

HOTCHKISS IN THE WORLD

2023-24 TRAVEL, LANGUAGE, AND IMMERSION PROGRAMS



HOTCHKISS

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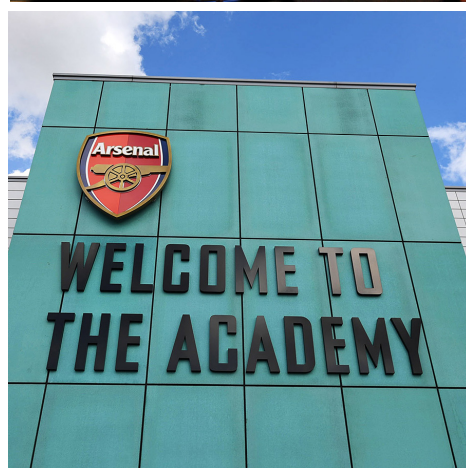
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Dear students and families,

We have planned a number of exciting opportunities to help students learn in ways that are not possible in Lakeville. Although these sojourns – whether in the U.S. or to other countries – take us far from campus, they are rooted in the Hotchkiss academic and co-curricular programs.

To learn more about any of the programs described in this catalog, please contact the leaders listed in this brochure. More detailed itineraries, costs, and schedules for pre-departure orientation sessions will be available in the months to come.

An electronic application for all of the programs has been made available to students. Students can also apply electronically for grants from the Funds for Global Understanding, which exist to support travel, cultural immersion, and community-based work in the developing world.

IMPORTANT DEADLINES:

October 2, 2023, 10:00 p.m. EST — Program applications and grant proposals for Hotchkiss in Poland/Slovakia and Hotchkiss in Germany.

November 1, 2023 10:00 p.m. EST — Program applications and grant proposals for March Break Hotchkiss programs (Hotchkiss in Colombia, Hotchkiss in Italy, and Hotchkiss in Singapore), as well as interest forms for Hotchkiss in Québec and March Break athletic travel.

December 15, 2023 10:00 p.m. EST — Program applications for the MacLeish Scholars program.

February 7, 2024 10:00 p.m. EST — Program applications and grant proposals for summer Hotchkiss programs, Hersey Scholars, and Watson Fellowship, as well as grant proposals for other summer travel are due.

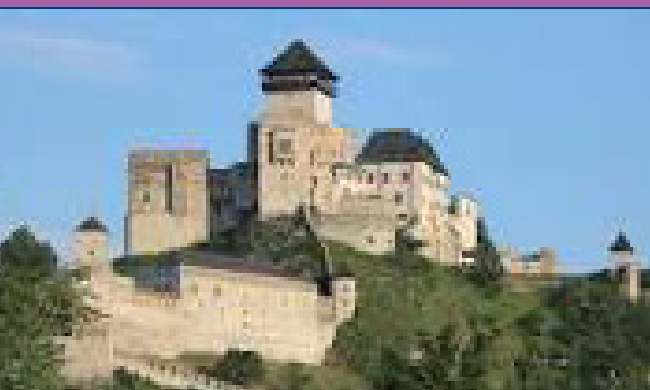
Please contact me with any questions, and I hope that you have fun exploring these opportunities!



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Hotchkiss in Poland and Slovakia (Culture and history)

November 18-27, 2023



ESTIMATED COST

\$4,800: Includes international airfare, ground transportation, meals, accommodation, and program.

LEADERS

Keith Moon and Carita Gardiner

APPLICATION DEADLINE

October 2, 2023 by 10:00 p.m. EST



During our Thanksgiving break, 10-14 students will travel to Poland and Slovakia to explore the history and culture of those important Eastern European countries.

While in Poland, our focus will be on World War II and 20th century history, and our travels will include important sites in and near Warsaw, Krakow, and elsewhere in Poland, including the Uprising Museum, Warsaw Ghetto, the Black Madonna of Czestochowa, the Auschwitz-Birkenau concentration camp, Oscar Schindler's factory, and Wawel Castle.

