The Talloires Program ran very successfully in the summer of 2006. The group consisted of 90 students and 10 faculty members, along with two Scholars in Residence, one from Arts and Sciences and the other from the Veterinary School.

Considerable preparation went into the recruitment and selection of faculty and students for the Summer 2007 Talloires Program. Multiple notices were sent to the faculty during the summer to solicit course proposals, followed by email reminders as the September deadline approached. Several student information sessions were held in mid-November. As a new initiative to encourage applications from students of engineering, Professor Kim Knox, Associate Dean of Engineering, and Professors Lewis Edgers and David Gute of Civil and Environmental Engineering attended the meeting held in Anderson Hall to explain the benefits of a study abroad experience. Consequently the number of engineering students enrolled in the Talloires Program increased from 8% in 2006 to 15% in 2007.

The Subcommittee European Center at Talloires met on September 21, 2006. Present were Gabriella Goldstein, the Administrative Director, five voting members of the faculty, two ex-officio members, and an Assistant from the European Center. We considered 23 course proposals, only one fewer than the previous year. Once again, setting the due-date as late as administratively feasible, September 18, enabled many faculty to complete applications in time for consideration. Again, about half of the proposals were submitted by faculty who had not previously taught in Talloires.

Prior to the meeting, the members of the Subcommittee read the course proposals and made preliminary evaluations. Such preparation engendered meaningful discussion and led to the careful assessment of the academic soundness and appropriateness of each one to be offered in Talloires. To ensure both fairness and maximum faculty input, the courses were grouped into four broad disciplinary areas known to attract student applicants and a fifth one for all the others. Faculty who had proposed a course in one area left the room during the discussion of all the courses in that category. Each proposal was given one of the following ratings: a) highly recommended, b) recommended, or c) not recommended. The Academic Director, the Administrative Director and Dean Rob Hollister later met to make the final selections for the highly recommended and recommended list. The primary concern, beside the academic soundness of the courses, was to offer a balanced program drawn from diverse fields of interest to appeal to a broad spectrum of Tufts students. Ten courses were selected for the Summer 2007 Program, five of them proposed by faculty new to Talloires and two from the School of Engineering. They are as follows:

- CEE 194 The Emerging Global Health Crisis: Epidemics, the Environment, and Public Policy
- ENG 10 Non-Fiction Writing
- ENG 07 Creative Writing—The Surrealist Poets
- ENP 61 Introduction to Human Factors and Ergonomics: Designing Across Cultures
- ENVST 105 The Hills Are Alive: Flowers of the Alps
- FAH 009 Impressionism and Post-Impressionism
- FR 21/FR 22 Communiquons en français en France
- FR 32 or 191 Readings on Nature in French Literature II
- HIST 39-06 Islam in Western Europe: Muslim Communities in Post-war France, Britain, and Germany
- PHIL 195-02 The Legacy of Simone de Beauvoir

(*indicates first time instructor at Talloires)

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The faculty selected to teach in the 2007 Tufts-in-Talloires program met in November to provide orientation and for new faculty an introduction to the conditions of teaching in Talloires. Preliminary program logistics such as the program calendar, the course schedule, book ordering, course excursions and activities, housing needs, travel arrangements and personal planning were reviewed. A follow-up meeting was held in April to finalize scheduling details and exchange practical information.

Student interest in Tufts in Talloires continues to be strong. The current enrollment in the 2007 summer session in Talloires is again at capacity, that is, 90 students.

A number of other events and programs related to the Tufts-in-Talloires took place during the past year:

**In Medford:**
- The annual reunion for faculty and students from the previous summer was held in the fall. On November 16 about 60 students and faculty joined together in Sophia Gordon Hall to reminisce about their summer experience in Talloires.
- Gabriella Goldstein, the Administrative Director, also hosted two reunions for past and current Talloires faculty and staff.

**In Talloires:** (besides occasional meetings and events of local French groups)
- The Amis de la Prieure annual lecture series
- The Talloires Symposium, the Fifth Annual Fletcher School European Alumni Gathering
- The MacJannet Foundation Annual Board and Trustee Meeting
- The Tufts International Board of Overseers Annual Meeting
- The Harvard University Weatherhead Center for International Affairs
- The Tufts European Center’s Summit Program for High School Students
- The Tufts European Center’s Tufts in Annecy French Immersion Program
- The Tufts European Center’s “American English Today” Conversational English Program
- The Tufts Hillel Seminar, “France, the Holocaust and the Rebirth of French Jewry”
- The Tufts European Center’s “Landscape Painting” course
- The Walsh Group, “Developing Standards for Research in Drugged Driving”
- Tufts in Paris Orientation Weekend
- The Fletcher School and the University of Saint Gallen, “Global Leadership Seminar”

The continuing challenge facing the Talloires Subcommittee and Program is to attract more course proposals from currently under-represented areas, particularly from the sciences, political science and economics. The Administrative Director is more than willing to work with faculty to help them develop courses appropriate to Talloires.

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