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TENTATIVE DATES: January 24 to May 10, 2025 (16 Weeks) • Dates for the Los Angeles Semester may differ slightly from Hofstra’s on-campus semester calendar. Students will be required to arrive on check-in day, be present for orientation days, and stay in LA until the program is complete. Students will also be expected to attend a series of mandatory group and individual preparatory meetings during the Fall 2024 semester.

ELIGIBILITY: Open to Herbert School majors. Preference will be given to qualified rising juniors and seniors. A minimum 3.0 cumulative grade point average is recommended.

APPLICATION: Acceptance decisions are based on a full review which includes a statement of interest, two (2) faculty references, current resume, LinkedIn profile, and meeting with the Los Angeles Semester Director and On-Site Coordinator.

ANTICIPATED ACADEMIC OFFERINGS

Cross Listed Course RTVF, JRL, MS, PR	Hofstra Los Angeles Semester Class	3 cr
Mass 104	Media and the Law	3 cr
PR 121	Entertainment Publicity and Promotion	3 cr
RTVF 134	The TV Industry	3 cr
RTVF 148	Producing the Motion Picture	3 cr
RTVF, JRNL, MASS, PR 170	Internship (<i>Credit will depend on major, individual program, progress</i>)	3-6 cr

Students accepted into the semester program who have already taken one or more of these courses will meet with Dean Roberts at the beginning of the Fall 2024 Semester for individual advising.

INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES: Los Angeles is the “Creative Capital of the World” and home to major studios, production companies, media streaming powerhouses, broadcast network studio operations, recording labels, radio stations, sports franchises and events, newspapers and entertainment industry publications, public relations and strategic communications firms, and talent agencies, including:

The Walt Disney Company | FOX | Creative Artists Agency (CAA) | ESPN | The Los Angeles Times | Paramount | DreamWorks | Sony Pictures Entertainment | Variety | Universal Music Group | NBCUniversal | Warner Bros. Discovery | William Morris Endeavor (WME) | KABC-TV | iHeartMedia | Magical Elves | Dodgers | Sunshine Sachs | Warner Music Group | Red Bull | FOX Sports | Sony Music | Telemundo | FleishmanHillard | Blumhouse | Live Nation Entertainment | A&E Networks | and others...

ALUMNI CONNECTIONS

Hofstra alumni are directors, producers, writers, showrunners, editors, publicists, on-air talent, agents, managers, journalists, and professionals in development, public relations, marketing, business affairs, casting, and more...

LOCATION - HOUSING AND CLASSROOMS

Students will stay together in suite-style dorms at Emerson College's Los Angeles (ELA) campus. Located in the heart of Hollywood, ELA features a communal outdoor terrace complete with a fire pit and gas grills, penthouse kitchen space with televisions, laundry room, underground parking, and views of the Hollywood sign and downtown Los Angeles. In-person Hofstra courses will take place on-site in ELA's interactive classrooms. The ELA facility employs 24/7 security staff stationed inside the front entrance of the building. Students will have access to a LA-based program coordinator, as well as a network of supportive alumni mentors.

GETTING AROUND

Students will be able to walk to many nearby amenities. Detailed information about public transportation, ride-share apps, car rental options, and parking will be provided to students admitted into the LA Semester program. For select group trips and program activities, transportation will be provided.

ACTIVITIES

A variety of day trips to iconic LA sites, studio tours, cultural events, and opportunities to connect with alumni and other industry professionals will be planned for Hofstra students. Additionally, Hofstra students may be invited to attend select activities organized by other universities as part of the LA Study Away consortium. This may include guest speakers, comedy shows, and outdoor excursions and wellness events.

APPROXIMATE COST OF ATTENDANCE

Billed By Hofstra University Tuition, housing, and LA semester fees are estimates and subject to change.	
The LA Semester tuition will be the same as Hofstra University's on-campus tuition for full-time students	2024/25 Tuition
LA Semester Housing	\$6,825
LA Semester Program Fee - Covers program-related costs including, but not limited to, administrative expenses, group activities and events	\$3,900
Other Estimated Expenses – Not Included in Billable Items Students should set a realistic budget for their personal expenses during the program. The following is an estimated budget which is variable based on each student's situation.	
Estimated Ground Transportation	Up to \$2,400
Estimated Groceries and Meals	Up to \$2,500
Estimated Spending Money	Up to \$1,000
Estimated Books and Supplies	\$200
Estimated Domestic R/T Airfare	\$500

Financial aid packages are applied toward billable costs. Selected students will receive detailed information about financial aid. The Herbert School offers donor-funded, need-based sponsorships to help offset costs of study away programs. Accepted students will be able to request consideration for need-based sponsorship support. Deposit and balance deadlines, as well as course registration information and other important dates will be provided to students once they are accepted into the LA Semester program.

Hofstra University may cancel a program due to safety concerns, low enrollment, or other reasons that substantially inhibit operations in the planned location. Any deposit will be refunded if Hofstra University cancels your program. Hofstra University will not refund the cost of any airfare or travel arrangements purchased, therefore you should not make any prepaid travel arrangements before you are advised to do so by your Program Director.