

Out of Town Travel Committee

Mission:

To develop and implement informational and/or educational trips and travel events with destinations outside of the New York City metropolitan area to encourage and facilitate social, learning, and academic interactions among IRP members.

Activities:

The Out of Town Travel Committee plans and implements a minimum of two trips outside of the New York City metropolitan area each semester scheduled for intersession breaks and summer vacation periods.

Meetings take place as needed before and after each event. Potential trips are identified by committee members based on their interests and experiences as well as feedback from surveys and informal conversations with IRP members. The Committee also interacts with the On The Town Committee, sharing information and travel preferences of members.

All potential trips and travel events are submitted to the IRP Advisory Board prior to presentation to the IRP membership. The Out of Town Travel Committee evaluates its effectiveness in a written report issued by the Committee at the end of each spring semester including a summary of the trips conducted during the academic year, the level of participation by IRP members, and an over-all assessment of each trip's success. The report includes recommendations for future planning.

Committee Membership - Skills and Experience:

Committee members should have a significant background of domestic and international travel. In addition, committee members help to promote fellowship and the sharing of experiences among participants.

Committee Selection Process:

The Committee has a minimum of three members including the Chairperson. The term of membership is four years.

Committee members are chosen by the Committee Chairperson in consultation with the Committee members and the Director. Announcements of openings for Committee membership, along with instructions on how to apply, are posted in the IRP Observer and on the IRPZine.