



# January Term Study Abroad Programs 2021



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## CHANGE THE WAY YOU SEE YOUR WORLD



For many students, studying abroad is not only a defining moment of their education but of their lives. Students walk away with a unique story and an experience all their own. They also take away an enhanced appreciation of the world around them, an open mind toward other cultures and a global perspective—unique qualities that are highly regarded by graduate schools and prospective employers.

We pride ourselves in bringing a wealth of experience and resources to safeguard the welfare of our students and ensure they are able to get the most out of their time abroad. 97% of our participants say they would recommend studying abroad with AIFS.

Whether you wish to study environmental science in the Galápagos Islands, conflict resolution and healthcare in Costa Rica, comparative world religions in Rome or

modern Irish writing in Dublin, you will find a program to suit your academic interest and cultural curiosity. Since 1964, over 1.6 million students have changed the way they see their world with AIFS.

**...NOW IT IS YOUR TURN.**



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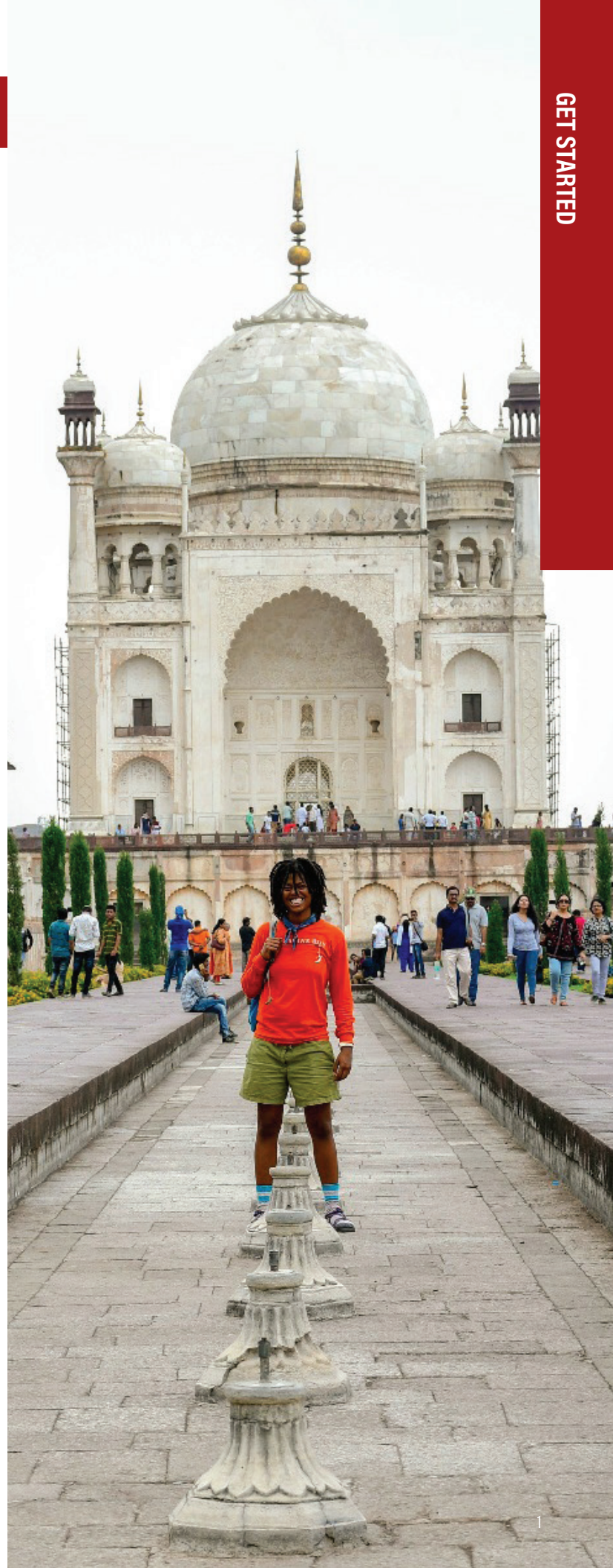
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*"AIFS is the complete package. I could not have asked for a better study abroad experience, and am so happy I chose to go to Paris with AIFS! My time in Paris was made unforgettable by the kind, accommodating staff and all of the amazing AIFS activities offered in the beautiful City of Light! I would recommend AIFS to anyone who is looking for an unforgettable and totally life-changing experience living and studying abroad!"*

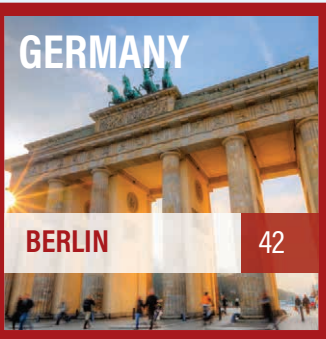
— Kelly, AIFS Alum, Regis University



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**STUDY AND TRAVEL PROGRAM**

**GET STARTED TODAY!**

# THE AIFS ADVANTAGE

## GET THE MOST OUT OF YOUR EXPERIENCE WITH AIFS ALL-INCLUSIVE PROGRAMS

We invite you to compare our included features with those of any other organization:

**Program fees guaranteed in U.S. dollars** Protects you against currency fluctuation. The fee listed is the fee you pay.

**No credit card transaction fees** Credit card charges can significantly add to your cost. When comparing study abroad providers, always remember to check for additional fees.

**No damage deposit** AIFS does not charge a damage deposit. This saves you a significant amount in up-front costs.

**Tuition** With transcript is provided by outstanding host university to facilitate credit transfer.

**Housing** AIFS always arranges the best accommodation for students. In many countries, you will have the option of living in a carefully-chosen homestay, apartment or residence hall.\*

**Meal plan** The cost of meals can add up quickly. Whether it's restaurant vouchers, meals in the student cafeteria or home-cooked meals from your host family, all of our programs have an included meal plan.\*

**AIFS organized social/cultural activities, excursions and field trips** Explore destinations that will help you learn more about your location and complement your academic studies.\*

**Experienced on-site Resident Director and support staff** Local expertise you can rely on for guidance on academics, language, cultural differences, health and more.

**Comprehensive insurance and assistance package** For worry-free travel including 24/7 emergency support.

**AIFS support services** Pre- and post-departure assistance such as: financial aid transfer, academic advice, visa assistance and more.

**Optional AIFS Flight Package (round-trip flights and airport transfers)** This service is available for an additional fee.

**Scholarships and Grant opportunities** Over 50% of our study abroad participants receive financial support through AIFS in the form of scholarships or grants.

**Alumni Programs** Two guided professional development programs for those who want to volunteer by marketing to students about their time abroad or expanding their portfolio and gaining an edge in a competitive job market.

*\*Check programs for specific arrangements*



## AIFS DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION STATEMENT

AIFS believes in the impact of international education and exchange. Now, more than ever, we think it is important for every student to recognize that going abroad is a viable opportunity for them. AIFS is committed to supporting ALL students as they look to change the way they see the world no matter their race, ethnicity, gender, culture, religion, age, physical abilities or sexual orientation. AIFS has the resources and staff to support participants through their entire study abroad journey: from selecting the right program for their needs, assisting while abroad to make the most of the opportunity, through learning how to articulate the experience upon return.

For more information, visit [www.aifsabroad.com/studentresources](http://www.aifsabroad.com/studentresources)

# IMPACT OF STUDY ABROAD

## STUDY ABROAD AND CAREER DEVELOPMENT

Even if your career goals are not clear, studying abroad has the potential to clarify the direction you'd like to take, give you a new perspective on your academic work and strengthen skills that will benefit to you when you begin your job search.

Currently just 2% of college students study abroad. In today's competitive job market, your study abroad experience can be the differentiating factor to make your résumé stand out above others.

In recent years, the value that employers place on an applicant's study abroad experience has grown exponentially. A job candidate who has studied abroad is viewed as a candidate who has broad, global experience, a cultural awareness and the ability to take risks and use initiative - with enhanced skills like adaptability, self-sufficiency and problem solving.

According to the QS Global Employer Survey Report, 60% of employers around the world give extra credit for an international student experience. More than 80% said they actively sought graduates who had studied abroad.

Your study abroad experience will provide a singular opportunity for you to set yourself apart from other job seekers and build valuable new intercultural skills and competencies. It is an experience like no other that will forever impact your life for the better.

For more information on guiding your study abroad experience, download the AIFS Student Guide to Study Abroad and Career Development at [www.aifsabroad.com](http://www.aifsabroad.com).

To download a copy of AIFS Study Abroad Alumni Outcomes: 1990 to 2017, visit: [www.aifsabroad.com/outcomes2018.pdf](http://www.aifsabroad.com/outcomes2018.pdf)



of AIFS alumni agree that studying abroad resulted in a better understanding of themselves and their values

*"AIFS has a strong reputation of opening doors for students around the world including myself. My time studying abroad in London at Richmond, The American International University in London, remains one of the most important foundations of my education. By getting to know people and their way of life overseas as a college student I became better prepared to serve in Congress, where diplomatic engagement is as important as ever. But the truth is the experience can be valuable to all students. It is important that people have a better understanding of their neighbors around the world and the outstanding work of AIFS is helping make that a reality."*

– Congressman Russ Carnahan, 3rd District of Missouri

Pictured with AIFS Chairman and CEO, William L. Gertz

## HOW DOES STUDY ABROAD MAKE A DIFFERENCE?

97%

of study abroad students find employment within 12 months of graduation.

86%

of AIFS alumni agree that studying abroad with AIFS was the most meaningful experience of their undergraduate education.

86%

of study abroad students report that study abroad allowed them to better adapt to diverse work environments.

84%

of study abroad alumni claim their studies abroad helped them build valuable skills for the job market.

81%

of study abroad alumni believe that study abroad contributed to the importance they place on having personal fulfillment in their work.

All statistics based on the responses of more than 1,000 AIFS alumni who studied abroad between 1990 and 2017.



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## SAN JOSÉ, COSTA RICA

### VERITAS UNIVERSITY

**3 credits | \$2,995**

**Dates:** January 2–16, 2021

**Course in:** Health and human sciences

**Housing/meals:** Homestay/breakfast and dinner at the homestay

#### SPECIAL FEATURES:

- » Cultural and social activities including walking tours, the indoor markets and Cartago
- » Field trips to local hospitals and clinics
- » Optional 3-day excursion to Manuel Antonio National Park
- » Courses taught in English



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## PRAGUE, CZECH REPUBLIC

### CHARLES UNIVERSITY

**3 credits | \$3,895**

**Dates:** December 26, 2020–January 17, 2021

**Courses in:** Art, Czech language, history, politics, sociology

**Housing/meals:** Double room in student residence/meal allowance

#### SPECIAL FEATURES:

- » Cultural and social activities including a guided walking tour of Prague, a traditional welcome meal and events such as ice skating, a visit to a Czech brewery and a sporting event such as ice hockey
- » A survival Czech class
- » A day trip to Karlovy Vary



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## THE GALÁPAGOS ISLANDS, ECUADOR

### UNIVERSIDAD SAN FRANCISCO DE QUITO

**3 credits | \$4,495**

**Dates:** January 2–15, 2021

**Course in:** Environmental science

**Housing/meals:** Hotel in Quito and Santa Cruz, homestay on San Cristóbal/breakfast and lunch in Quito, 3 meals a day on San Cristóbal and breakfast and lunch on Santa Cruz

#### SPECIAL FEATURES:

- » Unique insight into island life by living with a homestay family
- » Tour of Quito and activities in the Galápagos including snorkeling and visits to Frigate Bird Hill and Galapaguera, home to the famous giant tortoises
- » 2-day excursion to Santa Cruz Island including visit to the Charles Darwin Research Station





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## LONDON, ENGLAND

### AIFS STUDY CENTER IN LONDON

**3 credits | \$3,995**

**Dates:** December 30, 2020–January 21, 2021

**Courses in:** History, literature

**Housing/meals:** Residence hall/meal allowance of £15 per day Monday through Friday

#### SPECIAL FEATURES:

- » Cultural and social activities including a sightseeing tour of London, day trip to Oxford, visit to West End theater show, ride on the London Eye and visits to museums and galleries
- » Optional 3-day excursion to Paris, France

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## LONDON, ENGLAND

### UNIVERSITY OF THE ARTS LONDON - LONDON COLLEGE OF COMMUNICATION

**3 credits | \$4,695**

**Dates:** January 2–23, 2021

**Course in:** Design, media

**Housing/meals:** Residence hall/meal allowance of £15 per day Monday through Friday

#### SPECIAL FEATURES:

- » Cultural and social activities including a sightseeing tour of London, day trip to Oxford, visit to West End theater show, ride on the London Eye and visits to museums and galleries
- » Optional 3-day excursion to Paris, France

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## PARIS, FRANCE

### INSTITUT DE LANGUE ET DE CULTURE FRANÇAISES (ILCF) COURS DE CIVILISATION FRANÇAISE DE LA SORBONNE (CCFS) AMERICAN BUSINESS SCHOOL, PARIS (ABS)

**3 credits | \$3,895**

**Dates:** January 3–23, 2021

**Courses in:** Art history, fashion, international business

**Housing/meals:** Parisian homestay or, for a supplement, a student residence. Breakfast every day and dinner once a week in the homestay. Residence students receive breakfast every day and lunch or dinner 5 days a week in the residence

#### SPECIAL FEATURES:

- » Cultural and social activities including a sightseeing tour of Paris, visits to museums and monuments such as the Opéra Garnier and the Eiffel Tower, a Bateaux-Mouches boat trip and a trip to Versailles
- » Optional day trip to the Champagne region
- » Courses taught in English



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## BERLIN, GERMANY

### HUMBOLDT-UNIVERSITÄT ZU BERLIN

**3 credits | \$3,895**

**Dates:** January 3–27, 2021

**Courses in:** Cultural studies, geography, German language, history, international studies, law, politics, religion, social science

**Housing/meals:** University apartment/meal card

#### SPECIAL FEATURES:

- » Cultural and social activities including visit to the German Bundestag, Museum of Contemporary Art, Memorial for the Berlin Wall, ice skating
- » Day trip to Potsdam
- » Optional 3-day excursion to Warsaw, Poland
- » Courses taught in English



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## ATHENS, GREECE

### DEREE-THE AMERICAN COLLEGE OF GREECE

**3 credits | \$4,195**

**Dates:** January 2–20, 2021

**Courses in:** Archaeology, business, film, history

**Housing/meals:** Student residence complex/meal allowance

#### SPECIAL FEATURES:

- » Cultural and social activities such as a walking tour of Athens including the Plaka, visits to the famed Acropolis and Parthenon, Greek dancing lesson, food tour and a day trip to Delphi with a traditional 4-course Greek taverna meal
- » Courses taught in English



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## HYDERABAD, INDIA

### UNIVERSITY OF HYDERABAD

**3 credits | \$3,295**

**Dates:** December 26, 2020–January 19, 2021

**Courses in:** History, social science

**Housing/meals:** Double rooms in a student residence/3 meals a day in residence cafeteria

#### SPECIAL FEATURES:

- » Golden Triangle tour including the Taj Mahal
- » Cultural and social activities including a city tour, cooking lesson and movie night and a day trip to Warangal
- » Courses taught in English

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## DUBLIN, IRELAND

### TRINITY COLLEGE DUBLIN

**3 credits | \$4,495**

**Dates:** January 2-23, 2021

**Course in:** Irish literature

**Housing/meals:** Self-catering apartments or student residence/meal allowance

#### SPECIAL FEATURES:

- » Cultural and social activities including a guided walking tour of Dublin, a traditional Irish music night, a visit to the Guinness Storehouse, and an excursion to the Wicklow Mountains, Kilkenny and Glendalough



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## BRIXEN, ITALY - THE ITALIAN ALPS

### AIFS STUDY CENTER IN ITALY

**3 credits | \$3,995**

**Dates:** December 26, 2020–January 14, 2021

**Course in:** Italian food and culture

**Housing/meals:** Shared rooms in a residence in Brixen and in a hotel in Munich/10 meal vouchers for selected local restaurants

#### SPECIAL FEATURES:

- » 2-nights in Munich, Germany
- » Cultural and social activities including museum visits, walking tours, visits to local food producers and visit to Bozen and the Ötzi museum
- » 3-day ski pass to ski areas in the Dolomites
- » Optional 2-day excursion to Milan
- » Course taught in English



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## ROME, ITALY

### AIFS STUDY CENTER IN ROME

**3 credits | \$3,995**

**Dates:** December 31, 2020–January 22, 2021

**Courses in:** Art history, drawing, Italian language and culture, psychology, religion, sociology

**Housing/meals:** Centrally located apartments or in an Italian home/meal vouchers for breakfast and lunch or dinner 5 days per week

#### SPECIAL FEATURES:

- » Cultural and social activities including cooking classes, visits to the Colosseum, Vatican Museum and Sistine Chapel
- » Excursion to Assisi and the Umbria Region
- » Optional 3-day excursion to Florence
- » Courses taught in English



A large, ornate fountain with multiple tiers and statues, set in a city square in Lisbon, Portugal. The fountain is surrounded by a cobblestone plaza and buildings in the background.

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## LISBON, PORTUGAL

### ISCTE - INSTITUTO UNIVERSITÁRIO DE LISBOA INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS SCHOOL

**3 credits | \$3,995**

**Dates:** January 2-16, 2021

**Courses in:** International Business

**Housing/meals:** Housing is a double or single room in a student residence with other international students. A pre-paid meal card to supplement the purchase of groceries and some meals on campus

#### **SPECIAL FEATURES:**

- » Day trips to Belém and Sintra
- » Travel pass for use on the local buses and iconic trams

A panoramic view of a coastal town in Stellenbosch, South Africa, showing a mix of residential buildings and greenery overlooking a blue ocean under a clear sky.

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## STELLENBOSCH, SOUTH AFRICA

### STELLENBOSCH UNIVERSITY

**3 credits | \$4,595**

**Dates:** January 3-20, 2021

**Courses in:** Photography, South African wine and winemaking

**Housing/meals:** Stellenbosch University residences on a self-catering basis (both programs). Photography students will stay in student lodges while traveling with breakfast and dinner included

#### **SPECIAL FEATURES:**

- » Trips to Cape Town, Robben Island, Table Mountain and the Cape of Good Hope
- » Garden Route tour for 6 days for photography students

A close-up, low-angle view of the spires and intricate architectural details of the Sagrada Família in Barcelona, Spain, showing the unique Gothic Revival style.

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## BARCELONA, SPAIN

### UNIVERSITAT AUTÒNOMA DE BARCELONA

**3 credits | \$3,495**

**Dates:** January 9-23, 2021

**Courses in:** Spanish art and cultural heritage, international business

**Housing/meals:** Homestay or, for a supplement, in an apartment. Homestay students receive breakfast and dinner Monday through Friday. Apartment students receive a meal allowance to subsidize the cost of purchasing meals

#### **SPECIAL FEATURES:**

- » Cultural and social activities including city tour, museum visits, tapas evening and guided tours of the Gothic quarter, Parque Güell and La Sagrada Família
- » Day trip to Montserrat and Sitges
- » Courses taught in English

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## GRANADA, SPAIN (WITH MOROCCO)

### UNIVERSITY OF GRANADA

**3 credits | \$3,395**

**Dates:** January 3–21, 2021

**Course in:** Spanish and Islamic Civilization and Culture

**Housing/meals:** in a Spanish homestay with 3 meals a day

#### SPECIAL FEATURES:

- » Cultural and social activities including guided tour of the Alhambra and Generalife, Tapas tour, and 3-day excursion to Tangier and Tetouan, Morocco, North Africa
- » Course taught in English

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## SALAMANCA, SPAIN

### UNIVERSITY OF SALAMANCA

**3 credits | \$3,295**

**Dates:** January 6–25, 2021

**Courses in:** Spanish language

**Housing/meals:** Spanish homestay/3 meals a day in the homestay

#### SPECIAL FEATURES:

- » Cultural and social activities including a tapas tour, museum visits, cooking class and guided tours
- » 2-day excursion to Madrid
- » 2-night stopover in London included for students selecting the optional AIFS Flight Package

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## STUDY AND TRAVEL: EUROPEAN ART AND ARCHITECTURE

### LONDON, PARIS, LAUSANNE, VENICE, FLORENCE AND ROME

**3 credits | \$5,495**

**Dates:** December 31, 2020–January 20, 2021

**Course in:** Art history

**Housing/meals:** Multi-bedded rooms in student residences or tourist-class hotels and daily breakfast

#### SPECIAL FEATURES:

- » 5 nights in London, 4 nights in Paris, 1 night in Lausanne, 2 nights in Venice, 3 nights in Florence and 4 nights in Rome
- » Visits to the Houses of Parliament, Musée D'Orsay, Fondation de l'Hermitage, Bridge of Sighs, the Duomo, and the Colosseum
- » Course taught in English

# ASSISTANCE THROUGHOUT YOUR JOURNEY

AIFS is here to help before, during and after your time abroad. Below are the details on the services we provide during these times.



