It is located in the heart of Madrid's cultural center, near all the major museums and a train station with direct service to the Autonomous University and to the city of Acalá. The Madrid office is staffed by the Director, the Assistant Director, Language Tutor, and Activities Coordinators, and operating hours are Monday through Thursday 9am to 7pm, Friday 10am to 5pm. The Center houses the administrative offices, classrooms for Program courses, lectures, tutorials and weekly meetings, and includes a
library, a seminar room, a student lounge equipped with computers, and a printer and scanner for student use. All program classes, open to both Madrid and Alcalá students, are housed at the Madrid program center.

- The Alcalá Program Office is located within the Universidad of Alcalá, at the School of Filosofía y Letras. The Alcalá program center has a student lounge equipped with WiFi, computers, and a printer and scanner for student use. Students have access to all university services, including libraries, classrooms, information centers, and computers with Internet access and WiFi. The Program office is staffed fulltime by the Assistant Director in Alcalá and the Housing Coordinator.

- Access to off-site counselors, offering individual counseling sessions.

- Spanish medical insurance with national health provider ADESLAS is provided for each student. No co-pays or pre-existing condition clauses. Includes hospitalization and emergency care.

- “Focus on Intercultural and Human Rights Awareness” education throughout the semester/year to support students in the process of adaptation in the host country and upon their return to their country of residence, and to educate students about the status of human rights in Spain (race, gender, sexual orientation, sexual violence). The program encourages students to cultivate skills and attitudes that best support an ethical and informed approach to difference in the host culture and among their student cohorts.

- A monthly transportation pass for unlimited use of the subway, bus, and city train in Madrid or Alcalá. For Madrid and Alcalá students who travel between programs for classes or internships, the monthly pass includes public transportation between Alcalá and Madrid.

- Processing of student residency permits for full-year students (not required for semester students).