ACCOMMODATIONS
Students will live in family homestays in safe neighborhoods in the city of Amman. Host families will provide daily meals and will provide each student with the experience of modern Jordanian family life. In addition, there will be a one-week homestay experience in a rural Bedouin community during the semester, where accommodations will be more modest.

EXCURSIONS
The short excursions planned will highlight Jordan’s natural history and resources and show the contrasts between urban and rural Jordan. Students will visit Petra (a World Heritage Site), the Wadi Rum desert and the port city of Aqaba. If conditions permit, there will be a week-long excursion to Egypt, enabling students to compare and contrast Jordanian policies and culture with this neighboring country.

GOING ABROAD WITH THE CGE
Students will be charged standard HWS tuition and fees plus a $550 administrative fee. This will cover credit for a four-course semester, health insurance and all course-related expenses, including excursions. Note that no room and board charge is included. Students will pay room and board fees for the homestay directly to S.I.T. Additional expenses not covered include airfare, books, visa, immunizations, and personal expenses (laundry, entertainment, ground transportation and independent travel). We estimate airfare for this program at $1200-$1400 from the East Coast, books at $250, and visa/immunizations at $150. It is difficult to give an accurate estimate of personal expenses because student spending habits differ considerably. We would suggest a minimum of $1200 above and beyond room and board expenses. However, students on a tight budget should be able to manage with less. If you are concerned about finances, we strongly encourage you to talk to the CGE staff who can offer information and advice based on our specific situation.

APPLICATION DEADLINE
- This program is offered every semester.
- Applications are available at the Center for Global Education.
- Applications are due at the CGE office on selected dates in October (for Fall programs) and March (for Spring programs). For specific dates contact the CGE.

NOTE: The information contained in this brochure is subject to change. Please see the CGE for more information.

The ancient city of Petra
AMMAN, JORDAN

Ancient ruins rise amid the bustle of the modern city of Amman

ABOUT JORDAN
The Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, a moderate Arab state coming to terms with political responsibility, social change, and the effects of regional conflict provides students with unique opportunities for study abroad. Jordan has made enormous strides recently in health care, literacy, and democratic and economic reform. However, it remains challenged by a lack of natural resources, environmental concerns, economic and social issues, and the impact of Palestinian immigrants and refugees, who now make up more than half of the nation’s population. More recently, Iraqi refugees have been pouring into the country and changing the demographic and physical landscapes of the capital. This makes Jordan an ideal place for students with interests in development, social change and political reform, as well as for those with an interest in Islam, Arabic studies, or with a general interest in the Middle East to launch their studies in the region.

The program is based in the capital city of Amman, both a modern industrial city of over 3 million people and an ancient, historic city with roots going back 8,000 years.

THE PROGRAM
This program is offered in affiliation with the School for International Training (SIT), an organization that has placed U.S. students in rigorous, highly specialized programs throughout the world for decades. HWS students will join other students from colleges throughout the U.S. to share course work, excursions and the study of place. A unique feature of the program is that all students will design and carry out, in consultation with SIT and HWS faculty, a four-week long independent field study project within the city of Amman in any of a broad number of academic areas. See more at SIT’s website: www.sit.edu/studyabroad/ssa_jor.htm

COURSES
All students will enroll in three courses PLUS the independent field study project for a total of 4 HWS course credits. These classes are: Intensive Arabic, Seminar in Modernization and Social Change and a Field Study seminar in research methods. For a detailed description of these courses and the full academic program please visit SIT’s website: http://www.sit.edu/SSA_Program_documents/jor.pdf

ACADEMIC FOCUS
This program is suited to students in many fields, but will be of particular interest to those studying economic development, international relations, gender studies, politics, environmental studies, religious studies and sociology.

ELIGIBILITY
This program is open to juniors and seniors (and sophomores in exceptional circumstances) in good academic and social standing with a minimum GPA of 3.0. Due to the challenging nature of study abroad and this location in particular, student academic and disciplinary records will be carefully screened. Preference in admission will be given to students who have already undertaken one or more courses in Middle Eastern studies. All admitted students will be required to take an additional Middle East content course prior to departure for Jordan.