## PRE-DEPARTURE

### Personalized assistance

from site specialists on the AIFS Admissions Team in the U.S. to help you prepare for your study abroad experience, answer questions about the academic program, provide course syllabi and assist you with the student visa application process

### Pre-departure resources

including online course descriptions, an informational student handbook and an online AIFS portal to help you manage your application and pre-departure materials. Student networking resources allow you to connect with other students who will be participating on the same program, as well as AIFS alumni who can provide first-hand information and advice on what to expect



## ON-SITE

### Comprehensive insurance and assistance package

see page 97 for details

### 24-hour emergency telephone service

allows you to reach AIFS staff at any time in an emergency situation



## UPON RETURN

### Official transcript

issued by the university will be sent to your home institution on completion of your program

### Re-entry materials

and support upon return to the U.S. to help you make the transition back to life after your study abroad experience

### Alumni network and career development opportunities

through the AIFS Alumni Advocate and AIFS Alumni Ambassador Programs



## SAFETY AND SECURITY

We are committed to ensuring the safety and security of our program participants. This "peace of mind" commitment includes the following features—all standard on AIFS programs:

- » 24-hour emergency service in the U.S. and abroad
- » On-site Resident Directors and local support staff to provide guidance and assistance
- » Comprehensive insurance/assistance package that includes medical coverage abroad, program cancellation/interruption insurance and baggage coverage
- » Financial security—a unique policy that protects every student's payment and guarantees he or she will receive the services advertised in this catalog

*"My daughter attended a summer program in Italy and I was very impressed with the orientation session that was held at the beginning. They discussed safety precautions in detail and even had a local police officer speak to the students about common issues encountered by American tourists and how to avoid those situations."*

—Katy, AIFS Study Abroad Parent



## OPTIONAL AIFS FLIGHT PACKAGE



AIFS offers low cost airfare and airport transfers from 25 U.S. cities. With AIFS you will not only save time and money, you will also get to travel with your future classmates and share the experience from day one.

### Choose from the following departure cities:

Atlanta	Miami
Boston	Minneapolis
Buffalo	New York/Newark
Charlotte	Orlando
Chicago	Philadelphia
Cincinnati	Phoenix
Columbus	Pittsburgh
Dallas	Raleigh/Durham
Denver	San Francisco
Des Moines	Seattle
Detroit	St. Louis
Houston	Washington/Dulles
Los Angeles	

## APPLY EARLY-APPLY ONLINE!

Many of our programs fill quickly. In order to ensure you save your spot on the program of your choice, apply early and apply online at [www.aifsabroad.com](http://www.aifsabroad.com).

### J-TERM PROGRAM DEADLINES\*

<b>Application/Deposit</b>	September 15, 2020 - <i>Berlin, European Art &amp; Architecture, Hyderabad, Galápagos</i>
	October 1, 2020 - <i>All other programs</i>
<b>Scholarships</b>	October 1, 2020 - <i>All programs</i>
<b>Final payment</b>	October 15, 2020 - <i>Berlin, European Art &amp; Architecture, Hyderabad, Galápagos</i>
	November 15, 2020 - <i>All other programs</i>

*\*Due to airline and accommodation cancellation penalties, AIFS cannot reserve space for a student until their confirmation deposit has been paid. Students are urged to apply and deposit early. Late applications may be considered if space is available.*

## GET YOUR PASSPORT TODAY!



We advise applying for your passport even if you are only considering study abroad! For more information or to find your local passport office visit: <http://travel.state.gov/content/passports/english/passports/apply.html>



**GLOBAL EXPERIENCES**  
INTERNATIONAL INTERNSHIPS

## INTERNATIONAL INTERNSHIPS

In 2019, Global Experiences joined the AIFS Family of Programs. Established in 2001, Global Experiences is a leader in providing college and university students with career-enhancing international internships.

Students receive one-on-one career readiness coaching and are matched with a customized internship in their chosen fields, such as art, communications, business, fashion, engineering, hospitality, and film.

Global Experiences offers internships in the following international and U.S. locations:

**Australia**  
Sydney

**Costa Rica**  
San Jose

**England**  
London

**France**  
Paris

**Germany**  
Berlin

**Ireland**  
Dublin

**Italy**  
Florence  
Milan  
Rome

**Spain**  
Barcelona  
Madrid

**United States**  
New York City  
Washington DC

### Program includes:

- » Guaranteed full-time internship in your accepted career field and location
- » Centralized and safe student housing
- » On-site orientations, site visits, and social events
- » Full-time local staff and 24/7 support
- » Health and travel insurance (for locations outside the U.S.)
- » Dedicated Program Advisor to guide and prepare you
- » Award-winning professional development program
- » CliftonStrengths online assessment
- » Resume and cover letter prep, interview coaching
- » Post-program career development toolkit
- » Visa support based on location
- » Academic credit is available through our School of Record

### FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE VISIT:

[www.aifsabroad.com/internships](http://www.aifsabroad.com/internships)  
[www.globalexperiences.com](http://www.globalexperiences.com)



## FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA

Stay in touch, get the latest updates on our programs and tell us about your experience abroad with AIFS! We would love to hear from you and see you in action!



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Use #aifsabroad to highlight your favorite study abroad experiences on social media – and be sure to tag @aifsabroad in your posts!

## SHARE YOUR EXPERIENCE

Share your study abroad experience with these great opportunities:

### STUDENT BLOGGERS & VLOGGERS

Are you interested in travel writing, blogging, photography or videography? Becoming an AIFS Student Blogger or Vlogger is a great opportunity to get involved in the AIFS community, add to your résumé, and share your experience with current and future students abroad, as well as travel-enthusiasts.

We are always looking for creative and passionate AIFS students from a variety of our programs and with a variety of skills.

#### What will be expected of AIFS Student Bloggers?

- » It's simple: we ask that you submit at least five blog posts about your experience abroad. We encourage you to submit more, but the bare minimum is five.

Contact Catherine Rogliano at [bloggers@aifs.com](mailto:bloggers@aifs.com) if you are interested in becoming an AIFS Student Blogger or for other social media opportunities while you're abroad!

Read the AIFS Study Abroad blog, Tales From Around the Globe, at [www.aifsabroad.com/blog](http://www.aifsabroad.com/blog)

#### What will be expected of AIFS Student Vloggers?

- » We want to see your skills! You can expect to submit a series of vlogs while abroad. Vlog topics may include: Expectations vs Reality, Academics, Adjusting to Life Abroad, and more.

Contact Lori Naber at [videos@aifs.com](mailto:videos@aifs.com) if you are interested in becoming an AIFS Student Vlogger or would like to contribute video footage from your study abroad experience.

Subscribe to our AIFS YouTube channel (@AIFSExperience) to see vlogs from previous Student Vloggers.

### AIFS ALUMNI ONLINE COMMUNITY

After you return, visit [www.aifsabroad.com](http://www.aifsabroad.com) and register in the alumni directory so friends can contact you. Be sure to join the AIFS Study Abroad Alumni and Friends groups on both Facebook and LinkedIn, too.

### SNAPCHATTERS

Are you interested in social media, marketing, photography, or videography? Becoming an AIFS Snapchatter is a great opportunity to build on your social media skills, share your study abroad experiences in real time, and inspire prospective study abroad participants to take the leap and go overseas themselves.



We're always looking for creative and social media savvy AIFS students to Snap for us!

#### What will be expected of you?

- » Snap at least two assigned days per month
- » Snapping pivotal and exciting moments during your time abroad at your leisure.

Contact Catherine Rogliano at [crogliano@aifs.com](mailto:crogliano@aifs.com) for more information on becoming an AIFS Snapchatter.

Follow AIFS on Snapchat using the Snapcode above or via our username, @aifsabroad

### ENTER OUR "CAPTURE THE CULTURE" CONTESTS!

We're looking for the best pictures and videos of you and your friends taken abroad! The Capture the Culture Photo Contest and the Capture the Culture Video Contest are announced each Spring with gift card prizes ranging from \$25-\$250. Visit [www.aifsabroad.com](http://www.aifsabroad.com) for official contest rules.

**Questions?** Email us at [photos@aifs.com](mailto:photos@aifs.com)



## FUNDING FOR STUDY ABROAD

**Over 50% of our study abroad participants receive financial support from AIFS in the form of scholarships or grants.**

AIFS recognizes the challenges today's students face with meeting the cost of their education. We believe a study abroad experience is an essential component of a well-rounded university education and we are committed to providing financial assistance to as many students as possible in support of their goal to study abroad. AIFS funding, combined with other sources of financial support you can access, will help make study abroad attainable.

### SCHOLARSHIPS

**Sir Cyril Taylor Legacy Scholarships - \$1,000 Semester/\$500 Summer & J-Term**  
Awarded each term in honor of AIFS Founder, Sir Cyril Taylor.

**Generation Study Abroad Scholarships - \$1,000 Semester/\$500 Summer & J-Term**  
Awarded each term in support of the Institute of International Education's (IIE) Generation Study Abroad initiative.

**Russel R. Taylor Foundation Scholarships - 50% of program fee**  
Awarded each semester and summer to students who have demonstrated academic excellence and who have significant financial need.

**Diversity Abroad Achievement Scholarships - \$5,000 Semester**  
Awarded each semester in partnership with DiversityAbroad.com to outstanding students from underrepresented groups.

**HACU-AIFS Scholarships - 50% of program fee**  
Awarded each semester and summer, in association with the Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities (HACU), to students from HACU member institutions.

**John S. Linakis Memorial Scholarship - \$5,000 Spring Semester**  
Awarded annually to a student with limited financial resources who also demonstrates an interest in and commitment to social justice.

### GRANTS

**AIFS Affiliate Grants - \$400 Semester/\$200 Summer**  
Awarded to students at one of AIFS' more than 400 affiliate universities

**AIFS Study Again Grant - \$1,000 Semester/\$500 Summer**  
Awarded to students who have already studied abroad with AIFS

**AIFS Family Grant - \$500**  
Awarded to students whose immediate family members have participated in one of AIFS sister programs\*

**AIFS Gilman Scholarship Match - \$500 Semester/\$250 Summer**  
Awarded to students who use their Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship towards an AIFS program

**AIFS Grant for Veterans - \$500 Semester/\$250 Summer & J-Term**  
Awarded to students eligible to receive GI Bill education benefits

**AIFS Full-Year Study Grant - \$1,000**  
Awarded to students who study abroad with AIFS for a full academic year

**AIFS Boren Scholarship Match - \$500 Semester/\$250 Summer**  
Awarded to students who use their Boren Scholarship towards an AIFS program

**AIFS FEA Scholarship Match - \$500 Semester**  
Awarded to students who use their Fund for Education Abroad Scholarship towards an AIFS program

*\*Visit [www.aifs.com](http://www.aifs.com) for information on all sister programs of AIFS.*

Scholarships and grants are for use on AIFS study abroad programs only. Visit the Scholarships and Grants page on our website at [www.aifsabroad.com/scholarships](http://www.aifsabroad.com/scholarships)

### SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINES

Scholarship applications must be emailed, faxed or mailed by October 1.

## GETTING STARTED

How do you make your study abroad dream a reality? Follow these steps to get organized and begin your study abroad journey!

### FIND THE RIGHT PROGRAM FOR YOU

With so many study abroad program options available, it can be challenging to make a decision. AIFS is here to help from the very start! First, be sure to consider the following:



#### Academic focus

Does the program offer courses that will help you move closer towards your academic goals? Review the sample lists of course offerings for an idea of the classes you may take in that particular program. You will also want to set up a time to chat with the study abroad office at your home institution to discuss credit transfer ahead of time.



#### Location

If you are not sure where you want to study abroad, narrow down your options a bit by asking yourself general questions like:

- » Am I looking for a big city experience?
- » Am I looking to improve my foreign language skills?

Ask your friends who have studied abroad why they chose their program location. You can also talk to Jacqueline Hatch at the AIFS home office who can share why other students choose certain locations or share her own experience choosing a program. You can also connect with AIFS alumni to get a better sense of their experience and why they chose their specific program.



#### When?

Spring? Fall? Summer? Winter term? Knowing **when** you want to study abroad can have a big impact on **where** you study abroad.



#### Talk with your family

It's never too early to share your interest in studying abroad with your family. The sooner you start the conversation, the sooner all of their questions can be addressed – allowing you to begin planning your study abroad journey!



#### Discuss with your school

Make an appointment with your academic advisor to ensure your courses and credits are approved for transfer. It is important to be aware that your home university may also have specific steps that they require you to follow on their side.



#### Find funding

Are you receiving financial aid? Meet with the financial aid office on your home university's campus to see if the funds you receive are applicable to your semester abroad. View scholarship and grant opportunities that you may be eligible for. Over 50% of our study abroad participants receive financial support through AIFS in the form of scholarships or grants.



#### Apply

Complete the online application for the study abroad program of your choice!



#### Prepare for your departure

Apply for (or renew) your passport as soon as possible. Your passport is absolutely essential to your trip abroad. It is vital that you read all of the information provided to you by your Admissions Officer, as you may need to apply for a student visa.

## QUESTIONS?

Call us at (800) 727-2437 or visit [www.aifsabroad.com](http://www.aifsabroad.com) to schedule a call today.



# SAN JOSÉ, COSTA RICA

VERITAS UNIVERSITY

## health and human sciences

### LIVE

Costa Rica is known for its laidback lifestyle, peaceful democracy and stunning natural beauty which stretches from the Pacific Ocean to the Caribbean coast and takes in beaches, volcanoes, national parks and cloud forests not to mention a diverse wildlife population. Experience the 'Pura Vida' way of life first hand by living with a Tico (Costa Rican) family in the capital, San José.

### LEARN

Costa Rica is widely considered to have one of the best health care systems in Latin America. Under the universal health care system, every Costa Rican citizen has health coverage and the country has many excellent hospitals and clinics available to all. This is a perfect location to study health care systems and to learn about the challenges in the treatment of tropical diseases. Earn 3 credits taking a course on the Costa Rican Health Care System and Tropical Medicine or Conflict Resolution and Health Care. Classroom study will be supplemented by field visits to public health facilities such as hospitals, clinics and specialist medical units.

### EXPLORE

Get to know more of Costa Rica with cultural activities including visits to local markets and museums, a visit to an indigenous community, the city of Cartago, and walking tours of areas of cultural interest within San José.

Still looking for more? Explore the white sandy beaches and flora and fauna of Manuel Antonio National Park on an optional 3-day excursion.

### ALL-INCLUSIVE PROGRAM FEE

\$2,995

### OPTIONAL AIFS FLIGHT PACKAGE

See page 98 in the Application and Program Details chapter for details and fees.

### ELIGIBILITY

- » Open to high school graduates, college freshmen, sophomores, juniors and seniors
- » Minimum 2.5 GPA (lower GPAs will be considered on a case by case basis)
- » No previous Spanish language study required
- » All courses taught in English

### DEADLINES

Application/Deposit: October 1

Scholarships: October 1

Final Payment: November 15

## ITINERARY

### JANUARY 2-16, 2021

#### Saturday, January 2

Optional flight from U.S. arrives in San José.\*  
Transfer to accommodation\*

#### Sunday, January 3

AIFS Orientation and sightseeing

#### Monday, January 4

Classes begin

#### Friday, January 8 to Sunday, January 10

Optional 3-day excursion to Manuel Antonio National Park

#### Friday, January 15

Classes end

#### Saturday, January 16

Optional return flight from San José to U.S.\*

*Itineraries are tentative and subject to change. Please visit [www.aifsabroad.com](http://www.aifsabroad.com) for the most up-to-date version.*

*\*Included for students on the AIFS Flight Package only.*



## INCLUDED IN YOUR PROGRAM FEE

The AIFS all-inclusive program fee includes all the great services below in addition to all of the pre-departure, on-site and upon return services available on each AIFS program. For details on these services see page 12 in the Get Started chapter.



### TUITION

3 semester credits



### HOUSING

in a homestay with a Costa Rican family. Internet access is included



### MEALS

Daily breakfast and dinner in your homestay



### CULTURAL & SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

a walking tour, a visit to the Huetar indigenous community and a trip to Cartago



### WELCOME EVENT

To help you get to know your classmates better, familiarize you with the local area and advise you about your stay



### HEALTH & SAFETY

24/7 emergency support and comprehensive insurance



### ON-SITE SUPPORT

To help with any questions or advice you may need throughout the program



### UNIQUE TO SAN JOSÉ

- » Visit the reservation of the Huetar indigenous community
- » Visit the active volcanoes near San José
- » Try the home-made ice cream at Lolo Mora's shop, founded in 1901

## OPTIONAL COMPONENTS

### AIFS FLIGHT PACKAGE



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#### Package includes:

- » Round trip flights U.S.-San José-U.S.
- » Round trip transfers between the airport and campus overseas

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### EXCURSION

- » Manuel Antonio National Park (3 days)



## MEET YOUR AIFS TEAM

### YOUR RESIDENT DIRECTOR



**Karla Carballo**

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Hola! My name is Karla Carballo and I am excited to show you my beautiful country and introduce you to our "pura vida" lifestyle. As a 16-year-old study abroad student in France, I understood first-hand the value of living and studying in

a different country and what a unique experience it is to truly get to know another culture. International education has become a passion in my life and being part of the

## LEARNING BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

### CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

Learning does not begin or end in the classroom. To help you get a true taste of Costa Rican culture, a wealth of cultural activities and excursions are included in your program fee.

There is always something going on and something to do. In addition to the field trips to public health facilities, activities may include:

- » Walking tours of areas of cultural interest in San José
- » A visit to the indoor markets to explore Costa Rican food and produce
- » A visit to the Huetar indigenous reservation to learn about their traditions and rituals
- » A visit to the city of Cartago
- » Farewell dinner

Please note that students may pay a small additional fee for some of the activities above.

## HOUSING & MEALS

Living in San José will give you a true sense of Costa Rican life. It is full of character with vibrant markets, buzzing nightlife, street art and charming neighborhoods where colorful colonial buildings still stand. Independent cafés and juice bars have sprung up around Veritas University's campus to support the cosmopolitan student population.

### INCLUDED



### COSTA RICA HOMESTAY

A rewarding part of your time abroad and the best way to get involved in the culture and integrate into the local community. There is privacy for study yet contact with your "Tico" hosts. Host families may have children who have left home or young adult children still living at home, and some may host other international students. The homestay includes:

- » Location within walking distance of the campus
- » Single bedroom
- » Breakfast and dinner daily
- » Weekly laundry wash
- » Internet access

students' personal and academic growth is a real honor; and for this reason, I strive every day to ensure you have a wonderful and enriching experience.

My professional training in psychology has been very useful in providing the support that international students need to successfully meet the challenges of living abroad and embrace all their program has to offer. You can always count on us for support, guidance, and of course ideas to enjoy your adventure in Costa Rica.

I hope you all have an unforgettable and life changing experience with us. ¡Bienvenidos y bienvenidas!

### OPTIONAL EXCURSION



#### MANUEL ANTONIO NATIONAL PARK (3 DAYS - \$295)

Explore Manuel Antonio National Park, acclaimed worldwide for its breathtakingly beautiful beaches. Trip includes:

- » Accommodations
- » Round-trip transportation
- » Breakfasts
- » Entrance to the National Park and local guide
- » Free time to hike, swim or relax at the beach

*Dates and itineraries of all excursions are tentative and subject to change. Students must enroll and pay for the optional excursion in the U.S. by the final payment deadline. Once paid for excursions are non-refundable except in the event of cancellation by AIFS.*



## VERITAS UNIVERSITY

Veritas University was founded in 1975 as a college of the Universidad Autónoma de Centroamérica, the first private university in Costa Rica. In 1991, Veritas University became an independent university and has since grown to become one of the most highly regarded private universities in the Latin American academic community.

Veritas is fully accredited by the Costa Rican Ministry of Education. It has an urban campus, equipped with modern facilities including computer labs, a well-maintained library and a cafeteria. Free Wi-Fi access is available.