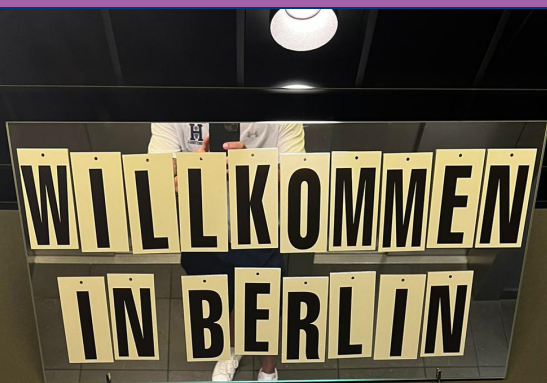
In Slovakia, we will stay in the ancient town of Trencin, spend a day with Special Olympics Slovakia athletes and staff, and visit the Hotchkiss Swimathon-sponsored Dream Day Care for Ukrainian refugee children in Bratislava.

Our goal will be to understand Poland and Slovakia's linchpin significance in European history and politics in the 20th and 21st centuries.

Please note: A visa may be required for students who do not hold a U.S. passport. All meals will be covered except on the international travel days at the airports. We will do considerable walking, regardless of weather, so students should be prepared for that and know that not all sites will be accessible to those with disabilities in the same ways they might be in the United States.

Hotchkiss in Germany (Culture and history)

December 13 - 21, 2023



ESTIMATED COST

\$3,400: Includes international RT airfare from JFK, ground transportation, meals, accommodation, and program.

LEADERS

Marc Dittmer and Abe Bonn

APPLICATION DEADLINE

October 2, 2023 by 10:00 p.m. EST

The magic of the winter season in Germany is at your fingertips as Hotchkiss embarks on a journey to Berlin.

Berlin, the capital city of a once again united Germany, overflows with opportunities to experience arts and entertainment while learning more about the rich history of a place that still - intentionally - bears the scars of darker times. Museums, architecture, food, and opportunities for amusement abound. We'll explore the historic center and the surrounding classical sites, visit museums of international renown, as well as memorials that will require somber reflection. We will have our senses reinvigorated by the smells of Lebkuchen, the sounds of the philharmonic, the sights of grand architecture, and the feel of a city of the world at its holiday best.

Though this is a language and cultural immersion program, you do not have to speak German to apply.

Please note: A visa may be required for students who do not hold a U.S. passport. We will take the Hotchkiss bus to JFK Airport on December 13th. Students should make their own travel plans home from JFK airport on December 21st, as we will not be returning to Lakeville. All meals are included except on international travel days. We will do considerable walking, regardless of weather, so students should be prepared with appropriate shoes and clothing, and also know that not all sites will be accessible to those with disabilities in the same ways they might be in the United States.

Hotchkiss in Québec (300-level French students)

January 11-14, 2024



ESTIMATED COST

\$465: Includes transportation, all meals, accommodation, and program.

LEADERS

Sarinda Parsons Wilson,
Souleman Toure and Abdoulaye Fall

APPLICATION DEADLINE

November 1, 2023 by 10:00 p.m. EST



Although only four days long, this full immersion into French-Canadian culture and language is a wonderful opportunity to improve students' French skills and see the material covered in class come alive.

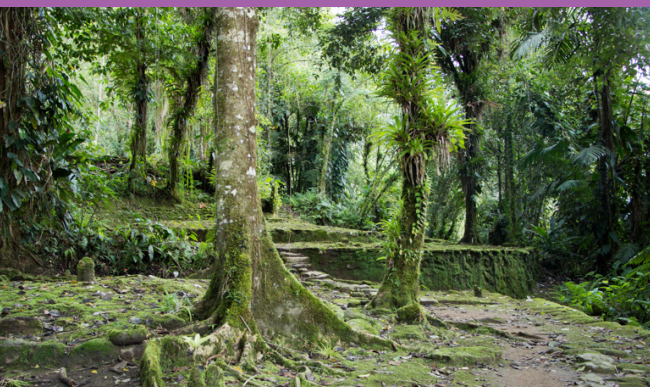
We are working in partnership with l'Ecole Le Salésien, a Round Square school in Sherbrooke. Students and teachers will spend three nights with carefully chosen host families, and a bilingual guide will lead daytime activities in Québec City.

Our itinerary will include a variety of cultural and historical visits, a day of classes with our hosts, as well as several outdoor activities in the brisk winter air. Students will be prepared for the immersion aspect of the trip through readings and discussions on French-Canadian culture, all part of the French 350 and 380 curricula. Year after year, students gain comfort with the language they study together on campus, but they also learn beyond their French classrooms, gain confidence in themselves, and build friendships.

