### Page 1, Q3. Major

| 1 | Cognitive Science | Jun 18, 2011 12:08 PM |

### Page 1, Q4. Program (City, Country, Program Sponsor)

| 1 | Istanbul, Turkey CIEE | Jun 18, 2011 12:08 PM |

### Page 2, Q2. To what extent did you succeed in accomplishing your goals? Why did you succeed or not?

| 1 | I succeeded about 50%. I don't know why. | Jun 18, 2011 12:09 PM |

### Page 3, Q1. How many students were on the program?

| 1 | 30-40 | Jun 18, 2011 12:10 PM |

### Page 3, Q2. How many Oxy students?

| 1 | 1 | Jun 18, 2011 12:10 PM |

### Page 3, Q3. Please comment on the goals and academic abilities of your fellow students. How were they similar/dissimilar to yours?

| 1 | They were mostly the same. | Jun 18, 2011 12:10 PM |

### Page 3, Q4. Describe the background of your classmates, e.g., all Americans, all Oxy students.

| 1 | All Americans from various parts of the country studying various disciplines. | Jun 18, 2011 12:10 PM |
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Page 3, Q5. Describe your housing situation.

1 First semester I lived on campus in dorms, second semester I lived with a host family.  

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Page 4, Q2. In which of the following did you participate:

1 I participated in psychology research conducted on campus.  

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Page 4, Q3. List any courses and/or professors you would recommend.

1 Professors: Murat Ergin, Biray Kolloglu, Cigdem Kagitcibasi, Lemi Baruh  
Courses: Crime and Deviance, Turkish Society in Comparative Perspective, Culture and Behavior  

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Page 4, Q4. List any courses and/or professors you would suggest avoiding.

1 Mythology and Religion  

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Page 5, Q2. What was your COLLEGE language background before going abroad?

1 We were not required to learn Turkish before the program.  

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Page 6, Q2. Did you contact Oxy alum living abroad as part of the Alumni and Study Abroad Partnership Program (ASAPP)?

1 No.  

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Page 6, Q3. What strategies can you recommend for meeting locals and making friends?

1 Explore! Don't be afraid to sit and chat!  

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Page 6, Q3. What strategies can you recommend for meeting locals and making friends?

Page 6, Q4. Were there aspects of the culture with which you were not comfortable?

1. It made me feel uncomfortable that I might be seen by strangers over-sexually wearing something that would be very acceptable in the US.  

Page 7, Q1. How much did you spend on airfare to/from your program?

1. ~$2000  

Page 7, Q3. What was the approximate exchange rate during your stay?

1. .6  

Page 7, Q4. How much did you spend on books and supplies?

1. 200-300 TL  

Page 7, Q5. How much did you spend on local transportation to/from daily class?

1. 2TL  

Page 7, Q6. How much did you spend on personal travel during your time abroad? Please specify length and nature of your personal travel.

1. 1000+TL. I traveled all over Turkey for short weekend trips as well as to Eastern Europe for a week trip and to Western Europe for 3 weeks.  

Page 7, Q7. Describe how you took your meals, e.g., groceries prepared in kitchen, dining hall etc., and how much you spent on meals weekly, not including, bars, clubs etc.?  

1. While I was living in the dorms I ate at campus cafeterias (maybe 200TL/week)
Page 7, Q7. Describe how you took your meals, e.g., groceries prepared in kitchen, dining hall etc., and how much you spent on meals weekly, not including, bars, clubs etc.?

and while I was in the homestay I ate with the family (maybe 75 TL/week).

Page 7, Q8. What would you recommend as a minimum monthly budget for incidental expenses, excluding travel? Please include recommendations for such items as: local transportation to/from daily class, telephone calls, internet, laundry, museums, concerts, movies, cafes, restaurants, pubs and clubs.

1 400-500TL. Transportation: use the dolmus (only way anyway); telephone: use skype; internet and laundry on campus are pretty good; museums are way cheaper or free with a museum card which the program will provide.

Page 7, Q9. How do you recommend taking your money abroad? Did you open a local bank account?

1 I just withdrew from my home account and paid the fees.

Page 8, Q1. What sort of items or clothing did you take along and then find you did not need?

1 Slacks

Page 8, Q2. What did you take that you found most useful?

1 Scarves and undershirts.

Page 8, Q3. What do you wish you had brought along?

1 Clothes that are both conservative and cute.

Page 8, Q4. Were there any items you wanted that you were unable to obtain?

1 Oreos, tampons with applicators, FLOSS, sunscreen
**Page 8, Q5. In general, how would you describe the weather in the area in which your program was based?**

1 Great in the fall and spring, pretty cold in the winter. It only snowed once, though.  
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**Page 8, Q6. Did you have access to computers and/or email? If so, please describe what type of computer services you used. Did you use your Oxy email?**

1 Yes. I used Oxy mail but there was also a mail system set up by the university.  
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**Page 10, Q1. Any suggestions to the IPO for improving Occidental’s on-campus orientation or other services?**

1 Help us get involved with the appropriate community/culture in LA prior to studying abroad.  
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**Page 10, Q3. Describe the overall strengths and weaknesses of the program.**

1 The program directors were great.  
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**Page 10, Q5. For what sorts of students, if any, would you recommend this program?**

1 People interested in something totally different; people who are familiar with Middle Eastern or Mediterranean culture and want to ease into the other; people interested in the Middle East in general; people interested in Islam  
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**Page 10, Q6. Are there students you would especially recommend not enrolling in this program?**

1 People who feel particularly attached to Western lifestyles  
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