## ACADEMIC OVERVIEW

Choose either of the health care courses listed, both of which are taught in English. A minimum enrollment of 5 students is required for a course to run.

**Field trips** Both courses will include field trips to medical and community health facilities. These may include visits to local organizations such as a doctor's clinic, an HIV clinic, an alcohol and drug dependency unit and a psychiatric hospital.

**Admissions requirements** Open to high school graduates, college freshmen, sophomores, juniors and seniors with a minimum 2.5 GPA. Lower GPAs will be considered on a case by case basis.

**Attendance** is mandatory and students are only allowed to have one excused absence. If a student is absent more than one day, they will automatically fail the course and lose the academic credits.

**Credits** Each course totals 45 hours and is taught Monday through Friday for a total of 3 credits.

**Grades** No AIFS participant is permitted to take a course without receiving a grade. Pass/Fail grade options are not available.

**Transcripts** are issued by Veritas University. One official copy will be sent to the student's home institution on completion of the program.

## COURSES

Choose one of the courses below. Classes are taught Monday through Friday for a total of 45 hours.

### History 323/HIS 3293 (3)

#### Costa Rican Health Care System and Tropical Medicine

Costa Rica's health care system is socialized and ranks excellent in health indicators. The course focuses on the history and development of the public health care system within the context of the Costa Rican sociopolitical and economic situation. A strong emphasis is placed on how the system works, pointing out both its strong and weak points. An additional objective, of fundamental importance in understanding this system, is the study of Costa Rica as a tropical country, specifically the prevention and transmission of relevant tropical diseases.

### Social Science 307/HHD 3070 (3)

#### Conflict Resolution and Health Care

Health service delivery today encounters frequent conflicts, disputes and other difficult situations, many derived from larger changes occurring in health care systems around the world. These conflicts include differences due to multiculturalism; the appropriateness and quality of care; gender issues; power disputes and arguments between providers and recipients over institutional and funding policies. The costs and effects of violence will be part of this course, particularly in regard to the WHO definition of health. Costa Rican health care systems will also be reviewed.

This course offers a framework to integrate professional experience with functional communication and mediation skills. Students are encouraged to explore and develop their leadership on matters of public health.



# PRAGUE, CZECH REPUBLIC

CHARLES UNIVERSITY

## art | history

### LIVE

Spend 3 weeks in the capital of the Czech Republic, a city composed of picturesque towns, each of which still retains its own unique character. Lose yourself in Prague's rich culture; where aspiring young writers and artists gather, jazz musicians improvise in the open air, locals sip coffee in art-nouveau cafés and clubs stay open until dawn.

Explore the castles and cathedrals, find out about the history of the Jewish ghetto in the Jewish Museum, discover the colorful houses of Golden Lane, once home to Prague's goldsmiths and Franz Kafka, one of the 20th century's most influential writers.

### LEARN

Study at the historic Charles University, earning 3 credits taking a course from fields including art and history. The central themes to the courses concern Czech, Central European and Eastern European issues in an exclusive focus or comparative perspective. You will also have a seminar on the basics of the Czech language giving you the essentials to be able to communicate while you are in Prague. Each course combines classroom-based learning with field trips.

### EXPLORE

Stroll over the Charles Bridge, enjoy coffee and cake in one of Prague's many iconic cafés, visit one of the famed breweries for a tour or enjoy a musical performance in one of Prague's excellent concert venues. The program also includes a full-day excursion to Karlovy Vary, which hosts the Czech International Film Festival.

### ALL-INCLUSIVE PROGRAM FEE

\$3,895

### OPTIONAL AIFS FLIGHT PACKAGE

*See page 98 in the Application and Program Details chapter for details and fees.*

### ELIGIBILITY

- » Open to college sophomores, juniors and seniors
- » Minimum 3.0 GPA (GPAs of 2.7 and above will be considered on a case by case basis)
- » Courses taught in English

### DEADLINES

Application/Deposit: October 1

Scholarships: October 1

Final Payment: November 15



## ITINERARY

### DECEMBER 26, 2020–JANUARY 17, 2021

#### Saturday, December 26

Optional overnight flight from U.S. to Prague\*

#### Sunday, December 27

Arrive in Prague. Transfer to accommodation.\*  
Afternoon orientation with local tour guide

#### Monday, December 28

AIFS and Charles University Orientation. Group meal

#### Tuesday, December 29

Orientation day trip

#### Wednesday, December 30

Survival Czech language seminar

#### Thursday, December 31

Classes begin

#### Friday, January 1

New Year's Day, National Holiday

#### Saturday, January 9 to Sunday, January 10

Optional trip/activity

#### Thursday, January 14

Classes end

#### Friday, January 15

Optional trip/activity

#### Sunday, January 17

Optional return flight from Prague to U.S.\*

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### TUITION

3 semester credits



### HOUSING

Double rooms in a student residence



### MEALS

A meal allowance is included to subsidize the cost of purchasing meals and groceries



### CULTURAL & SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

Guided walking tour of Prague, a traditional welcome meal and events such as ice skating, a visit to a Czech brewery and a sporting event such as ice hockey



### WELCOME EVENT

To help you get to know your classmates better, familiarize you with the local area and advise you about your stay



### HEALTH & SAFETY

24/7 emergency support and comprehensive insurance



### ON-SITE SUPPORT

To help with any questions or advice you may need throughout the program



### UNIQUE TO PRAGUE

- » Survival Czech class on the basics of the language to help you communicate
- » Travel pass for use on trams and metro in Prague
- » Historic neighborhoods with hidden gems to explore on foot
- » A day trip to Karlovy Vary

## OPTIONAL COMPONENTS

### AIFS FLIGHT PACKAGE

See page 98 in the Application and Program Details chapter for details and fees.

#### Package includes:

- » Round trip flights U.S.-Prague-U.S.
- » Round trip transfers between the airport and campus overseas

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Visit [www.aifsabroad.com](http://www.aifsabroad.com) for details.



## HOUSING & MEALS

**INCLUDED**



### STUDENT RESIDENCE

Live with other AIFS students in self-catering, shared accommodations. You will receive a meal allowance to subsidize the cost of purchasing meals and groceries. The student residence will include:

- » Double room with shared bathroom
- » Access to communal facilities including a kitchen and study room
- » Kitchen supplies and bed linens
- » Coin-operated laundry
- » Free Wi-Fi

## MEET YOUR AIFS TEAM

### YOUR RESIDENT DIRECTOR



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Hello everybody, I send you my best wishes from Prague, my home for more than 20 years. I received my Master's degree from Palackeho University in Olomouc, Czech Republic, and before joining AIFS in 2014 I worked for the

Open Media Institute in Prague, the partner organization of Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty, making local arrangements for BBC film crews and for journalists based in Prague.

My experience of living in different parts of the Czech Republic means I am a great resource for you when you are in Prague. You will find me in the AIFS office, right in the center of the city, a short walk from the university classroom buildings and the main attractions.

Prague is a beautiful city that has something for everyone with its amazing architecture, cafés, and variety of art, music and history. I look forward to helping you make the most of your time in this magical place.

## LEARNING BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

### CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

Learning does not begin or end in the classroom. To help you get a true taste of Czech culture, various activities will be organized such as:

- » Guided walking tour of Prague
- » Ice skating
- » Sporting event such as ice hockey
- » Czech brewery visit
- » Musical performance

### INCLUDED EXCURSION

#### KARLOVY VARY (DAY TRIP)

Visit the spa town of Karlovy Vary (formerly Carlsbad). Day trip includes:

- » Transportation to and from Karlovy Vary, which hosts the Czech International Film Festival
- » Visit to the Grandhotel Pupp, one of the inspirations behind the 2014 film Grand Budapest Hotel

## CHARLES UNIVERSITY

The Univerzita Karlova (Czech name of Charles University) is the oldest university in Central Europe and was founded in 1348 by Charles IV. The author Franz Kafka enrolled at Charles University in 1901 for eight semesters of law school. Today over 50,000 students are enrolled at Charles University.

During the brief lifetime of democratic Czechoslovakia (1918-38), academic life was liberalized. After the period of Nazi occupation, during which all universities were

closed, normal university life began again in 1945. After the Velvet Revolution of 1989, the idea of strict planning according to state ideology was abolished and academic freedom and a high degree of autonomy from the state became the goals of the new era. Charles University has hosted international students from its beginnings until today.

## ACADEMIC OVERVIEW

Earn 3 credits studying at Charles University, taking one course from those listed.

**Admissions requirements** Open to college sophomores, juniors and seniors with a minimum 3.0 GPA, who are currently enrolled in an undergraduate degree program.

**Attendance** is required to receive full credit. Students exceeding the permitted numbers of unexcused absences may lose all or partial credit.

**Credit hours** are in parentheses. Credits are equal to American credits based on one credit for a minimum of 15 classroom hours plus home study. This course will meet for 45 hours of teaching and tutorials, Monday to Friday throughout the program.

**Grades** No AIFS participant is permitted to take a course without receiving a grade. Pass/Fail grade options are not available.

**Transcripts** are issued by Charles University. One official copy will be sent to the student's home institution on completion of the program.

## COURSES

Classes are taught Monday through Friday for 4 hours per day a total of 45 hours. Choose one course from those listed below.

### ART 313 (3)

#### The Story of Prague: Ten Centuries of Architectural Heritage

An introduction to the city of Prague as a specific cultural and social milieu, seen through the lens of its artists, architects and their works. It intends to inspire an interest in the unique blend of storytelling and legend that underpins much of the city's character and history. The scope of the course includes the major periods of European architectural development: from medieval to modern, as well as aspects specifically reflecting the history and heritage of the Czech nation. In structuring the course according to artistic styles and movements, it is hoped that students will recognize the ways in which artists of widely varying origins and temperaments responded to, influenced, or disrupted the artistic conventions of the day, and how their work continues to reflect the social and political dynamics of the city.

### HIST 327 (3)

#### Czechs in the Age of Extremes

An introduction to modern Czech history. During the so-called 'Age of Extremes', there were two major sources of social conflict in the area of Bohemian Lands – nationalism and dictatorships. Starting with the formation of modern Czech nationalism in the second half of the 19th century, we then examine Czech history in the 20th century. Students will read the most significant and recently published historiographical works. We will debate important themes of modern European history such as nationalism, fascism, and communism and at the same time, the course will focus on the development of modern Czech society.

Further courses will be advertised on [www.aifsabroad.com](http://www.aifsabroad.com)



## THE GALÁPAGOS ISLANDS, ECUADOR

UNIVERSIDAD SAN FRANCISCO DE QUITO (USFQ)

### environmental science

#### LIVE

Synonymous with naturalist Charles Darwin and the theory of evolution, the Galápagos Islands, located about 600 miles west of continental Ecuador in the Pacific Ocean, symbolize a defining moment in the history of life on Earth and the way we see the world and ourselves. This program offers students a unique and unparalleled opportunity to experience and discover the diverse ecology of the archipelago that so enthralled Darwin and to learn about the vital conservation work being done to protect these extraordinary islands and the unique species they are home to.

#### LEARN

The Galápagos program gives students the opportunity to earn 3 credits studying an environmental science course in one of the most pristine natural laboratories in the world. Based at Universidad San Francisco de Quito (USFQ) Extension Campus on the island of San Cristóbal, you will study the Galápagos' major ecosystems and learn about them first-hand on academic field excursions which take you into the designated visitor sites to discover species of flora and fauna that exist nowhere else on Earth.

#### EXPLORE

The program begins at USFQ Cumbayá Campus in Quito, Ecuador, where you will have an orientation and introductory class before flying to San Cristóbal Island, Galápagos. In addition to visits and field trips in and around San Cristóbal students will spend two days on Santa Cruz, the second largest of the islands, located in the center of the archipelago. The excursion includes a visit to the Charles Darwin Research Station.

#### ALL-INCLUSIVE PROGRAM FEE

\$4,495

#### OPTIONAL AIFS FLIGHT PACKAGE

*See page 98 in the Application and Program Details chapter for details and fees.*

#### ELIGIBILITY

- » Open to high school graduates, college freshmen, sophomores, juniors and seniors
- » Minimum 2.5 GPA (lower GPAs will be considered on a case by case basis)
- » Course taught in English

#### DEADLINES

Application/Deposit: September 15

Scholarships: October 1

Final Payment: October 15

## ITINERARY

### JANUARY 2-15, 2021

#### Saturday, January 2

Optional flight from U.S. to Quito\*. Arrive in Quito and transfer to accommodation\*

#### Sunday, January 3

Orientation at USFQ Cumbayá Campus. Welcome lunch. Class begins

#### Monday, January 4

Travel to San Cristóbal Island, Galápagos. Orientation and welcome lunch at USFQ Extension Campus. Class on campus. Homestay family meet and pick-up

#### Tuesday, January 5

Class on campus. Visit to Interpretation Center and Frigate Bird Hill. Snorkel excursion in Darwin Bay

#### Wednesday, January 6

Class on campus. Visit to La Galapaguera Tortoise Breeding Station and Puerto Chino beach

#### Thursday, January 7

Class on campus. Visit La Lobería Beach for snorkeling and walk to see tropical birds' nests

#### Friday, January 8

Class on campus. Snorkeling at Kicker Rock

#### Saturday, January 9

Class on campus. Visit a local recycling plant and hike to El Junco crater lake

#### Sunday, January 10

Class on campus. Visit Isla Lobos to see the blue-footed booby nests and snorkel from the shore

#### Monday, January 11

Final exam. Travel by speed boat to Puerto Ayora on Santa Cruz Island

#### Tuesday, January 12

Visit Darwin Research Station and the Lava Java Organic Coffee Farm. Free afternoon to explore Puerto Ayora

#### Wednesday, January 13

Fly to Quito and overnight in hotel

#### Thursday, January 14

Guided tour of Quito historic center and Middle of the World Monument or guided visit to Otavalo Market

#### Friday, January 15

Optional return flight from Quito to U.S.\*

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*\*Included for students on the AIFS Flight Package only.*

## INCLUDED IN YOUR PROGRAM FEE

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### TUITION

3 semester credits



### HOUSING

with local families on San Cristóbal Island. Hotel accommodation is provided for the Quito and Santa Cruz Island sections of the program



### MEALS

Breakfast and lunch in Quito, 3 meals a day on San Cristóbal and breakfast and lunch on Santa Cruz



### EXCURSIONS

Quito, Ecuador (2 nights at the start of the program and 2 nights at the end) and Santa Cruz Island, Galápagos (2 nights)



### CULTURAL & SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

Guided tour of Quito's historic center and the Middle of the World Monument or Otavalo Market, visits to Frigate Bird Hill, El Junco Lake, La Galapaguera, La Lobería Beach, snorkeling excursion to Kicker Rock, Puerto Chino and Isla Lobos



### WELCOME EVENT

To help you get to know your classmates better, familiarize you with the local area and advise you about your stay



### HEALTH & SAFETY

24/7 emergency support and comprehensive insurance



### ON-SITE SUPPORT

To help with any questions or advice you may need throughout the program



### UNIQUE TO THE GALÁPAGOS ISLANDS

- » Galápagos National Park entrance fee and immigration card plus snorkeling equipment in the Galápagos
- » An isolated group of islands relatively unspoiled by tourism
- » Renowned for its biodiversity

## OPTIONAL COMPONENTS

### AIFS FLIGHT PACKAGE



See page 98 in the Application and Program Details chapter for details and fees.

#### Package includes:

- » Round trip flights U.S.-Quito-U.S.
- » Round trip transfers between the airport and campus overseas

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## HOUSING & MEALS

**INCLUDED**  

### Homestay

Students will stay with a carefully selected homestay family in San Cristóbal. By staying with local families you will gain a unique insight into island life and how the locals live and work.

- » Daily breakfast and dinner with the families
- » Most lunches in town or at the site of the academic visits

### Hotel

- » Hotel accommodation is provided in Quito and Santa Cruz Island with breakfast and lunch provided

## MEET YOUR AIFS TEAM

### YOUR RESIDENT DIRECTOR

AIFS provides a dedicated Resident Director for this program who will assist students throughout. Details and contact information will be available on the AIFS website prior to the start of the January-term program.

## LEARNING BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

### CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

Learning does not begin or end in the classroom. Visits and field trips are a key part of your academic study in the Galápagos, while social and cultural activities in Quito give you a better understanding of Ecuador, the South American country which governs the islands.

- » **Welcome lunch**
- » **Visit to El Junco**, a permanent fresh water lake where you can see frigate birds bathing to preen their feathers
- » **La Lobería**, a coral sand beach where you can see sea lions, a large colony of marine iguanas and birds
- » **La Galapaguera**, a man-made breeding program for tortoises and an information center for visitors. You can see giant land tortoises living in a semi-natural habitat
- » **Kicker Rock** one of San Cristóbal Island's most iconic sites and an excellent location for spotting manta rays, sea turtles and sharks
- » **Frigate Bird Hill** to spot the magnificent frigate birds
- » **The Interpretation Center** which focuses on the history of the archipelago from its volcanic origins to the present
- » **The Isla Lobos** to see the nests of the blue-footed boobies
- » **Quito** historic center and Middle of the World Monument guided tour or guided visit to Otavalo Market
- » **Farewell dinner**

*USFQ and AIFS promote conservation and sustainable tourism in the Galápagos Islands through education and research. All visits on the islands are to designated visitor sites.*

### INCLUDED EXCURSION

The program also includes an excursion to another island within the Galápagos archipelago.

### SANTA CRUZ ISLAND (2 DAYS)

Travel by speedboat to Santa Cruz, the island with the largest population of all the Galápagos and the most developed due to its history of human settlement and agriculture which began in the 20th century. Trip includes:

- » Round-trip transportation
- » Accommodations
- » Visits to the Charles Darwin Research Station and the Lava Java Organic Coffee Plantation farm
- » Free afternoon
- » Breakfasts and one lunch

# UNIVERSIDAD SAN FRANCISCO DE QUITO

La Universidad San Francisco de Quito (USFQ) is one of Ecuador's top-ranked universities and the only private, liberal arts university in the country. Founded in 1988, USFQ is a community of 7,000 students and 300 professors and is a leader in education, research, creativity and entrepreneurship in Latin America. USFQ opened its extension campus on San Cristóbal Island, Galápagos, in 2002 to promote conservation in the Galápagos through education and research.

## ACADEMIC OVERVIEW

Earn 3 credits taking an Environmental Science course.

**Admissions requirements** Open to high school graduates, college freshmen, sophomores, juniors and seniors with a minimum GPA of 2.5.

**Attendance** is required to receive full credit. Students exceeding the permitted number of unexcused absences may lose all or partial credit.

**Credits** are in parentheses. Credits are equal to American credits based on one credit for a minimum of 15 contact hours in the form of class time or experiential activities (excursions, visits and lectures at sites).

**Grades** No AIFS participant is permitted to take a course without receiving a grade. Pass/Fail grade options are not available.

**Transcripts** are issued by the Universidad San Francisco de Quito. One official copy will be sent to the student's home institution on completion of the program.

## COURSE

### Environmental Science 310 (3)

#### Ecosystems and Biodiversity in the Galápagos

This course aims to give students an overview of the Galápagos Islands and their unique role in changing our understanding of the biology of life. Students will learn about the formation of the islands and how this, along with their oceanographic setting, gave rise to the distinct biological communities found on each island. The course will delve into the human history of the islands and discover how colonization has brought direct and indirect threats to the Galápagos. Students will learn about and discuss the different approaches that have been taken to minimize, mitigate and eliminate these threats over the last fifty years. Finally, the course will investigate the future and discuss how the decisions of today will shape the Galápagos of the next fifty years.





# LONDON, ENGLAND

## AIFS STUDY CENTER IN LONDON

history | literature

### LIVE

Spend 3 weeks studying in the prestigious Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea, surrounded by places of extraordinary historical and cultural interest such as the Natural History Museum, Victoria and Albert Museum, Science Museum, Royal Albert Hall and Kensington Palace, former home to Diana, Princess of Wales and now home to Prince William and Catherine, Duchess of Cambridge and their children.

As a major political, financial, sporting and cultural center, London is one of the world's most thriving and cosmopolitan cities. Home to a multitude of museums and galleries, concert halls, theaters, historic buildings and a host of beautiful urban parks, London has something for everyone.

### LEARN

Earn 3 credits while studying in the heart of London. London itself plays a vital role in your study. You can learn about British fantasy writing on a Harry Potter tour or find out more about the history of London on visits to Hampton Court Palace, Westminster Abbey and the Tower of London.

