

ISCA SUMMER PROGRAM 2011

GENERAL INFORMATION

The following information should provide parents and students with all the relevant details about our program. As a general policy, if you have any questions about these, please ask your Group Leader who will contact us if necessary. This applies before, during and after the program. Updates on telephone numbers will be provided nearer to the time.

FLIGHT DETAILS

E-tickets will be issued from our US office. These and flight details will be received by your Group Leader in May or will be sent directly to parents whose children are linking up with a group.

AIRPORT CONTACT

Groups will be met by ISCA faculty at Heathrow or Gatwick airport as they exit from customs. In the unlikely event that contact is not made, groups should proceed to the area designated as "The Meeting Point" and wait until they are met by ISCA faculty. Each faculty member will be wearing a blue rugby shirt with pink stripes and our logo which is the union jack on the front with the words ISCA in white with ISCA on the back in white and large. Coaches will transfer groups direct to the campus. This takes about 75 minutes.

PASSPORTS & VISAS

It is essential that each student and adult has a valid and up-to-date-passport. If not, you should allow plenty of time for your application to be processed. US citizens do not require visas but other nationalities might. Non-US citizens transiting the US also need visas.

INSURANCE

We carry extensive Public Liability and Employer's Liability insurance but travel insurance to cover trip cancellation, trip interruption, medical treatment etc. is not included in our price and must be taken out by parents either through our office or independently.

ADDRESS

Please note that mail arriving after the end of the program cannot be forwarded. It is far better to use email but if not, it is unwise to send mail to UK in the last week of the program. Our summer program mailing address from 11 July to 31 July inclusive is:

Name of Person
(Name of School Group)
ISCA
Charterhouse
Godalming
Surrey
GU7 2DF
UK

TELEPHONE

There are incoming and outgoing telephones for the students but with easy access to email these now tend to be used very infrequently. If you do want to call, the best time is between 9pm and 10pm British time. Due to the size of the campus, it might not be possible to link immediately with a student but a message will be taken and delivered at the earliest possible opportunity. Numbers and email are as follows (from abroad take omit the first zero then prefix with the international code):

Bodeites (Girls' House)	TBA (Main contact number for students and their teachers)
Robinites (Girls' House)	TBA (Main contact number for students and their teachers)
Pageites (Boys' House)	TBA (Main contact number for students and their teachers)
Office	TBA (Set to answerphone when unmanned)
Program Director	iscalink@aol.com (email address for use only in an emergency)

The campus plan can be seen at www.charterhouse.org.uk (click on *location maps*).

WEBSITE

The ISCA website can be found at www.iscaschools.com. During the program there will be regular podcasts and daily journals tracing the students' visits.

COMMUNICATION

All communications by telephone or correspondence should be directed to your group leader and any problems should be discussed at first instance with him/her. If necessary, he/she will consult us for appropriate advice.

FEDEX PARCELS

In the past students have been charged as much as £50 duty by customs & excise because forms have been completed inaccurately. Please note that for a student not to be charged by Fedex on receipt, you should check the box declaring that you will be responsible for excise duty.

MONEY

Travellers' cheques are no longer a sensible form of currency. Most students now use a Visa travel card which can be purchased in advance and topped up by parents. Full details regarding this can be found at www.aaa.com (find and click on *Travel* then *Travel Money*). It is also wise to carry some cash in pounds to cover any expenditure on the first day. The program price is fully inclusive but students should budget at least \$15 per day for pocket money.

MEDICAL

Students bringing medicines should declare these on arrival so they can be looked after, if necessary. We have 24 hour medical cover by the local doctor's practice, which is free. However, any further medical treatment requiring drugs or hospitalisation is not free for non-European Union citizens and you might be charged later by the physician or hospital. We also urge that teeth and braces be checked before travel to avoid unnecessary dental costs. As well as our own faculty, there is a matron resident at night in each house who is first-aid qualified.

BAGGAGE

Because laundry is done on campus, students do not need to pack a large amount and it should only be necessary to bring one medium-size suitcase. We also provide sports equipment such as tennis racquets, hockey sticks etc. Listening devices should not be brought unless playable through earphones and cell phones are not permitted as these have proved very disruptive to the program in the past. There is no formal dress requirement but students need to use common sense over what they wear and they might like to pack an outfit for special occasions. Electrical items, including hairdryers, should have a recommended converter pack. If they are of poor quality they will blow fuses.

