

Registration Form
Weekend Immersion Program
Fairfield University - Fairfield, Conn.

Program date: October 23 - 25, 2009
Registration deadline: October 9, 2009

Please select language and approximate level:

☐ Arabic ☐ French ☐ Italian ☐ Spanish ☐ Brazilian Portuguese

☐ Advanced Beginner ☐ Intermediate Low ☐ Intermediate High

Thank you for your interest in the WIP! This form must be submitted with the \$100 non-refundable registration fee.

Please mail to: Fairfield University
 University College
 1073 North Benson Rd.
 Fairfield, CT 06824-5195

Please print clearly.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone #: _____

E-Mail: _____

Occupation: _____

How did you hear about this program? _____

Have you participated in the ALPS program at Dartmouth College? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Payment method: (check one)

☐ Check ☐ Money Order ☐ Visa ☐ MasterCard

VISA or M/C # _____

Expires _____ Amount Paid \$ _____

Signature _____

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University College at Fairfield University and
 The Rassias Center for World Languages
 and Cultures at Dartmouth College

ARABIC, BRAZILIAN PORTUGUESE,
 FRENCH, ITALIAN, SPANISH*

October 23 – 25, 2009

* Please inquire about future offerings in
 Chinese, German, Japanese, and Russian

The Weekend Immersion Program (WIP)



Greetings to all our WIP alumni and friends! As a professor at Fairfield University and as the academic director of the WIPs, I am happy to welcome you to this program in partnership with the Rassias Center for World Languages and Cultures at Dartmouth College.

Professor John Rassias, president of the Rassias Center, joins me in wishing you every success here at the Fairfield University WIP.

The Rassias Method® was developed for training Peace Corps volunteers in the early 1960s and later adapted to college-level instruction. This approach is a combination of dramatic techniques, rhythmic drills, and energetic reinforcement strategies that make learning an engaging experience while significantly reducing the learner's self-consciousness and fear of making mistakes.

Your language learning will thrive on the good humor and energy of the Rassias Method. If you want to reinforce and improve your language skills but have limited time, the WIP is the perfect program for you! In just three days you will learn more and noticeably improve your ability to speak the language.

The upcoming WIP will take place on the Fairfield University campus. We hope to see you here for many WIPs to come!

– Joel Goldfield, Ph.D.

About the Rassias Method

"To Rassias, language is ritual celebration, a momentous, living theatre. He knows that emotion and rhythm and movement make people remember things."

–Linnell Smith, *The Baltimore Sun*

The aim of the Rassias Method is to make the student feel comfortable and natural with the language in as short a time as possible. This is achieved through a series of specific teaching procedures, techniques, and tools that:

- Create and maintain a dynamic classroom pace and atmosphere, thus capturing student attention.
- Provide for unusually high student involvement in the use of the language (an average student response rate is 65 times per hour).
- Foster spontaneity of expression and creative use of the language, even in the earliest weeks of training.
- Help learners overcome their natural self-consciousness and fear of mistakes.
- Emphasize the relevance of the language to the student's own life and experience.

Program Details

Language Levels

Advanced beginner, low through high intermediate. Phone interview required. Interviews will be conducted within a week of registration. Confirmation of student participation sent one week prior to program commencement.

Meals

Lunches with staff are part of the program and are included in the cost. Breakfast and dinner are at the student's expense. Transportation is not provided to these meals.

Lodging

Participants may stay at the Best Western Black Rock Inn (203) 659-2200 or (866) 922-ROCK, or the Fairfield Inn (203) 255-0491, both located five minutes' drive from campus. Additional rooms can be found at the Westport Inn (203) 259-5236 and the Inn at Longshore (203) 266-3316.

Airport Information

The most convenient airports to Fairfield University are Westchester/White Plains Airport, LaGuardia Airport, and Bradley International. JFK International and Newark Airports, not much farther away, also have convenient public transportation to Fairfield, Conn.

Tuition and Fees

Tuition is \$535 which includes a \$100 non-refundable registration fee. The \$100 non-refundable registration fee is due upon registration. Full payment is due 10 days prior to class.

Refund

A 50% tuition refund, less \$100 registration fee, will be issued if you cancel prior to program commencement.

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Register early to reserve your spot.

Discount Policy

If two members of a family or business attend, the second person gets a 10% discount. If three or more attend, each person receives a 10% discount. One discount per person.

Cancellation Policy

Rassias Foundation and Fairfield University reserve the right to cancel classes. A full refund would be issued.

Sample Schedule*

Friday

Noon to 1:30 p.m.Orientation and lunch
1:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.Class with breaks

Saturday

9 a.m. to 1 p.m.Class with breaks
1 p.m. to 2 p.m.Lunch with staff
2 p.m. to 6 p.m.Class with breaks
6 p.m. to 7 p.m.Drill and cultural event

Sunday

9 a.m. to 1 p.m.Class with breaks
1 p.m. to 2 p.m.Lunch with staff
2 p.m. to 3 p.m.Class
3 p.m. to 4 p.m.Graduation

**Schedule subject to change*