### EXPLORE

Hop on the tube and visit Covent Garden, Camden Market, Leicester Square, Piccadilly Circus or the fabulous theater district where over forty theaters show plays six nights per week. View some of the world's finest works of art at the National Gallery and then take a stroll along one of London's many bridges over the River Thames to see how the city lights up at night or stop for dinner and warm up by the fire in a cozy pub. An optional excursion to Paris, France is also available.

### ALL-INCLUSIVE PROGRAM FEE

\$3,995

### OPTIONAL AIFS FLIGHT PACKAGE

*See page 98 in the Application and Program Details chapter for details and fees.*

### ELIGIBILITY

- » Open to college sophomores, juniors and seniors
- » Minimum 2.5 GPA (lower GPAs will be considered on a case by case basis)

### DEADLINES

Application/Deposit: October 1

Scholarships: October 1

Final Payment: November 15



## ITINERARY

**DECEMBER 30, 2020-  
JANUARY 21, 2021**

### Wednesday, December 30

Optional overnight flight from U.S. to London\*

### Thursday, December 31

Arrive in London. Transfer to accommodation\*

### Friday, January 1

Orientation

### Friday, January 2

Sightseeing tour of London

### Sunday, January 3

Day trip to Oxford

### Monday, January 4

Classes begin

### Friday, January 8 to Sunday, January 10

Optional weekend excursion to Paris

### Wednesday, January 20

Last day of class

### Thursday, January 21

Optional return flight to U.S.\*

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### TUITION

3 semester credits



### HOUSING

in double or triple rooms in  
residence halls



### MEALS

Allowance to subsidize the cost of  
breakfast and dinner Monday through  
Friday and for use in local grocery stores  
and restaurants



### CULTURAL & SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

Sightseeing tour of London, day trip to  
Oxford, visit to West End theater show,  
ride on the London Eye and visits to  
museums and galleries



### WELCOME EVENT

To help you get to know your classmates  
better, familiarize you with the local area  
and advise you about your stay



### HEALTH & SAFETY

24/7 emergency support and  
comprehensive insurance



### ON-SITE SUPPORT

To help with any questions or advice you  
may need throughout the program



### UNIQUE TO LONDON

- » Transportation pass
- » Excursion to Oxford
- » One of the world's most  
multicultural and cosmopolitan  
cities with iconic land marks and a  
long and fascinating history

## OPTIONAL COMPONENTS

### AIFS FLIGHT PACKAGE



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campus overseas

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### EXCURSION

- » Paris, France (3 days)



## HOUSING & MEALS

INCLUDED



### Student Residence

You will study in Kensington, one of the most picturesque areas of central London. The AIFS office, classrooms, the library, computer labs and coffee shops are clustered in a residential area of the borough. The student residence includes:

- » Double or triple rooms with shared bathrooms
- » A daily meal allowance of £15 Monday through Friday is provided in the form of a debit card for use in local grocery stores and restaurants

## MEET YOUR AIFS TEAM

### YOUR RESIDENT DIRECTOR



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Hello! I have been working for AIFS in London for more than 20 years helping support students on our study abroad programs. My degree is in American Studies, and I have spent time studying abroad in the U.S. and have traveled extensively in Europe. Away from work, I enjoy skiing, running, going to concerts and theater. I know first-hand how study abroad can be a life changing experience, and I look forward to helping you make the most of your time in the wonderful city of London.

## LEARNING BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

### CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

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**Guided city tour with a professional guide** See Buckingham Palace, Westminster Abbey and the Tower of London.

**Performance at a West End theater** London is renowned for its vibrant theater scene. See a show in the famous West End theater district and find out for yourself why it has the reputation of being the center of the theatrical world.

**Ride on the London Eye** Opened to celebrate the new millennium, this giant ferris wheel has quickly become one of London's best loved tourist attractions. Standing on the River Thames just across from the Houses of Parliament and Big Ben, the Eye gives spectacular views across the whole of London.

**Afternoon tea** Tea in a pot, scones with cream and jam, finger sandwiches and dainty cakes; nothing could be more British than afternoon tea in London. Enjoy the most English of institutions in a charming tea room.

Besides these arranged activities and visits you will undertake as part of the course you select, there is always something going on in and around London. Your Resident Director will give you all the information you need to find events and activities that interest you.

### INCLUDED EXCURSION

#### OXFORD (DAY TRIP)

Visit Oxford, home to the oldest university in the English-speaking world. Day trip includes:

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### OPTIONAL EXCURSION



#### PARIS, FRANCE (3 DAYS - \$595)

Take an unforgettable tour of the spectacular City of Light, which includes:

- » Hotel accommodations
- » Round-trip transportation to Paris via Eurostar train; transportation in Paris
- » Breakfast
- » Sightseeing bus tour of famous sights such as: the Eiffel Tower, Arc de Triomphe, Champs-Élysées and more
- » Entrance to the Louvre
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## ACADEMIC OVERVIEW

**Admissions requirements** Open to college sophomores, juniors and seniors with a minimum 2.5 GPA. Lower GPAs will be considered on a case by case basis. Evidence of academic ability is required in the form of your most recent transcript.

**Course selection** Choose one 3-credit course from the two listed. Courses taken for transfer credit should be approved by your advisor or appropriate person at your home school prior to registration.

**Credit hours** are in parentheses. Credits for each course are equal to American credits based on one credit for a minimum of 15 classroom hours plus home study. Classes are taught Monday through Friday for a total of 45 hours.

**Transcripts** One official copy will be sent to the student's home institution on completion of the program.

## COURSES

Choose one of the courses below. Classes are held Monday through Friday for a total of 45 hours.

### HST 5425 (3)

#### Historical London

This course surveys the history of London from its Roman origins to the modern cosmopolitan metropolis that it is today. Through a variety of themes, students will explore social, political and architectural developments of this urban center throughout the ages. Students will both read about and visit significant sites within London which illustrate aspects of the history of this great city including the Tower of London, Hampton Court Palace, St Paul's Cathedral and Westminster Abbey.

### LIT 5405 (3)

#### British Fantasy Writing

This course explores the long-standing, unique and vibrant tradition of fantasy literature in Britain. It will focus on the major literary fantasies from the past 120 years and their filmed adaptations, including works by Bram Stoker, J.R.R. Tolkien and J.K. Rowling. It will look at how these texts and their filmic counterparts revisit older ideas for novel purposes. Where possible, field trips to sites such as Strawberry Hill (first gothic home) and the Harry Potter Studios will be arranged to supplement this course.





## LONDON, ENGLAND

UNIVERSITY OF THE ARTS LONDON - LONDON COLLEGE OF COMMUNICATION

design | media

### LIVE

Spend 3 weeks studying in the hip London Borough of Southwark, surrounded by places of historical and cultural interest such as the Imperial War Museum, The Cinema Museum, Southwark Playhouse, Borough Market and not far from the Houses of Parliament.

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### LEARN

Earn 3 credits at a pioneering, world leading university in the heart of London. London itself plays a vital role in your study. You will learn about creative industries in the city not just in the classroom, but on visits to the museum of brands and local cooperatives and in the field video making on smartphones, putting into practice what you have learned.

### EXPLORE

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### ALL-INCLUSIVE PROGRAM FEE

\$4,695

### OPTIONAL AIFS FLIGHT PACKAGE

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### ELIGIBILITY

- » Open to college sophomores, juniors and seniors
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### DEADLINES

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## ITINERARY

**JANUARY 2, 2021-  
JANUARY 23, 2021**

**Saturday, January 2**

Optional overnight flight from U.S. to London\*

**Sunday, January 3**

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### HOUSING

in double or triple rooms in student residence



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#### Visit to the Design Museum

Street art walking tour to experience London's vibrant alternative art scene

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# UNIVERSITY OF THE ARTS LONDON - LONDON COLLEGE OF COMMUNICATION

Established in 1986 and with university status since 2003, University of the Arts London (UAL) is a federation of six arts colleges: Camberwell College of Arts, Central Saint Martins, Chelsea College of Arts, The London College of Fashion, The Wimbledon College of Arts and The London College of Communication which is where students on this course will be based. Studying in the creative capital of the world is an amazing opportunity, experience your subject in a new light in this thriving design and media college. There is also chance to mix with other study abroad students by taking part in the social program.

University of the Arts London has many famous alumni; follow in the footsteps of Alan Rickman, Jimmy Choo, Colin Firth, Alexander McQueen, Sir Henry Moore, Ralph Fiennes, the list goes on. UAL is a vibrant university that is very inclusive and supportive of emerging talent making it an ideal place to study abroad.

## ACADEMIC OVERVIEW

**Admissions requirements** Open to college sophomores, juniors and seniors with a minimum 3.0 GPA. Lower GPAs will be considered on a case by case basis. Evidence of academic ability is required in the form of your most recent transcript.

**Attendance** Is required to receive full credit. Students exceeding the permitted number of excused absences may lose all or partial credit.

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**Grades** No AIFS participant is permitted to take a course without receiving a grade. Pass/Fail grade options are not available.

A Record of Study and Achievement will be issued by the University of the Arts London. On completion of the program this will be sent to your home institution.

## COURSES

Classes are held Monday through Friday for a total of 45 hours.

### Study Abroad Module (3 credits) Creative Industries London

This course is designed to give students a solid foundation in theory and an introduction to disruptive design, media and screen practices. It will enable them to gain a critical understanding of developments in the media and cultural industries and their economic and political context and significance. Through workshops in blogging, photography and video, seminars about the network of cultural power and visits to creative hubs around the city students will examine the relationship between culture and commerce and be encouraged to reflect on their own practice as a creative enterprise.





## PARIS, FRANCE

INSTITUT DE LANGUE ET DE CULTURE FRANÇAISES (ILCF)  
COURS DE CIVILISATION FRANÇAISE DE LA SORBONNE (CCFS)  
AMERICAN BUSINESS SCHOOL, PARIS (ABSPARIS)

art history | business | fashion

### LIVE

Spend 3 weeks in one of the best-known cities in the world, home to countless historical monuments and museums. Paris has a rich past full of writers, artists, architects and political figures. The city has drawn intellectuals, free-thinkers and revolutionaries from Benjamin Franklin, Rousseau and Voltaire, to Gertrude Stein, Sartre and James Joyce. Paris is a modern, fast-paced yet romantic city, bursting with excitement and inspiration from around the world.

### LEARN

Earn 3 credits studying at either the Institut de Langue et de Culture Françaises (ILCF), the Cours de Civilisation Française de la Sorbonne (CCFS) or the American Business School (ABSParis), all highly respected institutions. Take a course on the history of architecture in Paris, French fashion or International Business. All courses are taught in English and will include visits to relevant sites in Paris to enhance classroom study.

### EXPLORE

Although a cosmopolitan capital city, one of the most charming aspects of Paris is its relatively small size and the ease with which you can travel about and see the sights. Take in the famous local monuments such as the Arc de Triomphe, the Eiffel Tower and the Sacré Coeur Basilica, and explore more of France's past on an excursion to the Château de Versailles.

Take an optional day trip to the Champagne region, the historic province where this luxury wine is produced and learn about the history of this most famous of French exports.

### ALL-INCLUSIVE PROGRAM FEE

\$3,895

### OPTIONAL AIFS FLIGHT PACKAGE

See page 98 in the Application and Program Details chapter for details and fees.

### ELIGIBILITY

- » Open to high school graduates, college freshmen, sophomores, juniors and seniors
- » Minimum 2.5 GPA (2.8 for American Business School). Lower GPAs will be considered on a case by case basis
- » No previous French language study required
- » All courses taught in English

### DEADLINES

Application/Deposit: October 1

Scholarships: October 1

Final Payment: November 15



## ITINERARY

**JANUARY 3 — 23, 2021**

**Sunday, January 3**

Optional overnight flight from U.S. to Paris\*

**Monday, January 4**

Arrive in Paris. Transfer to accommodation\*

**Tuesday, January 5**

Mandatory orientation meeting and afternoon sightseeing tour of Paris

**Wednesday, January 6**

Classes begin. Half-day excursion to Versailles

**Saturday, January 16**

Optional excursion to Reims in the Champagne region

**Friday, January 22**

Classes end

**Saturday, January 23**

Optional return flight from Paris to U.S.\*

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### TUITION

3 semester credits



### HOUSING

Double room in a Parisian homestay or, for a supplement, a double or triple room in a communal residence



### MEALS

Breakfast every day and dinner once a week in the homestay. Breakfast every day and lunch or dinner 5 days a week in the residence



### CULTURAL & SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

Sightseeing tour of Paris, visits to museums and monuments such as the Opéra Garnier, a Bateaux-Mouches boat trip and a trip to Versailles



### WELCOME EVENT

To help you get to know your classmates better, familiarize you with the local area and advise you about your stay



### HEALTH & SAFETY

24/7 emergency support and comprehensive insurance



### ON-SITE SUPPORT

To help with any questions or advice you may need throughout the program



### UNIQUE TO PARIS

- » An iconic European city
- » World class museums and monuments
- » Visits to Versailles
- » Campuses in the heart of Paris

## OPTIONAL COMPONENTS

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### EXCURSION

- » Champagne region (day trip)



## MEET YOUR AIFS TEAM

### YOUR RESIDENT DIRECTOR



**Danica Debizet**

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Bonjour! "Hello" in French, one of the four languages I am fluent in, along with English, German and Slovak. You have quite the experience awaiting you in Paris; from the cultural activities offered, the number of museums to visit and the various people you'll meet, it is sure to be an amazing time.

I studied for three separate MA degrees in Paris and Grenoble and have lived in four different countries. I consider myself a "global citizen" and am looking forward to helping you to adjust to your time abroad. As your Resident Director, I am here to advise, listen, help and encourage you to make your stay in Paris a wonderful experience that you will always remember. My door is always open to meet you.

## LEARNING BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

### CULTURAL ACTIVITIES



Learning does not begin or end in the classroom. To help you get a true taste of French culture, a wide range of cultural activities and excursions are included in your program fee. Activities and events will include:

- » Welcome dinner in a typical French restaurant
- » Guided city tour in a private bus with an English speaking professional guide
- » Visit to the Opéra Garnier
- » Bateaux-Mouches boat trip along the River Seine
- » Château of Versailles excursion
- » French King's cake and cider tasting

### INCLUDED EXCURSION

#### CHÂTEAU OF VERSAILLES (HALF-DAY)

Tour the magnificent and historically significant Palace of Versailles. This trip includes:

- » Round-trip transportation
- » Entrance fees

### OPTIONAL EXCURSION

#### THE CHAMPAGNE REGION (DAY TRIP - \$145)

Visit Reims, capital of the province of Champagne where the namesake wine is produced. Fee includes:

- » Transportation
- » A local guide
- » Champagne tasting at a French champagne cellar
- » Visit to Notre Dame Cathedral of Reims
- » Entrance to the Museum of the Surrender where Germany officially signed the surrender to end World War II
- » A minimum of 12 students is required for the excursion to run

*Dates and itineraries of all excursions are tentative and subject to change. Students must enroll and pay for the optional excursion in the U.S. by the final payment deadline. Once paid for excursions are non-refundable except in the event of cancellation by AIFS.*

## HOUSING & MEALS

### INCLUDED



#### Paris Homestay

Homestays are located within the city of Paris and about 30 minutes by metro from classes and the AIFS office. You will have a key and can come and go as you wish. The homestay includes:

- » Double bedroom with another AIFS student
- » Access to kitchen
- » Privacy for study
- » French style breakfast daily and 3 dinners with host family

### OPTIONAL

#### Communal Residence (\$795)

Live with other AIFS students in residence halls located in central Paris for a supplemental fee. The residence includes:

- » Double or triple bedrooms
- » Breakfast every day and lunch or dinner 5 days a week - this may be in the form of an allowance
- » Self-service laundry facilities

*Free Wi-Fi is provided in all Paris accommodations.*

## ACADEMIC OVERVIEW

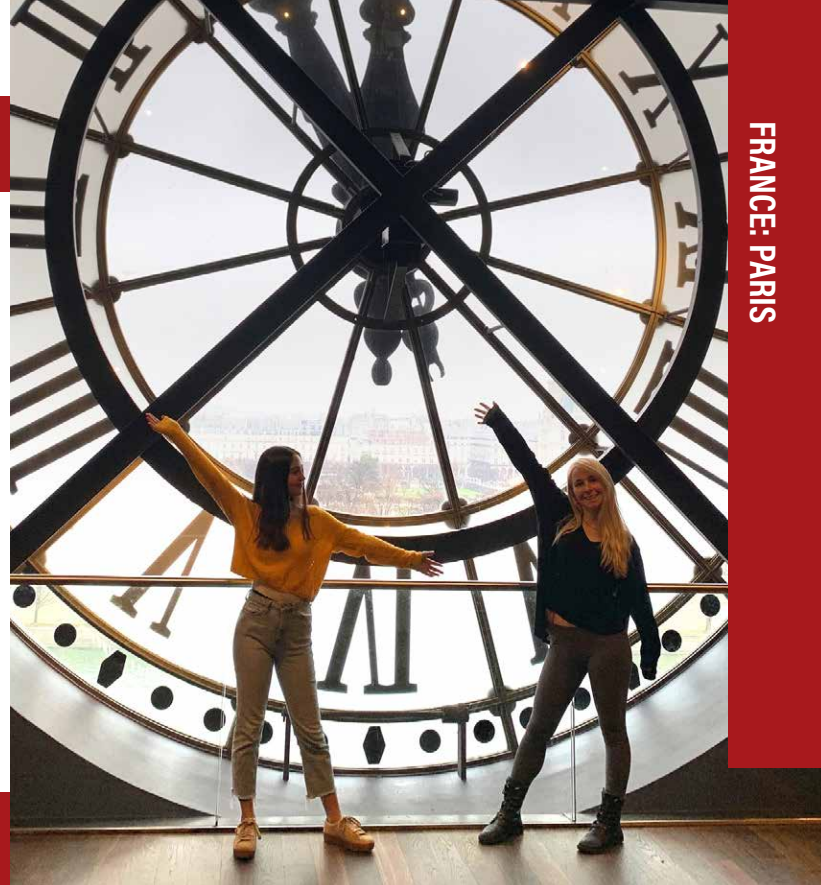
**Admissions Requirements** Open to high school graduates, college freshmen, sophomores, juniors and seniors with a minimum 2.5 GPA (2.8 for American Business School). Lower GPAs will be considered on a case by case basis.

**Attendance** is required for full credit. Unexcused absences are not permitted.

**Credit hours** are in parentheses. Classes are held for 3 or 4 hours a day, Monday through Friday for a total of 45 hours.

**Grades** No AIFS participant is permitted to take a course without receiving a grade. Pass/Fail grade options are not available.

**Transcripts** are issued by the Institut de Langue et de Culture Françaises, the Cours de Civilisation Française de la Sorbonne or the American Business School, Paris. One official copy will be sent to the student's home institution on completion of the program.



## COURSES

Choose one course from either the Institut de Langue et de Culture Françaises (ILCF) or the Cours de Civilisation Française de la Sorbonne (CCFS) or the American Business School (ABSParis).

### INSTITUT DE LANGUE ET DE CULTURE FRANÇAISES (ILCF)

ILCF is a department of the Catholic University of Paris, a highly respected private university approved and recognized by the French Ministry of Education. Re-founded in 1948, ILCF is an establishment of intellectual and research excellence. It welcomes 2,500 students every year from all over the world who want to learn French and take courses to become acquainted with French culture and civilization in a French environment. The J-term program offers an art history course in architecture taught in English.

#### Art History 308 (3)

##### Paris: World Capital of Arts and Architecture

With a focus on modernity and through visits to significant sites in the city, students learn to classify architectural function and style. Through discussion of social and economic conditions in which various buildings were constructed, students acquire an understanding of the historic conditions that defined the changing Parisian landscape in the 17th to 20th centuries.

### COURS DE CIVILISATION FRANÇAISE DE LA SORBONNE (CCFS)

The prestige of the Sorbonne is matched by few educational institutions. A centralized institution from its foundation until 1968, the Sorbonne is now one of the dozen or so independent units of the University of Paris. Dating back to 1919, the Cours de Civilisation Française de la Sorbonne has the status of a private institution for the teaching of French as a foreign language and courses about French culture and civilization. The J-term program offers a fine art course in French fashion taught in English.

#### Fine Arts 307 (3)

##### Fashion in France 18th-21st Century

The links between fashion and artistic, cultural, social and political contexts across French history are explored. The lasting dominance of Paris in the world of fashion is examined. Students will be able to appreciate how fashion and accessories have been used to express all types of identities. Students will visit different exhibitions and museums. Entrance fees may apply.