Please note: Hats, mittens, snow boots, and French are required! This program is open to students in French 350 and 380; as it is part of the course, there is a different application process. Depending on citizenship, students may require visas, and should begin the process *as soon as the group is finalized*. The program will be limited to a maximum of 22 students.

Hotchkiss in Colombia (SP 250 and higher language immersion)

March 8 – 17, 2024



ESTIMATED COST

\$4,900: Includes international airfare, meals, accommodation, and program.

LEADERS

Sara Forbes and Kristy Glasheen

APPLICATION DEADLINE

November 1, 2023 by 10:00 p.m. EST



Hotchkiss in Colombia: Pathways to Peace will take you on a journey through the country's rich history, from its colonial past to the present day. While practicing our Spanish, we will seek to learn more about Colombia by learning about the efforts of various communities to build sustainable peace after years of conflict, and in particular how music, dance, and art have played a role in this process.

We will have the opportunity to immerse ourselves in the vibrant culture of Colombia, from the bustling streets of Bogotá to the idyllic Caribbean coast and the coffee-rich Andes. We'll savor the flavors of local cuisine and witness the stunning natural beauty that has inspired generations of Colombians. Along the way we'll connect with various people that have connections to Hotchkiss: fellow Round Square schools and Hotchkiss alumni in Bogotá, and a street squash program in Cartagena.

Please note: This program is open to students in Spanish 250 or above, or with prior, equivalent experience with the language. Participants will be asked to embrace this Spanish immersion opportunity to improve their listening and speaking skills. Students should make their own travel plans home from JFK airport on March 17, as we will not be returning to Lakeville.

Hotchkiss in Rome 2024

March 8-17, 2024



ESTIMATED COST

\$2,700 Includes RT airfare from JFK, lodging, meals, and entrance to museums and tours.

LEADERS

David Conti and Katie Fleishman

APPLICATION DEADLINE

November 1, 2023 by 10:00 p.m. EST



The Hotchkiss Classics Program is excited to provide a week-long program in Italy for all students who are interested in the ancient world and the continuing influence of Greece and Rome.

This journey will rely on many of the texts read in the Latin and Greek classes here at Hotchkiss, with translations provided to all students.

We'll start in the south, on the Bay of Naples, where the Greeks first arrived in Italy. We'll explore the streets of Pompeii, climb to the crater of Mt. Vesuvius, and spend an afternoon relaxing on Capri. In the city of Paestum, students will have opportunities to see connections between the Roman period and the Greek world. Our base will be the Villa Vergiliana, a study center maintained by the Vergilian Society in Cumae.

We'll then head north to Rome to experience the bustle that Horace wrote about in his satires and the Forum described by Cicero. Starting with the earliest structures on the Palatine Hill, we'll move chronologically through the monarchy and republic to the grand Imperial buildings. We'll visit the Vatican Museum and St. Peter's Basilica, as well as smaller museums and churches throughout the city. We'll stay in the heart of Rome and eat at traditional restaurants in the city center. We'll take breaks in the Piazza Navona and have a gelato or two in the midst of our travels.

Please note: Depending on citizenship, students may require visas, and should begin the process as soon as the group is finalized. The program ends on March 17 at JFK airport, and students need to plan travel home for the remainder of the break. We want to recognize that it is through the generosity of Hotchkiss graduates and families that we can offer this experience at this price.

Hotchkiss in Singapore (Chinese language and culture immersion)

March 9 - 17, 2024



ESTIMATED COST

\$5,800 Includes round trip airfare from JFK, lodging, meals, and program.

LEADER

Wei Liu and Jingxia Yang

APPLICATION DEADLINE

November 1, 2023 by 10:00 p.m. EST



Hotchkiss proudly presents its March Break program in Singapore, a journey that marries academic enlightenment with both language and cultural immersion. As a country that seamlessly blends tradition with modernity, Singapore also stands as a testament to the power of dual language capability, where both Chinese and English thrive as official languages.

This program, designed for our students who are passionate about Chinese, seeks to delve into Singapore's intricate tapestry of history, its vibrant cultural scene, the pillars of its robust economy, and its unique approach to city and country management.

