

# Crossroads – Geneva's Center for Off-Campus Study

## THE ART INSTITUTE OF PITTSBURGH

### Frequently asked Questions

► **Who can apply?**

1. Any student may apply for their junior year.
2. A Major in Communication is *NOT* required. However, the Crossroads advisor must approve a student for AIP.
3. Students with an independent major will be assigned a discipline specific advisor to track progress toward graduation. The Geneva College registrar will also keep a copy of the student's approved courses and complete the graduation audit based upon that list.

► **What minors are available?**

Geneva College will accept the following Minors:

Advertising, Entertainment Design, Fashion/Retail Mgmt., Fashion Design, Game art Design, Graphic Design, Industrial Design, Interior Design, Media Arts & Animation, Photography, Visual Effects & Motion Graphics

► **When should a student begin the application process?**

So his/her time at Geneva College is used wisely, a student should talk to their academic advisor as soon as they think they are interested in the program.

► **How are the AIP credits transferred back to Geneva College?**

Thirty (30) credits are earned for the three term program. The Crossroads advisor will approve courses accepted for credit prior to the beginning of the program.

► **What is the academic calendar?**

AIP operates on a 4 term-session calendar:

October - December

January - March

April – June

July – September

► **May I take only 2 terms?**

Yes – A student may take part in the July-September and October-December terms.

► **May I take the 4<sup>th</sup> term offered by AIP as a Geneva College student?**

No. A student may however, graduate from Geneva College and then return to AIP for the 4<sup>th</sup> term at their own *expense*.

► **How are students billed?**

- Students attending the **3 term** AIP program will be invoiced each GC semester for the regular GC tuition.
- Students participating in **2 terms** will be billed on their GC fall semester invoice, the AIP cost for 2 terms
- All participants will be charged a \$300 Off-Campus study fee. This will be added to their student invoice.
- Room & board will be charged on a case/case basis.
  1. Students living on Geneva's campus will be charged for their room and may take a smaller meal plan.
  2. Those wishing to live on their own in Pittsburgh will not be charged R&B.
  3. Those wishing to live in the AIP residence halls will be billed for their R&B separately by AIP

► **How will my financial aid be determined?**

The use of Geneva's financial aid will be determined by the student's program of study at Geneva. State & Federal aid may be applied to study at AIP. **Meet with Geneva's Financial Aid** office to discuss your particular financial situation and complete the Cost Estimate Worksheet.

► **If I choose to live on campus, do I receive financial help with commuting to Pittsburgh?**

No

► **May I change my mind about my courses once I enroll?**

Only under special circumstances. Students must petition and receive permission from both the Crossroads advisor and their academic advisor for permission before making *ANY* changes.