### AMERICAN BUSINESS SCHOOL, PARIS (ABSPARIS)

Founded in 1985 the American Business School of Paris (ABSParis) is an international business school that welcomes students from over 80 different countries, allowing students to make friends from around the world and encounter in an academic setting the kind of multicultural business relations they might experience in their future careers. ABSParis' goal is to prepare students for today's global economy with an international focus and programs at both the undergraduate and graduate level. The Bachelor of Business Administration degree is accredited in the U.S. by the International Accreditation Council for Business Education (IACBE accredited by CHEA) and also recognized in France through its certification by the French government. ABSParis is a member of AACSB International. All courses are taught in English and based on American educational methods: course flexibility and adaptability, interaction and exchange, online courses' selection as well as strong student-professor relationships.

#### Management 180 (3)

##### International Business

Examination of business activities across national borders with emphasis on the interaction and integration of the functional areas for effective strategic planning in multinational firms operating in developing, newly industrialized and developed countries. To give an overview of the means of conducting international business with an emphasis on what makes international business different from domestic business. The dimensions of the international environment will be examined and analyzed through real-world examples of operations undertaken by countries and companies attempting to conduct foreign business activities.



## BERLIN, GERMANY

HUMBOLDT-UNIVERSITÄT ZU BERLIN

cultural studies | German language | geography | history | international studies | law | political science | religious studies | sociology

### LIVE

An edgy, vibrant city that has reinvented itself several times over, Berlin is a modern, trend-setting capital with a complicated history. Its unique combination of grit and glamour will capture the imaginations of those interested in history, culture, art and architecture. Since the fall of the Berlin Wall in 1989 the city has become a powerful symbol of change and freedom. Its influence in the fashion, design and music worlds has led to comparisons with New York City in the 1980s.

Remnants of Berlin's past lie around every corner; as Lonely Planet notes, "Berlin is like a virtual 3D textbook where you find history staring you in the face at every turn." Landmarks such as the Brandenburg Gate, Checkpoint Charlie, the Reichstag and the crumbling remains of the Berlin Wall reflect the many phases of the city's past. For a city that over the last century alone staged a revolution and was headquartered by fascists, bombed to bits, ripped in half and finally reunited, Berlin has evolved into an iconic cultural hotspot.

### LEARN

During your time abroad, attend an internationally-recognized university and earn 3 credits studying courses in cultural studies, geography, history, law, political science, religious studies and sociology, all taught in English, or a German language course (available at 2 levels) for those who wish to experience true cultural immersion. Your courses will also include visits to various sites of interest in the city to give you a truly rounded experience.

### EXPLORE

During your stay, visit the UNESCO World Heritage site of Museum Island, the world-famous Brandenburg Gate and see the superb architecture of the impressive Reichstag building. See more of Germany on an included excursion to the city of Potsdam. Looking for more? Then take our optional excursion to Warsaw, Poland or just explore this vibrant city in your free time.

### ALL-INCLUSIVE PROGRAM FEE

\$3,895

### OPTIONAL AIFS FLIGHT PACKAGE

See page 98 in the Application and Program Details chapter for details and fees.

### ELIGIBILITY

- » Open to college freshmen, sophomores, juniors and seniors
- » Minimum 2.75 GPA (lower GPAs will be considered on a case by case basis)
- » No previous German language study required
- » Courses taught in English and German

### DEADLINES

Application/Deposit: September 15

Scholarships: October 1

Final Payment: October 15

## ITINERARY

### JANUARY 3-27, 2021

#### Sunday, January 3

Optional overnight flight from U.S. to Berlin\*

#### Monday, January 4

Arrive in Berlin. Transfer to accommodation\*

#### Tuesday, January 5

Orientation and sightseeing. Evening welcome reception

#### Wednesday, January 6

Classes begin

#### Saturday, January 9

Day trip to Potsdam

#### Sunday, January 10

Day trip to Sachsenhausen Concentration Camp

#### Friday, January 22 to Sunday, January 24

Optional excursion to Warsaw, Poland

#### Tuesday, January 26

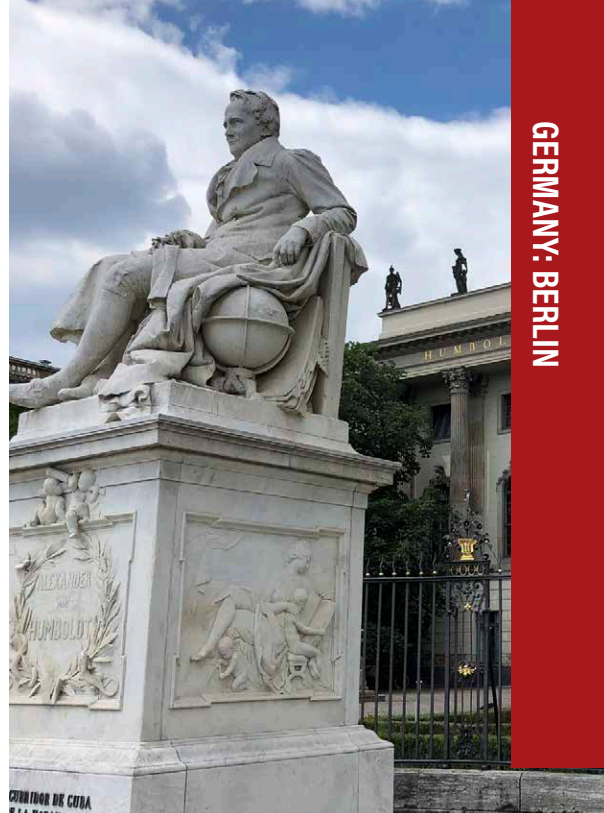
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#### Wednesday, January 27

Program ends. Optional return flight from Berlin to U.S.\*

*Itineraries are tentative and subject to change. Please visit [www.aifsabroad.com](http://www.aifsabroad.com) for the most up-to-date version.*

*\*Included for students on the AIFS Flight Package only.*



## INCLUDED IN YOUR PROGRAM FEE

The AIFS all-inclusive program fee includes all the great services below in addition to all of the pre-departure, on-site and upon return services available on each AIFS program. For details on these services see page 12 in the Get Started chapter.



### TUITION

3 semester credits\*



### HOUSING

double and single rooms in a university apartment



### MEALS

a pre-loaded meal card to subsidize the cost of purchasing meals in the university cafeterias



### CULTURAL & SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

The German Bundestag, the Museum of Contemporary Art, the Sachsenhausen Concentration Camp, Berlin Wall Memorial, ice-skating and a day trip to Potsdam



### WELCOME EVENT

To help you get to know your classmates better, familiarize you with the local area and advise you about your stay



### HEALTH & SAFETY

24/7 emergency support and comprehensive insurance



### ON-SITE SUPPORT

to help with any questions or advice you may need throughout the program



### UNIQUE TO BERLIN

- » Transportation pass
- » Museum pass
- » A dynamic, green and diverse European city with a fascinating history and thriving arts and music scene

## OPTIONAL COMPONENTS

### AIFS FLIGHT PACKAGE



See page 98 in the Application and Program Details chapter for details and fees.

#### Package includes:

- » Round trip flights U.S.-Berlin-U.S.
- » Round trip transfers between the airport and campus overseas

*Students not selecting the AIFS Flight Package are responsible for arranging their own flights according to the most up-to-date itinerary.*

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### EXCURSION

- » Warsaw, Poland (3 days)

*\*Due to the length of the program, we strongly recommend that students take only one 3-credit course. In exceptional cases and with the authorization of college advisors it may be possible to take two courses for a total of 6 credits. A supplemental fee of approximately \$825 is charged if students select the additional course.*



## HOUSING & MEALS

**INCLUDED**  

### University Apartment

You will live independently in a shared university apartment with two or three other AIFS students. Included is a pre-loaded meal card for use in university-subsidized student cafeterias or to purchase lunches at heavily subsidized prices. The apartment includes:

- » Shared kitchen and bathroom
- » Double or single bedrooms
- » Centrally located and near subway station for a short commute to the campus
- » Grocery stores, pharmacies and other conveniences nearby

## MEET YOUR AIFS STAFF

### YOUR RESIDENT DIRECTOR



#### Nele Thomsen

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Moin Moin und Hallo! Welcome to Berlin. I am from Hamburg originally, but have lived in Berlin for almost 20 years. I studied history, art history and English in Berlin and Potsdam and worked as a tour guide. I have also lived

abroad in England and Barcelona, Spain. It is a pleasure to accompany students on their journey to broaden their horizons, to explore the city and museums with them or to just find new spots and cafés to discuss the U.S. - German friendship.

I love the ever-changing way of the city, its vibrancy and the laid-back attitude. Berlin has something to offer everyone from museums, to clubs or historical sights like the Berlin Wall. And not far away you will find Potsdam and Dresden, with stunning palaces and gardens.

## LEARNING BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

### CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

Learning does not begin or end in the classroom. To help you get a true taste of German culture, various activities will be organized such as:

- » City sightseeing tour
- » Welcome reception
- » Visits to:
  - German Bundestag
  - Federal Chancellery
  - Memorial for the Berlin Wall
  - Charlottenburg Palace
  - Sachsenhausen Concentration Camp
- » An ice hockey game
- » Traditional farewell dinner

### INCLUDED EXCURSION

#### POTSDAM (DAY TRIP)

Take a trip to the royal capital city of Potsdam, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Visit includes:

- » Round-trip transportation
- » Guided tour and entrance fees



## OPTIONAL EXCURSION



### WARSAW, POLAND (3 DAYS - \$475)

Visit Poland during a trip to its historic capital city, Warsaw. Fee includes:

- » Accommodations
- » Round-trip transportation
- » Breakfasts and a typical Polish dinner
- » Guided tour of Warsaw Old Town, the market square, and Royal Route

- » Visit to the Museum of the History of the Polish Jews
- » Free time to explore the Warsaw Ghetto, the Palace of Culture and Science and take in the town
- » A minimum of 10 students is required for the excursion to run

*Dates and itineraries of all excursions are tentative and subject to change. Students must enroll and pay for the optional excursion in the U.S. by the final payment deadline. Once paid for excursions are non-refundable except in the event of cancellation by AIFS.*

## HUMBOLDT-UNIVERSITÄT ZU BERLIN

The University of Berlin was founded in 1810 and is Berlin's oldest university. Its name was changed to Humboldt in 1949 in honor of the statesman Wilhelm von Humboldt and his brother the naturalist Alexander von Humboldt. The university

occupies a former royal palace and was host to Marx and Engels as well as 29 Nobel Prize winners, including Albert Einstein and the nuclear scientist Otto Hahn. AIFS students take courses in the various departments of the university.

## ACADEMIC OVERVIEW

Earn 3 credits studying at Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin with a choice of courses in English or a German language course.

**Admissions requirements** Open to college freshmen, sophomores, juniors and seniors with a minimum 2.75 GPA (lower GPAs will be considered on a case by case basis).

**Attendance** is required to receive full credit. Students exceeding the permitted number of absences may lose all or partial credit.

**Course selection** The program fee includes one 3 credit course chosen from those listed. For a supplemental fee of approximately \$825 you can take two courses for a total of 6 credits (two subject courses or a German language course and a subject course). Bear in mind that taking two courses in 3 weeks is a heavy workload should you be considering this option. Courses taken for transfer credit should be approved by your advisor or appropriate person at your home school prior to registration.

**Grades** No AIFS participant is permitted to take a course without receiving a grade. Pass/Fail grade options are not available.

**Transcripts** are issued by Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin. One official copy will be sent to the student's home institution on completion of the program.

Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin awards ECTS (European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System) credits. The number of class hours and ECTS credits will be shown on the transcript to allow each student's home institution the ultimate decision in the awarding of U.S. credit. Recommended U.S. semester credits next to each course description are based on 15 classroom hours per semester credit and are not a conversion of ECTS credits. Students should consult with their university advisors prior to participating in the program to have course credit pre-approved and ensure that they are taking the appropriate amount of credits.



## COURSES

Choose one of the courses below. Suggested credit hours are in parentheses. Credits for each course are equal to U.S. credits based on one credit for a minimum of 15 classroom hours plus home study. Classes are taught Monday through Friday for a total of 45 hours. Courses have 4 ECTS (European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System) credits. All courses are taught in English except for "Berlin in the Winter" language course. The German language course is available at 2 levels: Elementary and Intermediate. Please note that courses are subject to change.

See [www.aifsabroad.com](http://www.aifsabroad.com) for the most current information.

### **German 101/201 (3)**

#### **German Language - Berlin in the Winter**

This course is specifically designed for those seeking instruction in the German language and is available at Elementary and Intermediate levels. The course can be combined with an English subject course and is suitable for participants who really want to discover Berlin with extra weekly cultural and social activities offered.

An online placement exam before departure determines the appropriate language level for you. German language classes are taught for 45 contact hours for 3 credits and appear on a Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin transcript. Each course is divided into grammar, conversation, vocabulary and culture and is taught in German. There is a maximum of 15 students in each class.

### **History/Political Science/Sociology 312 (3)**

#### **The Berlin Wall and Cold War Era**

For almost 30 years, the Berlin Wall was a symbol of the division of the city of Berlin, of Germany and of Europe during the era of the Cold War between the two superpowers, the United States of America and the Soviet Union. Consequently, the fall of the Wall in 1989 was a hugely symbolic turning point in world history. But how can we explain the building of such a dividing monument? How can we account for its fall in 1989? And how does the Wall influence our lives today? The course will provide answers to such questions via readings of texts from political science, sociology and history, while also taking the opportunity to explore the ground on which the events between 1961 and 1989 took place.

### **History/Cultural Studies 314 (3)**

#### **Cultural Memory - Museums in Berlin**

Museums are keepers of our cultural memory. Collecting, preserving and exhibiting are their main purpose. Museums focus on different subjects and face historical and cultural differences in various ways. What is worth collecting, or how are objects labeled and in what way are they displayed? These are essential questions museums pose today.

The course examines how different museums in Berlin answer these questions. Viewing historical and cultural heritage within the context of a collection brings up the issue of how objects are (re-)animated to tell a story within an exhibition. So, visits to collections and current exhibitions such as the Jewish Museum Berlin, the German Historical Museum or the Museum der Dinge are planned. How are exhibitions made? What tools do curators use? What does hands-on mean? How are objects animated, what stories do they tell and how do they respond to questions of gender or race?

### **History/Political Science/Sociology 316 (3)**

#### **Nazi Germany - Rise and Fall**

In two world wars Germany tried to dominate the globe and all major decisions were made in the capital Berlin.

Why was Germany such an aggressive power until 1945? How did Hitler manage to gain and keep power? Why were many Germans Nazis and deeply racist? How was the life of ordinary people during the war? Why did the Nazis kill millions of Jews and other innocent people in concentration camps? What were the long-term effects of World War II? What happened to the Nazis after the war?

The course will provide answers to such questions via readings of texts from political science, sociology and history, while also taking the opportunity to explore the locations in which the events between 1933 and 1945 took place.

After a brief introduction to the historical and ideological backgrounds which led to the rise of the Nazi Regime, we will turn to a detailed analysis of the event history which led to World War II. Finally, we will discuss the effects of World War II, on world history; e.g. the Cold War, European Integration, etc.

### **Law 315 (3)**

#### **Introduction to International Economic Law**

Multinational companies such as Google or Apple self-evidently act on a global stage, but today even small businesses participate in international trade. The integration of national companies and the elimination of barriers of trade no longer restricts development to a solely national level. With the growing importance of international commerce, the need for an 'International Economic Law' arises. Common principles of Economic Law will be examined by analyzing leading decisions by international courts. A substantial part of the course will be dedicated to classroom discussion of real-life cases. Students will gain a theoretical and practical understanding of the core branches of International Economic Law, the underpinning institutional frameworks and dispute settlement mechanisms.

Only open to undergraduate law or economics students and/or students with a strong interest in the topic.

Students interested in this class will need to write a one-page motivational letter describing their interest and background in the subject matter as well as listing previous courses taken either in the field of law, religious or cultural studies, social sciences, European studies to show their experience in the matter.



**Political Science/Sociology/Education 324 (3)****Global Governance: Power, Structure and Agency**

An overview of how global governance works in a world of networks, diluted power, fragmented organizational structures, renewed great power competition, and exceeded planetary boundaries. Some hope Germany will take on the mantle of "leader of the free world". While it is true that Germany has entered a phase of "new responsibility" in its foreign policy and remains strongly committed to the liberal order and global sustainability, it is becoming more and more difficult to project its influence into the global order.

The course will take this German perspective as a starting point to try to understand the state of global governance more broadly.

Finally, the course will revolve around the question of how to make the global liberal institutionalist order (and ultimately, our planet) more resilient in the face of new authoritarian challenges – after all, this is what Germany and other countries like it are striving to do.

**Religious Studies/Cultural Studies/Jewish Studies 308 (3)****Interreligious and Intercultural Dialogue in Germany**

Follows the complex trajectories linking interreligious and intercultural narratives in Germany today. How does the culture of memory in Germany, with its Christian frame and Jewish focus converge and diverge with more recent narratives of migration that have made Islam a visible presence in Germany? Students will interrogate this topic through dedicated lectures, workshops, and site visits to museums and other venues.

**Religious Studies/Ethics/Law/International Studies 317 (3)****Human Rights Violations in Germany: Gender, Colonial Crimes and Transnational Corporations**

This interdisciplinary course will give an insight into Critical Human Rights Discourse and Litigation in Germany. Using concrete human rights cases students will learn about the different bodies and instruments of human rights protection in Germany. With the understanding that strategic human rights litigation is only one of the many tools used to forward social change and justice, we talk about how these legal strategies and instruments can and should be intertwined with grassroots political awareness campaigns, the creation of associations to strengthen visibility, investments in public relations and advocacy for change and justice within social movements.

Texts of critical legal theory will be read, discussed and applied to the German context. These are interactive courses that have participants practicing the shifts of perspective proposed by the authors of the texts as acts of resistance to the premises of objectivity, neutrality, reasonableness and universality of contemporary hegemonic law. The courses will be team taught and aim to create a platform for dialogue on equal terms.

Students will be able to communicate directly with Berlin NGO's activists and state agencies in the field of human rights and anti-discrimination.

Students interested in this class will need to write a one-page motivational letter describing their interest and background in the subject matter as well as listing previous courses taken either in the field of law, religious or cultural studies, social sciences, European studies to show their experience in the matter.

**Sociology/Urban Planning/Geography 311 (3)****European City and Regional Development Planning - the Case of Berlin**

Focuses on the different challenges European regions are facing, e.g., integration and migration, social exclusion, demographic change, creative milieus, economic decline, shrinking cities and ecological renewal.

How is an aging society affecting our rural and urban areas?

How are migrants integrated in European cities?

Does Berlin have a creative class, and if so, how does it affect the city?

These are only some of the questions that will be discussed in the course. The city of Berlin is a hotspot for various regional developments. As a result, several of these aspects will be explored and explained during short excursions and day trips in Berlin (e.g., ethnic businesses and the migration situation in Neuköln, the newly developing zone Tempelhofer Feld).

Students of all relevant disciplines who are interested in different aspects of European regional development, including city and regional planning, geography, politics, social sciences and economics, are most welcome to join this course.





# ATHENS, GREECE

THE AMERICAN COLLEGE OF GREECE

archaeology | business | film | history

## LIVE

As the birthplace of democracy, Athens has always played an extraordinary role in world history. Celebrated as the ancient seat of classical thought, this cosmopolitan capital of Greece has always been a visually stunning city, but people often are surprised to learn that it is also a sophisticated modern city, with an efficient transport system, a young population, vibrant street life and a relaxed lifestyle.

Affordable and lively, Athens is ideal for students interested in enjoying the best of both worlds – visiting historic archaeological sites such as the magnificent Parthenon, the cobbled streets of the Plaka and the ancient churches which tell the story of centuries of history, while also enjoying stylish shops, eclectic art galleries and modern coffee shops. There is always something to discover in this magnificent city.

## LEARN

Earn 3 credits at The American College of Greece where you can choose a course in archaeology, business, film or history, all taught in English.

## EXPLORE

With an affordable and efficient transport system of buses, trolleys and a metro, Athens is a very easy city for students to explore. Wander along the Archaeological Promenade and take in the iconic sights, visit the flea markets in the bustling Monastiraki shopping area or relax in a traditional Greek taverna. Students studying in Athens will enjoy a cultural program including a guided day trip to Delphi plus walking tours, music and dancing lessons and the opportunity to meet with local students. There will also be free time to take a brief ferry ride to a nearby Greek Island or visit one of the many nearby quaint towns.

