Many CIIS academic programs host off-campus residential programs that are considered part of the student’s academic requirements and afford the opportunity for close interaction among students and faculty and experiential learning in an intensive setting. Retreat fees for lodging and meals are charged as separate fees. Because CIIS must arrange advance contracts with retreat sites, exceptions for these fees can be considered only in situations where students have a medical reason or family emergency, supported by licensed professional documentation, to decline lodging and/or meals at the retreat site. Requests to decline lodging and/or meals must be submitted in advance of the retreat to the program manager/coordinator. Requests for refunds of lodging or meal fees must be submitted to the Financial Petition Committee (FPC) and within 90 days of the last day of the retreat. Approval by the manager/coordinator for an exemption from retreat site lodging and/or meals does not guarantee approval by the FPC of an exemption from fee payment. Programs reserve the right to enforce stricter polices than those detailed above, as long as they are made known to students prior to participation in the retreat.