Foreign Programs Committee Annual Report  
Academic Year 2015-2016

The committee met four times during the 2015-2016 academic year.

We considered annual reports from the Foreign Programs Office. We monitored the status of both Tufts and non-Tufts programs. We also considered petitions from students wishing to study in yet unapproved programs abroad.

Our Foreign Programs are a great strength of the Tufts curriculum, adding to our reputation as an excellent place to pursue international studies.

Presently, we are a part of a general trend toward fewer college students studying abroad. At this point, we can only speculate as to why this is happening: more interest in double and triple-majors, more concern with cost and employment upon graduation, and so on. Because fewer students feel they can be away for an entire year, one-semester options have become more popular.

The Foreign Programs Office continues to be efficiently and effectively run under the direction of Dean Sheila Bayne. This year we saw two changes in staff: TK was replaced by Interim Program Assistant Julie Dugan, and Brian Libby replaced by Interim Program Adviser Stephen Hall.

Respectfully for the committee,

Charles Shirō Inouye

Chair
Professor of Japanese
Co-Director of ILVS