## ALL-INCLUSIVE PROGRAM FEE

\$4,195

## OPTIONAL AIFS FLIGHT PACKAGE

*See page 98 in the Application and Program Details chapter for details and fees.*

## ELIGIBILITY

- » Open to high school graduates, college freshmen, sophomores, juniors and seniors
- » Minimum 2.5 GPA (lower GPAs will be considered on a case by case basis)
- » All courses taught in English

## DEADLINES

Application/Deposit: October 1

Scholarships: October 1

Final Payment: November 15

## ITINERARY

**JANUARY 2 - 20, 2021**

**Saturday, January 2**

Optional overnight flight from U.S. to Athens\*

**Sunday, January 3**

Arrive in Athens. Transfer to accommodation.\* Orientation meeting with AIFS staff

**Monday, January 4**

Classes begin

**Tuesday, January 5**

Classes and Athens downtown tour

**Wednesday, January 6**

Greek National Holiday (Epiphany)

**Saturday, January 9**

Full-day guided excursion to Delphi and the Sanctuary of Apollo

**Saturday, January 16 to Sunday, January 17**

Free weekend for sightseeing

**Tuesday, January 19**

Classes end

**Wednesday, January 20**

Optional return flight from Athens to U.S.\*

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### TUITION

3 semester credits



### HOUSING

Double room in a student apartment



### MEALS

Allowance to subsidize the cost of purchasing meals and groceries



### EXCURSIONS

Delphi and the Sanctuary of Apollo



### CULTURAL & SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

Guided walking tour of Athens, visits to the famed Acropolis and Parthenon, visits to the Plaka, local markets and traditional Greek food tasting nights



### WELCOME EVENT

To help you get to know your classmates better, familiarize you with the local area and advise you about your stay



### HEALTH & SAFETY

24/7 emergency support and comprehensive insurance



### ON-SITE SUPPORT

To help with any questions or advice you may need throughout the program



### UNIQUE TO ATHENS

- » Campus style university
- » U.S. credit system
- » Travel pass
- » An ancient capital with a cosmopolitan culture

## OPTIONAL COMPONENTS

### AIFS FLIGHT PACKAGE

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## MEET YOUR AIFS TEAM

### YOUR RESIDENT DIRECTOR



**Alice Anastassiou**

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Hello! I am very much looking forward to welcoming you to Athens – my home town. I studied Economics at the American College of Greece (ACG) and then did postgraduate work in the U.K. I am very familiar with student life at ACG and at the same time, have first-hand experience of living and studying abroad.

I am here to make you feel comfortable and safe and provide you with all the vital information and guidance to get the most out of your experience in Athens, not as a tourist but with a glimpse of how locals enjoy their city, their walks along ancient paths, the coffee shops under the sun, local tavernas with traditional Greek cuisine, beaches and islands.

Athens is a beautiful city, one of the oldest in Europe with a unique blend of rich archaeological sites, numerous museums and a vibrant cultural life. The Athenians and Greeks in general, are known for their filoxenia, graciousness and hospitality, they will welcome you with a smile!

## LEARNING BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

### CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

To help students get the most out of their experience in Athens, the AIFS Resident Director will arrange a variety of social and cultural activities during the program such as:

- » Welcome reception
- » Sightseeing tour of Athens
- » Greek food tour
- » Traditional Greek dancing
- » Museum and gallery tours
- » Walking tours
- » Visits to local markets

*Please note that students may pay a small additional fee for some of the activities above.*

### INCLUDED EXCURSION

#### DELPHI AND THE SANCTUARY OF APOLLO (DAY TRIP)

Take a trip back in time to Ancient Greece while visiting Delphi and the Sanctuary of Apollo. Visit includes:

- » Round-trip transportation
- » Four course meal in a traditional Greek taverna
- » Entrance fees and a locally guided tour
- » Sightseeing in scenic ski resort town, Arachova

### CULTURAL IMMERSION

With a student body made up of 54 different nationalities, this is a truly international campus and affords visiting students the opportunity to meet with counterparts from all over the world. There are also many Greek students on campus and therefore students benefit from a full cultural immersion experience with plenty of opportunities to make friends and learn about Greek culture.

## HOUSING & MEALS

**INCLUDED**



### Residence Complex

You will live alongside other AIFS students in a beautiful residence complex just a 15-minute walk from campus in the suburb of Aghia Paraskevi. You will receive a meal allowance to subsidize the cost of purchasing meals and groceries. The residence complex includes:

- » Shared double room in a two to four-bedroom apartment with shared bathrooms
- » Fully-equipped kitchens with all dishes, cooking utensils, etc.
- » Breakfast food and snacks provided for the first few days
- » Complimentary on-site laundry facilities, 24/7 fitness center
- » A quiet study area, an outdoor area for relaxing and a large common area with TV for casual group gatherings
- » Free Internet access in all rooms and common areas

*The campus also includes a student cafeteria, coffee shop and a snack bar for the purchase of discounted meals, and there are local supermarkets and cafés nearby.*

# THE AMERICAN COLLEGE OF GREECE

The American College of Greece is the oldest, largest American-sponsored college in Europe. Located on a stunningly picturesque hillside at the edge of Athens, the 64-acre park-like campus offers an ideal setting to study in Greece.

The state-of-the-art fitness facilities on campus include a fitness center with a full range of fitness equipment, an Olympic-size swimming pool, soccer field and track, basketball arena, climbing wall and tennis courts.

Students are taught in modern classrooms and have access to one of the largest private libraries in Europe and a dedicated on-campus health center.

## ACADEMIC OVERVIEW

**Admissions Requirements** Open to high school graduates, college freshmen, sophomores, juniors and seniors with a minimum 2.5 GPA (lower GPAs will be considered on a case by case basis).

**Attendance** is required to receive full credit. Students exceeding the permitted number of unexcused absences may lose all or partial credit.

**Credit hours** are in parentheses. Credits are equal to American credits based on one credit for a minimum of 15 classroom hours plus home study. Classes are taught Monday through Friday.

**Grades** No AIFS participant is permitted to take a course without receiving a grade. Pass/Fail grade options are not available.

**Transcripts** are issued by The American College of Greece. One official copy will be sent to the student's home institution on completion of the program.

## COURSES

Students choose one course from the options below. Classes are taught Monday through Friday for a total of 45 hours.

### AH 2122 (3)

#### Topography and Monuments of Ancient Athens

This is a site-based archaeology course giving students an introduction to the topography and monuments of Athens from the Geometric period up to the Roman period. Students will gain familiarity with the archaeology, history and culture of this important ancient city, and as much of the learning takes place outside of the classroom, it will truly give students the opportunity to view the city from a new perspective.

*\$100-\$150 museum entrance fees and transportation to sites not included.*

### FILM TBC (3)

#### Urban Film Narratives: Encountering the City

The history of cinema and the development of the modern city are intimately related. This course uses Athens and its multifaceted urban landscape to explore representations of urbanity and cities on film, to understand how such representations are revelatory of identity. Screenings from the master works of cinema that draw heavily on the representation of cities will cover a variety of genres, film cultures and filmmakers. Athens will then be used as a prism through which the themes raised will be examined in a direct and personal way. Practical exercises will require students to



engage directly with the city in order to consider broader themes and global currents that define modern urban experience. Regular classes are complemented by fieldtrips whereby students will be entering the city to complete their assigned research and exercises. Students are expected to bring their own cameras (which may also be the camera on their smart phones) to undertake the visual and aural exercises.

### HY 3061 (3)

#### Modern Greece: A Troubled History

This course covers the developments in Greece from the Balkan Wars and the National Schism to the present. Particular attention will be paid to the role of Greece in the two world wars, the causes and consequences of the Civil War and the Dictatorship of 1967-1974 and the nature of the restored democracy after the fall of the junta.

### IB 2006 (3)

#### International Business

This course focuses on the essentials of international business and will give students an insight into the international business environment, international business law, cross-cultural interaction, international accounting, international finance, comparative management, international marketing and global corporations.



## HYDERABAD, INDIA (INCLUDING VISIT TO TAJ MAHAL)

UNIVERSITY OF HYDERABAD

history | social science

### LIVE

India is the biggest democracy in the world and a new global superpower. It is a country of extremes: ancient and modern, rich and poor, vibrant and serene. Home to more than 1.3 billion people and over 16 official languages, the subcontinent is an eclectic mix of ethnic groups, offering an intoxicating cultural experience for all visitors. Hyderabad is known as the City of Pearls resulting from its history as a pearl and diamond trading center. As the joint capital of the states of Telangana and Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad embodies a confluence of Hindu and Muslim culture, offering a rare opportunity to experience the cultural traditions of both these faiths, while simultaneously living in a modern, cosmopolitan city.

### LEARN

The University of Hyderabad's intensive Contemporary India course will give you an overview of India in the 21st century bringing insight into the country's emergence as an economic global powerhouse and the challenges it faces socially, culturally and politically. Study key elements of India's social structure and history such as the caste system, religion and the role of women. The course is led by Study in India Program faculty and is designed specifically for international students.

### EXPLORE

Your Indian adventure begins in north-west India with the classic Golden Triangle tour which takes in some of India's most famous cities; Delhi, Jaipur and Agra. This geographical triangle has been dubbed 'golden' for the vast wealth of culture and history that it encompasses from the magnificent Taj Mahal to the colorful bazaars of Jaipur. You will then travel south to Hyderabad to begin classes.

### ALL-INCLUSIVE PROGRAM FEE

\$3,295

### OPTIONAL AIFS FLIGHT PACKAGE

See page 98 in the Application and Program Details chapter for details and fees.

### ELIGIBILITY

- » Open to college sophomores, juniors and seniors
- » Minimum 2.75 GPA (lower GPAs will be considered on a case by case basis)
- » Course taught in English

### DEADLINES

Application/Deposit: September 15

Scholarships: October 1

Final Payment: October 15

## ITINERARY

### DECEMBER 26, 2020–JANUARY 19, 2021

#### Saturday, December 26

Optional overnight flight from U.S. to Delhi\*

#### Sunday, December 27

Arrive in Delhi (all students). Transfer to accommodation.\*

#### Monday, December 28

Golden Triangle tour begins

#### Friday, January 1

Golden Triangle tour ends. Flight to Hyderabad

#### Saturday, January 2 to Sunday, January 3

Registration and Orientation

#### Monday, January 4

Classes begin

#### Saturday, January 9

Day trip to Warangal

#### Monday, January 18

Classes end

#### Tuesday, January 19

Optional return flight from Hyderabad to U.S.\*

*Itineraries are tentative and subject to change. Please visit [www.aifsabroad.com](http://www.aifsabroad.com) for the most up-to-date version.*

*\*Included for students on the AIFS Flight Package only.*



## INCLUDED IN YOUR PROGRAM FEE

The AIFS all-inclusive program fee includes all the great services below in addition to all of the pre-departure, on-site and upon return services available on each AIFS program. For details on these services see page 12 in the Get Started chapter.



### TUITION

3 semester credits



### HOUSING

International student residence hall on campus in a double room



### MEALS

3 meals a day in the residence cafeteria which provides good quality Indian and Western food



### EXCURSIONS

Golden Triangle Tour with flight from Delhi to Hyderabad and Warangal day trip



### CULTURAL & SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

A city tour, cooking lesson and movie night and a day trip to a nearby place of interest and more



### WELCOME EVENT

To help you get to know your classmates better, familiarize you with the local area and advise you about your stay



### HEALTH & SAFETY

24/7 emergency support and comprehensive insurance



### ON-SITE SUPPORT

to help with any questions or advice you may need throughout the program



### UNIQUE TO HYDERABAD

- » An introduction to Indian cuisine with a cooking demo and a traditional meal
- » Watch experienced weavers create hand-woven, traditional Indian textiles
- » Explore the colorful bazaars and meet locals

## OPTIONAL COMPONENTS

### AIFS FLIGHT PACKAGE



See page 98 in the Application and Program Details chapter for details and fees.

#### Package includes:

- » Round trip flights U.S.-Delhi, Hyderabad-U.S.
- » Round trip transfers between the airport and campus overseas

*Students not selecting the AIFS Flight Package are responsible for arranging their own flights according to the most up-to-date itinerary.*

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## LEARNING BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

### CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

Learning does not begin or end in the classroom. To help you get a true taste of Indian culture, you will have the opportunity to participate in different activities such as:

- » Guided city tour of Hyderabad
- » Indian cooking lesson
- » Indian dance lesson
- » Walking tour
- » Museum visit

*Please note that students may pay a small additional fee for some of the activities above.*

### INCLUDED EXCURSIONS

#### GOLDEN TRIANGLE TOUR (5 DAYS)

Take an extraordinary tour of three of India's most famous cities Delhi, Jaipur and Agra:

- » Accommodations
- » Transportation including a flight from Delhi to Hyderabad
- » Breakfasts
- » Tour the iconic Taj Mahal in Agra
- » Visit the Parliament of India, India Gate and Chandni Chowk Market in Delhi
- » Guided tour of Jaipur, known as the 'Pink City' including visit to the Amber Fort
- » J-Term students will join AIFS spring semester students for this tour

#### WARANGAL (DAY TRIP)

Experience the stunning landscape of lakes and forests and centuries-old cultural riches of Warangal. Day trip includes:

- » Visit to the 13th century Warangal Fort, Bhadrakali Temple and Ramappa Lake and Temple
- » Visit the 12th century Thousand Pillar Temple

## HOUSING & MEALS

**INCLUDED**



### Student Residence

You will stay in the International Student Residence on campus with other AIFS and international students. The residence is basic but comfortable and includes:

- » Shared dining room, computer room and common room as well as laundry facilities
- » Double rooms (single rooms available for a supplemental fee)
- » 3 meals a day in the cafeteria

*Please check with your AIFS Admissions officer if you would like a single room.*

## MEET YOUR AIFS TEAM

### YOUR RESIDENT DIRECTOR



#### Dr. Sumana Kasturi

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Namaste!—that's hello in Hindi; but I also speak English, Telugu and Urdu. I'm excited to introduce you to the incredible diversity you'll find here in India.

I was born in Illinois but moved to India when I was very young. As my father was a professor at the University of Hyderabad, I lived on the campus for 10 years, so I am extremely familiar with the place that will be your temporary home! I also lived in the U.S. for 12 years so have experience in both education systems. I have an MA in Media Studies and Education from Penn State University and a PhD in Communications from the University of Hyderabad. I fully understand the adjustment you will experience as you acclimate to this new culture. My colleague Ishmeet and I, will do everything we can to make your stay here a comfortable, enriching and successful one.

### VISAS



Students traveling to India must apply for a visa with the appropriate Indian Embassy or Consulate as soon as they receive the required documents from AIFS. After acceptance AIFS will provide detailed instruction and the necessary official documents for obtaining the visa.





## UNIVERSITY OF HYDERABAD

The University of Hyderabad established the Study in India Program (SIP) in 1998, an interdisciplinary program of courses designed especially for international students which emphasizes heritage, continuity and change in India.

This program is coordinated and taught by faculty and guest faculty of the University of Hyderabad and is taught in English. Faculty at the Study in India program are appointed by the university both from its own faculty and from cooperating institutions and are supervised by the Director of the Study in India Program.

## ACADEMIC OVERVIEW

Academic administration is carried out by the Resident Director in coordination with the AIFS office and the Director of the Study in India Program.

**Admissions requirements** Open to sophomores, juniors, and seniors with a minimum 2.75 GPA (lower GPAs will be considered on a case by case basis.)

**Assessment and grading** Instructors will use a combination of assignments, quizzes, presentations, and exams in order to assess grades.

**Attendance** is required to receive full credit. Absence is only permitted in the case of ill-health.

**Credit Hours** Each credit requires a minimum of 15 classroom hours plus home study. The course on this program is a 3-credit course for a total of 45 hours.

**Grades** No AIFS participant is permitted to take a course without receiving a grade. Pass/fail grade options are not available.

**Transcripts** are issued by the University of Hyderabad. One official copy will be sent to the student's home institution on completion of the program.

## COURSE

### History/Social Science 304 (3) Contemporary India

This is an intensive academic program that deals with the diversities and complexities of India today and its emerging role in the twenty-first century. It is designed to provide an overview of socio-cultural, political-economic realms and developmental issues through a multi-disciplinary prism. The course content will be delivered through a series of lectures by faculty of the university who are experts in their respective fields and will engage you with new questions, perspectives and ideas. Readings will be provided to the students to accompany the lectures. Students are expected to keep up with the readings and participate in classroom discussions and debates.

The course deals with issues such as caste, religion, socio-cultural stratification, and is designed to bring a historical context to contemporary issues and realities. Topics include subjects and perspectives on philosophy, popular culture, media, development, literature, art, law, environmental policies, among others with themes including India and international relations, gender and society in contemporary India and Indian philosophy. The course includes lectures, interactive sessions, field trips, audio/video presentations, films and documentaries. There will also be cultural activities and field trips as part of the planned itinerary.



# DUBLIN, IRELAND

TRINITY COLLEGE DUBLIN

## Irish literature

### LIVE

With a rich cultural heritage of literature, art and history, Dublin is a popular destination for visitors from all over the world. There is much to see and explore in this friendly city including the architecture of the elegant Georgian townhouses, the lively traditional music scene, its many churches and cathedrals, historic family connections, the Guinness Storehouse and the famed Temple Bar. It is also a great base from which to visit Ireland's beautiful countryside. The historic campus at Trinity College is in the heart of the city center at the meeting point of retail and cultural districts.

### LEARN

Follow in the footsteps of alumni such as world-renowned authors Oscar Wilde and Samuel Beckett studying at the acclaimed Trinity College Dublin where you will earn 3 credits studying Modern Irish Writing.

### EXPLORE

Take in the sites of Dublin on a guided walking tour of the city, visit the famous Guinness Storehouse and immerse yourself in the traditional culture with an evening of Irish music. Explore more of Ireland on a guided excursion to the Wicklow Mountains where you will get a taste of Ireland's beautiful countryside.

The AIFS program will also include a variety of social and cultural activities giving students an authentic insight into the Irish way of life.

### ALL-INCLUSIVE PROGRAM FEE

\$4,495

### OPTIONAL AIFS FLIGHT PACKAGE

*See page 98 in the Application and Program Details chapter for details and fees.*

### ELIGIBILITY

- » Open to college sophomores, juniors and seniors
- » Minimum 3.0 GPA

### DEADLINES

Application/Deposit: October 1

Scholarships: October 1

Final Payment: November 15

## ITINERARY

### JANUARY 2-23, 2021

#### Saturday, January 2

Optional overnight flight from U.S. to Dublin\*

#### Sunday, January 3

Arrive in Dublin. Transfer to accommodation.\*

#### Monday, January 4

Orientation and local tour  
Classes begin

#### Saturday, January 9

Wicklow, Glendalough and Kilkenny day trip

#### Friday, January 22

Classes end

#### Saturday, January 23

Optional return flight from Dublin to U.S.\*

*Itineraries are tentative and subject to change. Please visit [www.aifsabroad.com](http://www.aifsabroad.com) for the most up-to-date version.*

*\*Included for students on the AIFS Flight Package only.*



## INCLUDED IN YOUR PROGRAM FEE

The AIFS all-inclusive program fee includes all the great services below in addition to all of the pre-departure, on-site and upon return services available on each AIFS program. For details on these services see page 12 in the Get Started chapter.



### TUITION

3 semester credits



### HOUSING

Double rooms in shared apartments or student residences



### MEALS

Meal allowance to subsidize the cost of purchasing meals and groceries



### EXCURSION

Day trip to Wicklow, Glendalough and Kilkenny



### CULTURAL & SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

Guided walking tour of Dublin, a traditional Irish music night and a visit to the Guinness Storehouse



### WELCOME EVENT

To help you get to know your classmates better, familiarize you with the local area and advise you about your stay



### HEALTH & SAFETY

24/7 emergency support and comprehensive insurance



### ON-SITE SUPPORT

to help with any questions or advice you may need throughout the program



### UNIQUE TO DUBLIN

- » Experience Trinity College's unique academic system
- » Guinness storehouse visit
- » Travel pass
- » Local guest speakers
- » Enjoy the renowned Irish hospitality and charm

## OPTIONAL COMPONENTS

### AIFS FLIGHT PACKAGE



See page 98 in the Application and Program Details chapter for details and fees.