This journey of cultural exploration includes:

- Singapore Chinatown Merlion Park
- Chinese Hot Pot
- Bumboat River Cruise
- Gardens By the Bay Marina Bay
- Sands NEWater Centre
- Housing Development Board
- Singapore Mobility Gallery and more!

Please note: This program has an emphasis on Chinese language and culture, and is open only to students who are enrolled in the Hotchkiss Chinese program. Preference will be given to students enrolled in 300-level courses or higher. All students of Mandarin are encouraged to apply, however.

Hersey Scholars
(Research on history,
political science, culture,
and/or philosophy)

June 18-30, 2024



ESTIMATED COST

Room, board, and program are covered by a generous grant to the School. Travel to and from the program is the responsibility of the student.

LEADERS

Dr. Lianne Norman and
Dr. Thomas Fisher

APPLICATION DEADLINE

February 7, 2024, 10:00 pm EST



The Hersey Scholars Program is named in honor of Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist and novelist, John Hersey, Hotchkiss Class of 1932. Hersey's investigative reporting on the bombing of Hiroshima revealed the true impact of the bomb and the effects of radiation sickness that had not been disclosed to the public. His work contributed to establishing a "nuclear taboo" in war.

Hersey Scholars learn how to conduct archival research and execute a substantial research project of their own design. The program begins with a two-week summer session in Cambridge/Boston, where students comb through the archives of Harvard's Houghton and Schlesinger libraries during the day and meet with teachers in the evening to organize their findings and direct their searches for the next day.

In the fall, Hersey Scholars enroll in Advanced Research Methods in the Humanities, where they build on their archival work from the summer while learning about the theory and practice of contemporary academic research in the humanities. In the spring, Scholars enroll in the Hersey Seminar where they develop their proposal from the fall into a capstone paper through graduate-seminar-style workshops and presentations.

Please note: Program applications are reviewed by a faculty committee, who also conduct interviews of applicants. Eight to ten students are selected each year, and preparation for the summer program begins immediately upon selection.

Hotchkiss Girls Ice Hockey Germany, Austria and Italy

August 9-17, 2024



ESTIMATED COST

\$4,200 Includes accommodations, round trip airfare, 2 meals a day, all ground transportation, and guided tours/visits/activities/sites listed in itinerary.

LEADERS

Kelsie Fralick, Sydney Minnehan, and Beth Smithey

APPLICATION DEADLINE

February 7, 2024, 10:00 p.m. EST



This program is a combination of ice hockey and cultural immersion in Germany, Austria, and Italy. We will begin our journey in Munich with a bike tour, and then from there go to Innsbruck, Austria, Bolzano, Italy, and then finish our time in Europe in the area around Salzburg, Germany.

Along the way we will have a number of different experiences that will help us learn about these distinct locations and ourselves as a team. We will spend an entire day at the Dachau Memorial Site, reflecting on the history of the place. We will have an adventure day in the Austrian Alps near Innsbruck and also sightsee and enjoy life in the German Alps near Salzburg. We will play three exhibition games in three different countries - Austria, Italy, and Germany, and be challenged by different styles of play. Our final day will be one of relaxation in nature, with a visit to a lake and local wellness center with indoor/outdoor pools outside of Salzburg.

Please note: This program will be open to all returning girls Varsity and JV players who have tried out for Varsity. Depending on citizenship, students may require visas, and should begin the process as soon as the group is finalized.

Hotchkiss Boys Varsity Soccer UK Preseason

August 16-25, 2024



ESTIMATED COST

\$5,900 per person. Includes accommodations, round trip airfare, 2 meals a day, all ground transportation, and guided tours/visits/activities/sites listed in itinerary.

LEADERS

Mario Williams, Abe Bonn, and Athena staff

APPLICATION DEADLINE

February 7, 2024 by 10:00 p.m. EST



The Hotchkiss Boys Varsity Soccer Program will be traveling to London for our 2024 preseason. We will provide an elite training and competitive play experience, while exploring a cultural context that grants us access to some of the world's best soccer instruction and competition in the birthplace of the modern game.

We will walk in the footsteps of Arsenal FC and international stars such as Tony Adams, Ashley Cole, Cesc Fabregas and Bukayo Saka at the club's Hale End Academy and home ground, Emirates Stadium. We will play in professional-grade facilities against international competition.