CLOTHING LIST

The following list is comprehensive but not exclusive. All clothing should be machine-washable and clearly marked. Clothing is laundered on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays free of charge but there is no ironing and we are unable to accept responsibility for items which are lost, damaged or left behind.

- 1 small, lightweight, waterproof backpack
- 1 light waterproof garment with hood
- 1 sweater
- 2 pairs pants/trousers (e.g. Levis, jeans, cords)
- 2 long sleeved shirts
- 4 pairs socks
- 3 sets of underwear
- 2 T shirts
- 2 pairs sports shorts
- 2 pairs sports socks
- 1 sweat shirt
- 2 large towels (towels are not provided)
- 1 swimsuit
- 1 pair comfortable walking shoes
- 1 pair sports shoes (trainers/sneakers)
- 1 wash cloth (face flannel)
- 1 tube toothpaste
- 1 toothbrush
- 1 bar soap
- 1 hairbrush
- 1 comb
- 1 mouthguard for sports
- 1 plastic water bottle

ROOMING

Most bedrooms are single and students are placed in school groups on the same floor and in the same area.

EMAIL

There are computers in each house from where students can email during their free time. There is no charge for this facility. Access is by the internet through individual isp addresses. Students should not bring their own laptops.

CELL PHONES

Our policy regarding cell phones is to discourage their use because we have found that the students settle down more quickly without them but if parents feel more comfortable with their children bringing them, we will not object. However, we cannot be responsible for their loss or adequacy of reception and would ask that they are not brought onto the coaches and are used privately in bedrooms rather than in public places; there are also public telephones in each house.

WEATHER

The average temperature in July is 24C/75F with low humidity. Over the past 29 years it has been as high as 32C/90F (unusual) and as low as 15C/59F (also unusual). Rain in July is uncommon but it happens. Generally, it is advisable to be prepared for hot, warm, cold and wet weather!

EMERGENCY CONTACTS

Group Leaders should bring a complete list of emergency addresses, telephone numbers and email addresses of parents/guardians covering the whole period of absence. These should be given to us immediately on arrival. Please also bring a note of any serious medical or food issues.

BOOKLET

A comprehensive booklet detailing each day's itinerary, a plan of the campus, our code of conduct, a student list, a faculty list, an accommodation list and useful telephone numbers will be given to faculty and students on arrival at the airport. They keep these with them at all times. They will also be on the ISCA website.

MOVIES

On return from trips, movies and activities are arranged which are all voluntary. However, 4 movies have been chosen because they relate to the history which the students experience. These too are voluntary but well worth seeing. They are;

'A Man for All Seasons'	Henry V111's quarrel with the Catholic church and his Chancellor, Thomas More http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/A_Man_for_All_Seasons_(1966_film)
'Master & Commander'	Life on board ship in the British Navy of Nelson's day http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Master_and_Commander
'Shakespeare in Love'	Shakespeare and the Globe Theatre http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Shakespeare_in_Love
'Battle of Britain'	The Royal Air Force's battle to save Britain from Hitler's invasion forces in 1940. http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Battle_of_britain_movie

VISITOR DIRECTIONS TO CAMPUS FROM LONDON

Maps and directions can be found on the Charterhouse website at www.charterhouse.org.uk (click on *location maps*).

By Car: A3 out of London. Stay on the A3 until past Guildford. After passing under a road bridge look for the sign for Compton and Charterhouse and follow the signs for about 2 miles from there (Hurtmore and Charterhouse, should you miss the first sign). From the centre of London (Piccadilly Circus) the distance is 44 miles and the travel time is about one hour.

By Train: Trains leave every 30 minutes from London, Waterloo, to Godalming from where it is a 25 minute walk or 5 min taxi ride to Charterhouse. Journey time from London is about 45 minutes.

SCHOOLS

The following schools and faculty will be attending our Summer Program.

Brookstone	Columbus	Georgia	(Cassandra Kennon)
Charlotte Latin	Charlotte	N Carolina	(Sharon Oats)
Girls' Preparatory	Chattanooga	Tennessee	(Elaine Milazzo)
Hiram Bingham	Lima	Peru	(Wendy Shermuly)
Masters	Dobbs Ferry	New York	(Peter Hourigan)
Newton College	Lima	Peru	(Pilar Oliva)
Ranney	Tinton Falls	New Jersey	(Nancy King)
Trinity Lutheran	Newport News	Virginia	(Colly Burgwyn)
Woodward Academy	Atlanta	Georgia	(Penny Barber)