#### Package includes:

- » Round trip flights U.S.-Dublin-U.S.
- » Round trip transfers between the airport and campus overseas.

*Students not selecting the AIFS Flight Package are responsible for arranging their own flights according to the most up-to-date itinerary.*

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## HOUSING & MEALS

**INCLUDED**  

### Student Apartments or Student Residences

You will live with other AIFS students and receive a meal allowance to subsidize the cost of purchasing meals and groceries. The housing includes:

- » Shared double bedrooms
- » Access to communal facilities
- » Living area, bathroom and a fully-equipped kitchen
- » Linen and towels with access to laundry facilities
- » Free Wi-Fi

## MEET YOUR AIFS TEAM

### YOUR RESIDENT DIRECTOR



#### Catriona Ryan

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Hi there! My name is Catriona, and I will be the AIFS Resident Director in Dublin. I started working for AIFS in the summer of 2018. I'm originally from Dublin but grew up in Hong Kong. I moved back here in 2013 to finish secondary school and started at Trinity College in 2017. I now live in

the heart of Dublin and have never felt more at home. I fell back in love with my Irish roots as soon as I moved back here, so I am absolutely delighted to be sharing these experiences in my home town with you! Dublin (and all of Ireland) has so much to offer, and I hope you can fill your time here with experiences that you won't forget. I am here to help you with anything that you need, so please don't hesitate to ask!

## LEARNING BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

### CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

Learning does not begin or end in the classroom. To help you get a true taste of Irish culture, various activities will be organized such as:

- » A guided walking tour of Dublin
- » Traditional Irish music night
- » A visit to the Guinness Storehouse to learn about the history of this world-famous brand and its importance to Dublin
- » A sporting event or a theater performance

### INCLUDED EXCURSION

#### WICKLOW, GLENDALOUGH AND KILKENNY (DAY TRIP)

Travel into the beautiful Irish countryside to the Wicklow Mountains and Glendalough. Includes:

- » Scenic views of the round towers, Celtic crosses, waterfalls and landscapes
- » Visit to Kilkenny



## TRINITY COLLEGE DUBLIN

Founded in 1592 by Queen Elizabeth I, Trinity College Dublin is Ireland's oldest and top-ranked university. Trinity's 47-acre campus is packed with historic buildings, cobblestoned walkways and cutting-edge facilities, creating a tightly-knit community in the center of Dublin. Trinity's alumni, including Oscar Wilde, Samuel Beckett, Jonathan Swift and Ernest Walton, have helped shape the modern world. Offering degrees in dozens of subjects, many ranking in the world's top 100, Trinity blends four centuries of academic excellence with pioneering research and a vibrant student community in the heart of a European capital city.

Students taking the 'Modern Irish Writing' course will be taught by expert faculty from the prestigious School of English at Trinity College Dublin, supported by advanced research and teaching assistants from the university. The School of English at Trinity is one of the oldest in Britain or Ireland, and in 1867 it founded the first ever Chair in English Literature. Teaching will take place in the Arts Building at Trinity College Dublin, and specialist workshops will be taught in the historic Trinity library, built between 1712 and 1732.

Students on the AIFS program will have access to the college Wi-Fi network and reader tickets for reading and research privileges for the Trinity College libraries.

## ACADEMIC OVERVIEW

Earn 3 credits studying at Trinity College Dublin taking a course in Modern Irish Writing.

**Admissions requirements** Open to college sophomores, juniors and seniors with a minimum 3.0 GPA, who are currently enrolled in an undergraduate degree program.

**Attendance** is required to receive full credit. Students exceeding the permitted numbers of unexcused absences may lose all or partial credit.

**Credit hours** Credits are equal to U.S. credits based on one credit for a minimum of 15 classroom hours plus home study. This course will meet for 45 hours of teaching and tutorials, Monday to Friday throughout the program and is recommended for 3 credits.

**Grades** No AIFS participant is permitted to take a course without receiving a grade. Pass/Fail grade options are not available.

**Transcripts** are issued by Trinity College Dublin. One official copy will be sent to the student's home institution on completion of the program.

Transcripts are issued using ECTS (European Credit Transfer System) with 6 ECTS equivalent to approximately 3 US credits. Students should confer with their academic advisor at their home institution in the U.S. to discuss credit conversion and gain course pre approval before they arrive.

## COURSE

Classes are taught Monday through Friday for a total of 45 hours.

### LIT 315 (3)

#### Modern Irish Writing

Trinity College Dublin has been the home of Irish literature in English for four centuries. The School of English 'Modern Irish Writing' course is an exciting program aimed at introducing students to the best of Irish literary tradition and culture from 1900 to the present day. You will read the poetry of William Butler Yeats, Patrick Kavanagh and Seamus Heaney, discuss the theater of Samuel Beckett and Marina Carr, consider the short stories of James Joyce, Sean O'Faolain, Frank O'Connor, Mary Lavin and Claire Keegan.

In addition to offering students a broad overview of Irish writing in the twentieth and twenty-first centuries, the module will have special components on the poetry of Seamus Heaney, James Joyce's Dublin and contemporary Irish writing. Students will be able to visit various Dublin city settings such as the James Joyce Centre, the Hugh Lane Gallery, the National Museum, the National Library and see a play at Dublin's iconic Abbey Theatre, established by W.B. Yeats and Lady Augusta Gregory in 1904. Each student will receive a course reader.

Supporting academic visits include entrance to the Old Library and the Book of Kells, and a session on manuscripts and archives in the historic Trinity College Library.



## BRIXEN, ITALIAN ALPS, ITALY (WITH 2 NIGHTS IN MUNICH, GERMANY)

AIFS STUDY CENTER IN ITALY

### Italian food and culture

#### LIVE

Beginning in Munich, Germany, you will explore the city and its surroundings and visit Neuschwanstein Castle which inspired Disney's fairytale castles. Then move to the north of Italy and experience the holidays the Italian way, staying in Brixen, one of the most popular ski resorts in the Alps and famous for its culinary excellence and its Christmas markets. In January the piazza is filled with festive stalls selling traditional gifts and local specialties. Spend your spare time skiing, snowboarding or simply enjoying the beautiful mountain scenery. Visit Bozen (the main city in the area) and the world-famous Iceman Ötzi Museum to see the glacier mummy who died 5,300 years ago and whose body was preserved in the ice until being discovered by hikers in 1991.

#### LEARN

The Slow Food movement was started in Italy in the 1980s with the aim of promoting good food, regional traditions and a slow pace of life. Brixen has a rich culinary history which is influenced by Mediterranean and Alpine traditions making it the perfect location to study food culture and examine the effects of our reliance on mass produced fast food. Savor the flavors of regional cooking, learn about food ethics and sustainable agriculture and discover the delights of local cuisine on tasting visits to local producers. Learn how to taste rather than simply consume; how to adapt to the rhythm of the seasons and use available produce rather than rely on frozen and pre-packaged food. This approach to nutrition is gaining momentum and where better to learn about it than in Italy where the Slow Food movement was born and has always been a part of the traditional culture.

#### EXPLORE

Take in the sites in and around Brixen with visits to museums, churches and local producers, or just soak up the Christmas atmosphere as a local. Brixen offers excellent skiing opportunities and a ski pass is included, giving you the opportunity to enjoy the area's 12 slopes which cater to all abilities. Explore more of Italy on an optional excursion to Milan where you will see the marvelous gothic Duomo and enjoy the buzz in the streets of the most glamorous city in Italy.

#### ALL-INCLUSIVE PROGRAM FEE

\$3,995

#### OPTIONAL AIFS FLIGHT PACKAGE

*See page 98 in the Application and Program Details chapter for details and fees.*

#### ELIGIBILITY

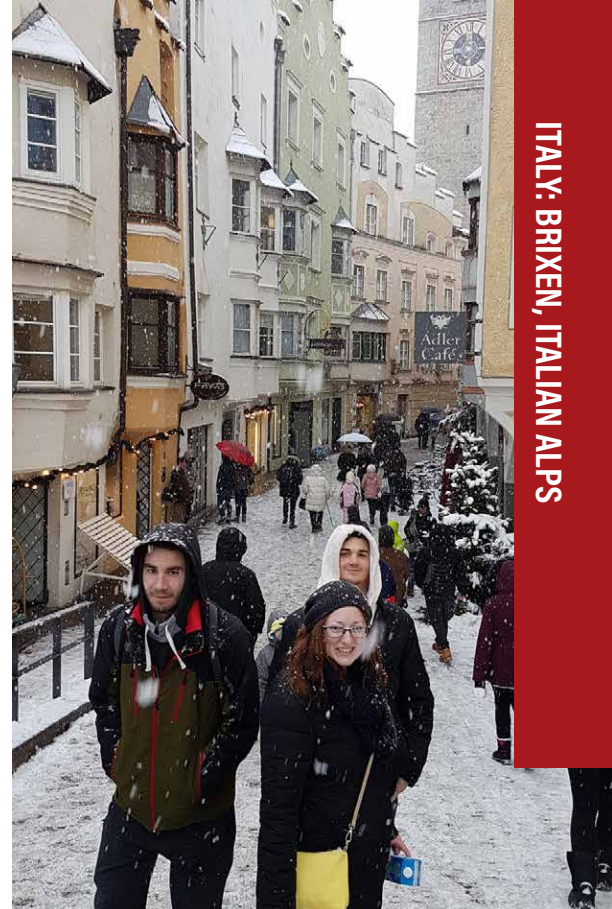
- » Open to high school graduates, college freshmen, sophomores, juniors and seniors
- » Minimum 2.5 GPA (lower GPAs will be considered on a case by case basis)
- » No previous Italian language study required
- » Course taught in English

#### DEADLINES

Application/Deposit: October 1

Scholarships: October 1

Final Payment: November 15



## ITINERARY

### DECEMBER 26, 2020-JANUARY 14, 2021

#### Saturday, December 26

Optional overnight flight from U.S. to Munich, Germany\*

#### Sunday, December 27

Arrive in Munich. Transfer to the hotel.\*  
Visit the city and free time for dinner

#### Monday, December 28

Munich sightseeing

#### Tuesday, December 29

Visit to Neuschwanstein Castle. Transfer to Brixen, Italy and welcome dinner

#### Wednesday, December 30

Orientation, local tour and class begins

#### Friday, January 1 to Sunday, January 3

Ski break

#### Thursday, January 7

Visit to Bozen and the Ötzi Iceman Museum

#### Saturday, January 9 to Sunday, January 10

Optional excursion to Milan

#### Thursday, January 14

Final exam. Evening optional return flight to U.S.\*

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## INCLUDED IN YOUR PROGRAM FEE

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### TUITION

3 semester credits



### HOUSING

Shared rooms in a student residence in the historical center of Brixen and in a hotel in Munich



### MEALS

10 vouchers for lunch or dinner to use in a choice of selected local restaurants in Brixen



### CULTURAL & SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

Museum visits, walking tours, visits to local food producers and visit to Bozen and the Ötzi Museum



### WELCOME EVENT

To help you get to know your classmates better, familiarize you with the local area and advise you about your stay



### HEALTH & SAFETY

24/7 emergency support and comprehensive insurance



### ON-SITE SUPPORT

To help with any questions or advice you may need throughout the program



### UNIQUE TO BRIXEN

- » 2-day trip to Munich, Germany before arriving in Brixen
- » 3-day ski pass (equipment rental not included)
- » Spectacular Alpine location with wonderful regional cuisine

## OPTIONAL COMPONENTS

### AIFS FLIGHT PACKAGE



See page 98 in the Application and Program Details chapter for details and fees.

#### Package includes:

- » Round trip flights U.S.-Munich, Germany -U.S.
- » Round trip transfers between the airport and campus overseas.

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### EXCURSION

- » Milan, Italy (2 days)



# LEARNING BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

## CULTURAL ACTIVITIES



Learning does not begin or end in the classroom. To help you get a true taste of Italian and European culture, various activities will be organized such as:

- » 2 nights in Munich, Germany including a visit to the iconic Neuschwanstein Castle
- » Visit to a winery and wine cellar
- » Visit to a milk factory
- » Trip to Bozen and the Iceman Ötzi museum
- » Walking tours
- » Museum visits
- » Visit to a brewery

## INCLUDED EXCURSION

### MUNICH, GERMANY (2 NIGHTS)

At the start of your trip, discover charming Munich and its culinary delights, regional crafts and traditional Bavarian character. Experience a guided tour of the city and visit to the Neuschwanstein Castle. Visit includes:

- » Accommodation
- » Breakfast
- » Transportation
- » Entrance fees and sightseeing

## OPTIONAL EXCURSION

### MILAN (2 DAYS - \$575)

Milan is considered Italy's capital of chic, with hundreds of places to visit, art to admire and food to savor. Fee includes:

- » Accommodation
- » Breakfast
- » Transportation
- » Entrance fees and sightseeing
- » Visit to the incredible gothic cathedral, the Duomo, and free day for shopping
- » Visit to the Renaissance Sforzesco Castle with Michelangelo's final, uncompleted sculpture, the Pietà Rondanini and the Pinacoteca Ambrosiana with paintings by Leonardo da Vinci, Caravaggio, Raffaello and Titian

*Dates and itineraries of all excursions are tentative and subject to change. Students must enroll and pay for the optional excursion in the U.S. by the final payment deadline. Once paid for excursions are non-refundable except in the event of cancellation by AIFS.*

## HOUSING & MEALS

**INCLUDED**



### Student Residence

Live in a student residence alongside other AIFS students in the historical center of Brixen. You will be living right in the heart of the city with locals as your neighbors and be able to walk to class each day. The residence includes:

- » Shared rooms
- » 10 vouchers for lunch or dinner at a choice of selected restaurants or pizzeria

*Information will be given to you upon arrival with your vouchers showing you where all the restaurants are as well as explaining the special set menus that have been selected and arranged just for AIFS students.*

## MEET YOUR AIFS TEAM

### YOUR RESIDENT DIRECTOR



#### Dr. Simona Michelotti

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Ciao! I have been working with AIFS since 1988. I was born in Malta and received my Laurea from the University of Florence. I also studied abroad, spending a summer in the U.S. I love traveling and continue to enjoy comparing

different cultures. In the academic year I am based in Florence where I am the Director of the International Internship Program and the summer programs and now I'm also the Director of the Brixen Program, which I'm very proud of. My goal is always to try to transmit our culture through the courses and activities we offer, and I am very excited to introduce you to this beautiful region in the Italian Alps where you will learn so much about the Italian way of life and one of our national passions—food!

It is important to me to share my time with you during your program and to get to know you better. I am very much looking forward to welcoming you to one of my favorite regions of Italy and to helping you learn about our culture as we experience it together...day by day!



## ACADEMIC OVERVIEW

**Admissions requirements** Open to high school graduates, college freshmen, sophomores, juniors and seniors with a minimum 2.5 GPA (lower GPAs will be considered on a case by case basis).

**Attendance** is required to receive full credit. Students exceeding the permitted number of absences will fail the course.

**Credit hours** are in parentheses. Credit for the course is equal to American credits based on one credit for a minimum of 15 classroom hours plus home study. Classes are taught Monday through Thursday for a total of 45 hours.

**Grades** No AIFS participant is permitted to take the course without receiving a grade. Pass/Fail grade options are not available.

**Transcripts** One official copy will be sent to the student's home institution on completion of the program.

## COURSE

Class is held for a total of 45 hours and is taught in English.

### HST 5825 (3)

#### Italian Food and Culture

According to anthropologist Jon Holtzman, the tastes and flavors of a country's traditional table are a meaningful representation of its collective memory. This course will thus show the deep link between geography, history and the culture of Italian regional dishes which have made Italy known worldwide. Attention will be devoted to the development of the Italian food culture, and students will be introduced through lectures, seminars, guest lectures and tastings/visits to local producers, to the 'invisible' thread that links the resources of many Italian areas to their food practices. We will also analyze different food practices of the Italian and Mediterranean diet, highlighting regional gastronomic traditions and their origins. Among the topics to be discussed are the issues of Italian regional differences in how food is prepared, the representation of Italian food practices in media and cinema, food symbolism in Italian culture, food ethics and sustainable agriculture, with an examination of today's fast and slow food traditions in Italy.

*"It's one thing to study food in books, quite another to eat and with the communities that defend the simple pleasures of traditional Slow Food. Brixen and other remote mountain areas in Italy recognized early on that the dignity of place and people threatened by globalization are the very things that define their communities. With politics that are neither left nor right, food (and how it is valued) plays an important role in forging healthy communities and economies. Here's your chance to experience first-hand that there is more to life than scale, speed and success through experiential, tactile learning in a beautiful international setting."*

- Richard McCarthy, Executive Director, Slow Food USA





## ROME, ITALY

### AIFS STUDY CENTER IN ROME

art history | drawing | Italian language and culture | psychology | religion | sociology

#### LIVE

Spend 3 weeks exploring the unparalleled wealth of history and monuments of the Eternal City. Rome offers an outstanding international education experience and countless opportunities to immerse oneself in 3000 years of Italian culture and to appreciate the city's ancient and contemporary art, architecture, opera, music, theater, cinema and food. As a contemporary European capital, it is utterly unique. Right in the center of Italy, once the seat of a great empire, Rome is still a monumental, busy capital, center of government, home to international organizations and corporations and yet an appealingly relaxed place, with a center that still preserves its traditions and old village charms.

#### LEARN

During your time abroad, attend an internationally recognized university and earn 3 credits studying Art and Culture in Rome, Comparative World Religions, Cross Cultural Psychology or Culture and Style in Italy (all of which are taught in English), or study Italian Language taught in Italian. Rome itself plays an important role in your study and site visits to key institutions/monuments will be an important part of your academic schedule.

#### EXPLORE

There is more to see and to experience in Rome than anywhere else. Here you will learn history and art while visiting the Colosseum, the Pantheon, Spanish Steps, Trevi Fountain or the Vatican Museums and wandering along the streets trodden by emperors, popes, writers, musicians, poets and artists fascinated by the unique beauty and mesmerizing atmosphere of the Eternal City. Visit Assisi and the Umbria region on an included day trip and explore more of Italy on an optional 3-day excursion to Florence, where you will taste delicious Tuscan food, learn about Italian traditions and history and visit the cradle of Renaissance art. Travel via fast train from Rome, stay in a centrally-located hotel, admire Michelangelo's masterpieces at the Accademia Gallery, the Ponte Vecchio and other places of interest with a professional art historian.

#### ALL-INCLUSIVE PROGRAM FEE

\$3,995

#### OPTIONAL AIFS FLIGHT PACKAGE

See page 98 in the Application and Program Details chapter for details and fees.

#### ELIGIBILITY

- » Open to high school graduates and college freshmen, sophomores, juniors and seniors
- » Minimum 2.5 GPA (lower GPAs will be considered on a case by case basis)
- » No previous Italian language study required
- » All courses taught in English except for Italian Language

#### DEADLINES

Application/Deposit: October 1

Scholarships: October 1

Final Payment: November 15

## ITINERARY

**DECEMBER 31, 2020 - JANUARY 22, 2021**

**Thursday, December 31**

Optional overnight flight from U.S. to Rome\*

**Friday, January 1**

Arrive in Rome. Transfer to hotel.\*

Overnight in a hotel

**Saturday, January 2**

Orientation and transfer to accommodation

**Monday, January 4**

Classes begin

**Tuesday, January 5**

Evening welcome reception

**Saturday, January 9**

Day trip to Assisi and the Umbria region

**Friday, January 15 to Sunday, January 17**

Optional excursion to Florence

**Thursday, January 21**

Classes end

**Friday, January 22**

Optional return flight to U.S.\*

*Itineraries are tentative and subject to change. Please visit [www.aifsbroad.com](http://www.aifsbroad.com) for the most up-to-date version.*

*\*Included for students on the AIFS Flight Package only.*



## INCLUDED IN YOUR PROGRAM FEE

The AIFS all-inclusive program fee includes all the great services below in addition to all of the pre-departure, on-site and upon return services available on each AIFS program. For details on these services see page 12 in the Get Started chapter.