Preseason provides a special opportunity for our team to bond and learn the core values that unite us under the banner of Hotchkiss soccer. Our personal and cultural learning in the UK will be valuable as we navigate the upcoming NEPSAC season and lean on lessons learned about trust, teamwork, and adaptability that will be explored as we traverse the London cityscape together. Activities will range from sightseeing bus tours and Thames River cruises to exploration of Camden Market and famous museums such as the National Gallery. Arsenal Foundation representatives will discuss the grassroots work the club does to empower underserved communities through sport.

These opportunities will provide team members with an analytical lens with which to examine their own home contexts, allowing them to engage their peers in novel ways and enabling them to ask informed questions about their role at Hotchkiss and in society as student-athletes..

Please note: Participants must be current members of the Boys Varsity Soccer team, new incoming Boys Varsity Soccer recruited team members, or invitees from the Boys Junior Varsity Soccer team. Visas are required for many visitors to the UK, so it is important to begin the application process as soon as the group has been selected.

Hotchkiss in Spain Summer Music Program

Approximate dates:

June 21 - July 4, 2024 (Madrid)

July 5 - July 10, 2024 (Granada)



ESTIMATED COST

\$3,800 per student, including food, ground transportation, lodging and program for Las Rozas. Note that this *does not include international airfare*.

\$1,800 for Granada. *Does not include international airfare.*

LEADERS

Gisele Witkowski and
Fabio Witkowski

APPLICATION DEADLINE

February 7, 2024, 10:00 p.m. EST



Students embrace the rhythms of daily life in Spain in the unique setting of Las Rozas de Madrid.

While engaging in their chosen course of study, students will thrive in the stimulating environment of a Music Festival – daily lessons, rehearsals, concerts, master classes. Activities will be complemented by excursions to significant points of interest in the area: museums, churches, art galleries, and architectural landmarks.

Music: Hotchkiss Head of the Arts Department and Director of the Music Program Fabio Witkowski and Gisele Nacif Witkowski, both music teachers at Hotchkiss, will oversee the music program, which will offer a full immersion study experience in piano and orchestra instruments.

A routine day consists of ample individual practice time, private lessons or masterclasses with guest performers, and ensemble rehearsals in addition to attending a concert or visiting a cultural site. All students will be able to enhance their technique and musical understanding. As a culminating experience, all students participate in at least one public performance.

Please note: Spaces are limited for each program. In addition, visas are required for many visitors to Spain, so it is important to begin the application process *as soon as* the group has been selected.

MacLeish Scholars

(Archival research on literature, creative writing, and bookbinding)

June 8-23, 2024



ESTIMATED COST

Room, board, and program are covered by a generous grant from Richard Bernstein '64. Travel to and from the program is the responsibility of the student.

LEADERS

Dr. Jeffrey Blevins, Janan Alexandra, and program staff Neil Daigle-Orians

APPLICATION DEADLINE

December 15, 2023, 10:00 pm EST



The MacLeish Scholars Program is named in honor of Pulitzer Prize-winning poet Archibald MacLeish, Hotchkiss Class of 1911. MacLeish graduated from Yale and authored more than 50 works of poetry, nonfiction, and drama.

From our home in Yale's Beinecke Library, students undertake archival research on a literary subject, complete a substantial creative writing project, and practice classical forms of papermaking, bookbinding, and letterpress printing. The two week summer program is followed by a year-long honors course in which students build their summer research into a substantial senior thesis.

During the summer, scholars and faculty will live and eat in the dormitories at Yale. Mornings will be spent researching in the Beinecke, and many hours will be set aside for writing and workshopping as a group. Evening meetings with teachers will ensure that Scholars are gathering sufficient primary documents through the broad canvassing of papers related to their author or subject.

To complement their research and academic writing, Scholars will undertake a creative project during their afternoons such as a book of poems, a set of short stories, or a novella. Scholars will also work with an experienced printer towards the goal of producing an artistic, personal product to hold (and to display) their creative work. Scholars will create their own book, doing everything from designing the cover, choosing and setting the font, making the book's paper, and binding it in a manner of their choosing.

Please note: A faculty committee reviews all applications and interviews candidates. Ten students are selected by early spring, and preparation for the program begins immediately upon selection.