### TUITION

3 semester credits



### HOUSING

in centrally located apartments or in an Italian home



### MEALS

Meal vouchers for breakfast and lunch (or dinner) five days per week



### EXCURSIONS

Assisi and the Umbria region



### CULTURAL & SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

Visits to the Colosseum and the Vatican Museum, Michelangelo's Sistine Chapel, St. Peter's Square. Enjoy concerts, the ballet, art exhibits and more



### WELCOME EVENT

To help you get to know your classmates better, familiarize you with the local area and advise you about your stay



### HEALTH & SAFETY

24/7 emergency support and comprehensive insurance



### ON-SITE SUPPORT

To help with any questions or advice you may need throughout the program



### UNIQUE TO ROME

- » An unlimited travel pass for use on the buses, trams, trains and Metro
- » Peer mentoring from Italian undergraduate students
- » A treasure trove of iconic historical ruins, buildings and art awaits from the Roman Forum to Michelangelo's Sistine Chapel

## OPTIONAL COMPONENTS

### AIFS FLIGHT PACKAGE



See page 98 in the Application and Program Details chapter for details and fees.

#### Package includes:

- » Round trip flights U.S.-Rome-U.S.
- » Round trip transfers between the airport and campus overseas

*Students not selecting the AIFS Flight Package are responsible for arranging their own flights according to the most up-to-date itinerary.*

Visit [www.aifsbroad.com](http://www.aifsbroad.com) for details.

### EXCURSION

- » Florence (3 days)



## HOUSING & MEALS

INCLUDED



### APARTMENT

Each apartment is privately owned and is unique in atmosphere, size, design, facilities, floor plan, and number of bedrooms.

- » Shared with 2 to 6 other AIFS students
- » Double rooms (some single rooms may be available)
- » Kitchen supplies and furnishings
- » Washing machine

### HOMESTAY

Living with an Italian family gives you invaluable cultural insight and fast progress with the Italian language.

- » Shared room with another AIFS student
- » Own key
- » Access to kitchen

*Internet access is included in all AIFS housing in Rome*

*All program-arranged accommodations are carefully selected in central, safe and agreeable areas of the city. Please note that a limited number of homestays are available.*

### MEALS

- » Vouchers to be used for breakfast and lunch (or dinner) five days per week for three weeks to use in selected local restaurants, trattorias, coffee shops and grocery stores

## MEET YOUR AIFS TEAM

### YOUR RESIDENT DIRECTOR



**Rosanna Graziani**

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Ciao! I have been a Resident Director for AIFS since 1995; first in Florence, and subsequently here in Rome. I received my Laurea (MA) with honors from the University of Florence in English language and literature and then specialized in museum studies at the University of Perugia. I studied abroad myself as a student, spending time in France, Spain and the U.K. I love yoga and travelling, and I have visited many countries including the U.S.

My favorite aspect of being your Resident Director is to see Italy through your eyes and hear about your adventures in our beautiful city. You will be able to share your new experience with me and my team very easily, because our office is in the Study Center. We are always on hand to talk about everything from the Italian architecture to the rhythm of life and to answer any questions you may have.

I hope to guide and support you as you leave your home country and immerse yourself into a new and wonderful experience.

### AIFS STUDY CENTER

AIFS Study Center is located in a beautiful building in the heart of Rome's historic center, close to Piazza Navona and the Pantheon. The Spanish Steps, Trevi Fountain, Colosseum, Trastevere and Vatican City.

In addition to classrooms, the AIFS study center houses administrative offices, a computer lab with Wi-Fi hotspots, a laser printer, a reference library, and two small student lounges. The center is entirely Wi-Fi accessible. Students and faculty regularly gather in the welcoming spaces of the Study Center to study and socialize.

A dedicated team of qualified English-speaking staff members is available to support students with a range of services, from academic queries and advice on adjusting to the new culture to travel advice and local area information.



## LEARNING BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

### CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

Learning does not begin or end in the classroom. To help you get a true taste of Italian culture, various activities will be organized such as:

- » Italian cooking classes
- » Food markets
- » Wine tastings
- » Visit to the Vatican Museums, the Colosseum and the Roman Forum
- » Concerts
- » Walking tours
- » Gelato tour
- » Museum visits
- » Italian soccer matches
- » Farewell dinner

### INCLUDED EXCURSION

#### ASSISI AND THE UMBRIA REGION (DAY TRIP)

Discover the medieval villages of Assisi and Spello in Italy's gorgeous Umbria region. Trip includes:

- » Round-trip transportation
- » Sightseeing with an art professor including a tour of the Basilica of St. Francis and visit to a mill and olive oil tasting in Spello

#### OPTIONAL EXCURSION



#### FLORENCE (3 DAYS - \$545)

Explore Florence, the jewel of Renaissance Italy, during an unforgettable visit with:

- » Accommodations
- » Breakfasts and one food and wine tasting
- » Round-trip transportation
- » Entrances fees
- » See Michelangelo's David at the Accademia Gallery
- » Guided sightseeing tour of the city center
- » Visits to the Palazzo Pitti, Santa Croce and more
- » Free time to explore

*Dates and itineraries of all excursions are tentative and subject to change. Students must enroll and pay for the optional excursion in the U.S. by the final payment deadline. Once paid for excursions are non-refundable except in the event of cancellation by AIFS.*

## ACADEMIC OVERVIEW

**Admissions requirements** Open to high school graduates, college freshmen, sophomores, juniors and seniors with a minimum 2.5 GPA (lower GPAs will be considered on a case by case basis).

**Attendance** is required to receive full credit. Students exceeding the permitted number of absences may lose all or partial credit.

**Course selection** Choose one 3-credit course. Courses taken for transfer credit should be approved by your advisor or appropriate person at your home school prior to registration.

**Credit hours** are in parentheses. Credits for each course are equal to American credits based on one credit for a minimum of 15 classroom hours plus home study. Classes are taught Monday through Friday for a total of 45 hours.

**Grades** No AIFS participant is permitted to take a course without receiving a grade. Pass/Fail grade options are not available.

**Transcripts** One official copy will be sent to the student's home institution on completion of the program.

*"Studying abroad has affected both my academic career and my personal growth. Studying in Rome presented me with an opportunity to be completely immersed in the Italian language as well as being surrounded by art from Ancient Rome, to the Renaissance and to the Baroque period. The opportunity to be continually surrounded by works of art by Michelangelo, Raphael, Bramante, Caravaggio, Bernini and more is incredible. I could just walk into a church and a statue created by Michelangelo or a painting by Caravaggio would be sitting right there for viewing. It was mind-blowing."*

—Margaret, St. John Fisher College

*"I love the meal plan. I think it's a great part of the program and definitely made me not spend all of my actual money on food. There are so many options. It was fantastic!"*

—Charlene, Grossmont College



## COURSES

Choose one of the courses below. With the exception of Italian language, all courses are taught in English. Classes are taught Monday through Friday for a total of 45 hours. A minimum enrollment of 10 is required to confirm a course. Language classes are always offered. Should Italian courses not reach the minimum enrollment, students may attend classes at Leonardo da Vinci school a short walking distance from the AIFS Study Center with other international students.

### Italian Language Courses

These 45-hour courses are taught at the Rome Study Center by highly qualified local instructors. A1, A2 etc. after course code indicates CEFR (Common European Framework of Reference for Languages) level.

#### ITL 3831 - A1 (3)

##### Elementary Italian I

A thorough, basic introduction to the Italian language for those with little or no previous experience, the course teaches essential vocabulary and grammar and develops students' ability to communicate in an authentic linguistic context.

#### ITL 3832 - A1/A2 (3)

##### Elementary Italian II

Designed for students who already have some knowledge of Italian, the course revises basic grammar and vocabulary before progressing to more complex structures and functions leading up to the next, Intermediate, level. Classes are conducted mainly in Italian, with ample opportunity for student oral practice.

#### ITL 4831 - A1/B1 (3)

##### Intermediate Italian I

This course helps students to develop their ability to communicate effectively and accurately, using an expanded range of vocabulary. Conversation practice improves listening and interpretation skills. Reading and writing exercises improve skills in understanding prose and writing. Prerequisite: successful completion of 3/4 semesters of Italian.

#### ITL 4832 - B2 (3)

##### Intermediate Italian II

This course enables students to understand and respond to quite complex lines of argument, both in oral and in written form. Students are introduced to more complex forms of grammar and more sophisticated vocabulary, to give them the ability to carry out and refine skills in listening, speaking, reading and writing in Italian.

#### ITL 5830 - B2/C1 (3)

##### Advanced Italian

This course introduces students to advanced structures and vocabulary, which will enable them to interact with the Italian world at a sophisticated level. It enables them to understand lectures and complex lines of argument, including various attitudes and viewpoints, both in oral and in written form. They should become fluent and spontaneous in verbal interaction, and will be able to present and sustain an argument, both orally and in evidenced-based writing.

#### ADM 5875 (3)

##### Sketchbook of Rome

Drawing is used as a basic exploratory tool to examine Rome as the site for both subject—in particular the river Tevere—and as a research resource for the practice of drawing—especially in the Roman churches, galleries and museums. The course is divided between working in the studio and on location in Rome. The sketchbook is an essential aspect of the course in helping students to document the city, stimulate and develop ideas and as a reminder that drawing is a portable medium. A studio fee is levied on this course.

#### AVC 5840 (3)

##### Art and Culture in Rome: 800 BC - 2000 AD

This course examines the history and society of Rome and its architectural and artistic expression as it developed over a period of 3000 years. Students study key examples of architecture, monuments and art from Classical Rome through to the Renaissance, Baroque and the modern period.

Class visits may include Largo Argentina and the Pantheon, Colosseum and Forums, Vatican Museums (Sistine Chapel) and St. Peter's Basilica, Castel Sant'Angelo and Piazza Augusto Imperatore.

#### PSY 4800 (3)

##### Cross-Cultural Psychology

This course provides a multicultural and global perspective on psychology. Students analyze how culture influences human thoughts and behavior across cultures by integrating theoretical and applied components of cross-cultural psychology with theory and research.

#### RLG 5810 (3)

##### Comparative World Religions

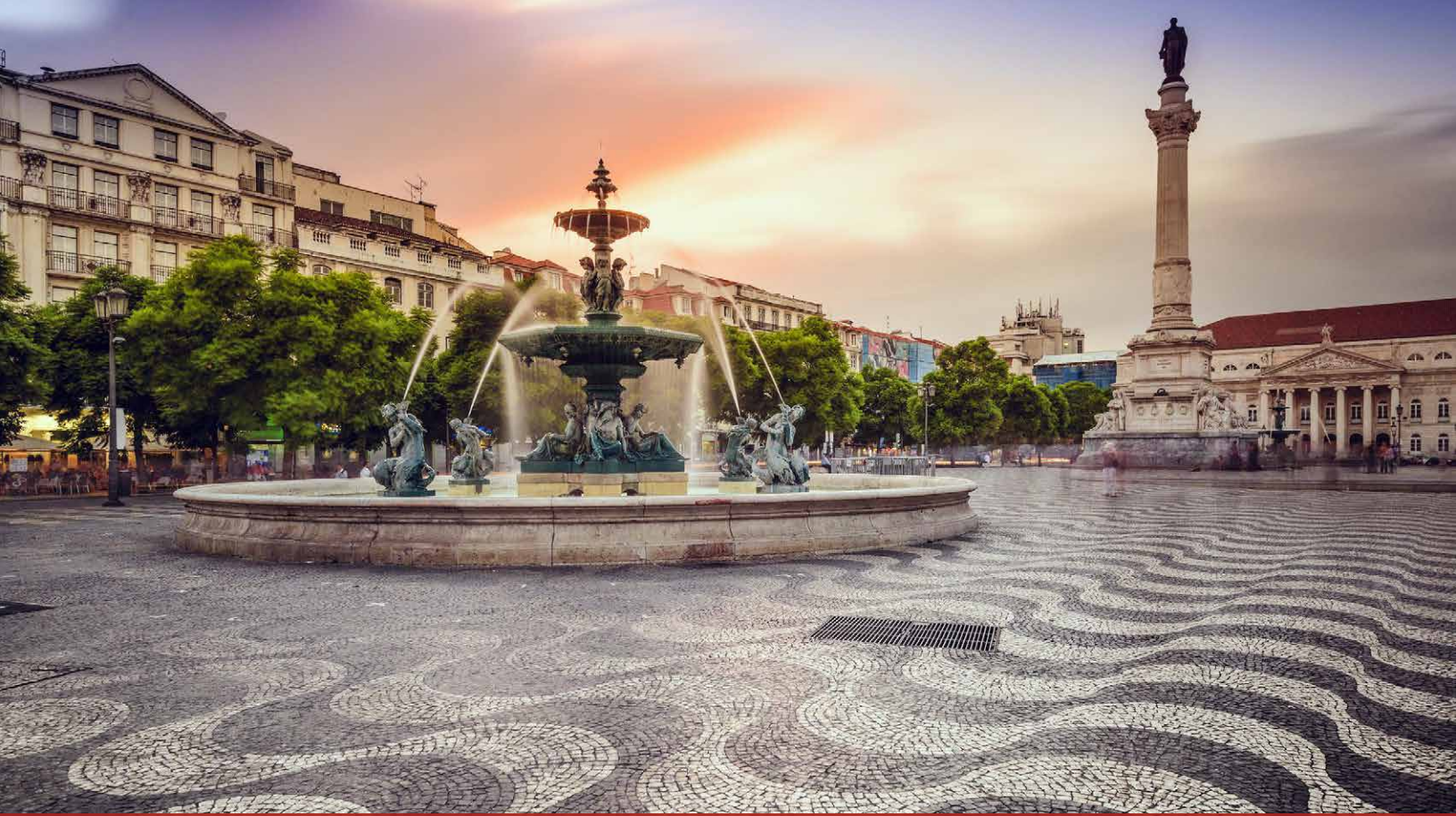
This course explores the monotheistic religions of the Near East (Judaism, Christianity and Islam), those of India and the Far East (Hinduism, Buddhism and Taoism) and the "new-age" faiths. Special emphasis is laid on the philosophical and psychological basis of each religion and common themes such as "the self", suffering and free will and ethics. Guest speakers and class visits form an integral part of the course.

#### SCL 5855 (3)

##### Culture and Style in Italy

This course is recommended for students with an interest in contemporary Italian culture and style. The course focuses on aspects of post-war Italian culture including cuisine, fashion, religious beliefs and the persistence of superstition. Lectures cover topics such as the role of women, food and wine as cultural traditions, the effect of social change and culture and style. Lectures are supported by field visits, food and wine tasting sessions and audio-visual materials. Class visits may include the historical urban Testaccio market; Eataly, a high-end chain of Italian food markets; an organic farm; the Italian Parliament and Alta Roma, the fashion agency that promotes Made-In-Italy products and values.





## LISBON, PORTUGAL

ISCTE - INSTITUTO UNIVERSITÁRIO DE LISBOA  
INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS SCHOOL

### international business

#### LIVE

Spend three weeks in one of the oldest cities in the world, home to numerous museums and attractions. Declared a city by Julius Caesar, Portugal's capital has a rich cultural history and is recognized as an alpha-level global city because of its international interconnectedness in industries from financial services and the media to tourism. Lisbon is also just a short distance away from many Blue Flag beaches, which attract surfers from around the world.

#### LEARN

Earn three credits at ISCTE - Instituto Universitário de Lisboa Business School, which holds the prestigious AACSB and AMBA business accreditations. Take a business course at this renowned Business School with other international students. The course is taught in English and will include company visits to enhance your classroom study.

#### EXPLORE

Lisbon is the capital of Portugal and one of the most affordable cities in Europe. It's easy to navigate on foot or by tram, and there is so much to see and do. The castles and monasteries reveal much of the city's history, as does the port, the point of departure for many explorers such as Vasco da Gama in the fifteenth century. While Lisbon is home to the oldest bookstore in the world, it also has modern shopping centers with fashionable boutiques. The city is famous for its excellent cuisine, from street food to high-end dining, and a big attraction is the Time Out Market, a food hall with communal seating from a variety of local restaurants and an ideal place to try pastel de nata (the famous Portuguese custard tarts). For an evening's entertainment, go to a bar or restaurant to listen to traditional Portuguese fado music performed live.

#### ALL-INCLUSIVE PROGRAM FEE

\$3,995

#### OPTIONAL AIFS FLIGHT PACKAGE

*See page 98 in the Application and Program Details chapter for details and fees.*

#### ELIGIBILITY

- » Open to high school graduates, college freshmen, sophomores, juniors and seniors
- » Minimum 2.5 GPA (lower GPAs will be considered on a case by case basis)
- » No previous Portuguese language study required
- » All courses taught in English

#### DEADLINES

Application/Deposit: October 1

Scholarships: October 1

Final Payment: November 15





## ITINERARY

**JANUARY 2 - 16, 2021**

**Saturday, January 2**

Optional overnight flight from U.S. to Lisbon\*

**Sunday, January 3**

Arrive in Lisbon. Transfer to accommodation\*

**Monday, January 4**

Orientation meeting/activities and welcome lunch. Classes begin

**Friday, January 15**

Classes end. Farewell dinner

**Saturday, January 16**

Optional return flight from Lisbon to U.S.\*

*Itineraries are tentative and subject to change. Please visit [www.aifsabroad.com](http://www.aifsabroad.com) for the most up-to-date version.*

*\*Included for students on the AIFS Flight Package only.*

## INCLUDED IN YOUR PROGRAM FEE

The AIFS all-inclusive program fee includes all the great services below in addition to all of the pre-departure, on-site and upon return services available on each AIFS program. For details on these services see page 12 in the Get Started chapter.



**TUITION**

3 semester credits



**HOUSING**

double or single room in a student residence with other international students



**MEALS**

welcome meal, farewell meal and a pre-paid meal card to supplement the purchase of groceries and some meals on campus



**CULTURAL & SOCIAL ACTIVITIES**

sightseeing tour of Lisbon, visits to museums and monuments, market tour, a visit to Belém and a day trip to Sintra



**WELCOME EVENT**

To help you get to know your classmates better, familiarize you with the local area and advise you about your stay



**HEALTH & SAFETY**

24/7 emergency support and comprehensive insurance



**ON-SITE SUPPORT**

To help with any questions or advice you may need throughout the program



**UNIQUE TO LISBON**

- » Trip to a UNESCO World Heritage site
- » Travel pass for use on the local buses and iconic trams
- » Lisbon's famous seven hills overlooking the River Tejo offer stunning views

## OPTIONAL COMPONENTS

**AIFS FLIGHT PACKAGE**



See page 98 in the Application and Program Details chapter for details and fees.

**Package includes:**

- » Round trip flights U.S.-Lisbon-U.S.
- » Round trip transfers between the airport and campus overseas

*Students not selecting the AIFS Flight Package are responsible for arranging their own flights according to the most up-to-date itinerary.*

Visit [www.aifsabroad.com](http://www.aifsabroad.com) for details.



## HOUSING & MEALS

**INCLUDED**



### STUDENT RESIDENCE

Live with other AIFS students in residence halls located near the university and a short bus ride away. The student residence includes:

- » Single or double bedrooms
- » Meal card for use in the campus cafés and restaurants
- » Kitchen and dining room
- » Study room
- » Self-service laundry facilities

*Wi-Fi is provided in all Lisbon accommodations.*

## MEET YOUR AIFS TEAM

### YOUR RESIDENT DIRECTOR

A dedicated AIFS Resident Director will be on-site throughout your program providing guidance, support and information on all aspects of the program.

Details of the AIFS Resident Director at the ISCTE - Instituto Universitário de Lisboa will be posted on the AIFS website [www.aifsabroad.com](http://www.aifsabroad.com)

## LEARNING BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

### CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

Learning does not begin or end in the classroom. To help you get a true taste of Portuguese culture, a wide range of cultural activities and excursions are included in your program fee. Activities and events will include:

- » Welcome lunch
- » Guided city tour
- » Visit to Sintra and Belém
- » Tour of the famous Lisbon market
- » Fado evening

### INCLUDED EXCURSIONS

#### SINTRA

Visit the UNESCO World Heritage site located in the foothills of the Sintra Mountains. Includes:

- » Transportation to Sintra, home of beautiful parks, gardens, monasteries, palaces and castles.
- » Tour of the manor house and gardens
- » Free time for lunch and exploring

#### BELÉM

Visit Belém, famous for its concentration of cultural and historical sites. Includes:

- » Transportation to Belém, situated at the mouth of the Tagus River a few miles from the city center
- » Opportunity to visit sites like the Belém Tower, Jeronimos Monastery and museums
- » Visit the Monument to the Discoveries, celebrating the 500th anniversary of Henry the Navigator



## ISCTE - INSTITUTO UNIVERSITÁRIO DE LISBOA INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS SCHOOL

Created in 1972, the IBS is one of four schools that make up the University ISCTE-Instituto Universitário de Lisboa. Currently 3,500 students are enrolled in the undergraduate, masters, and PhD programs offered by the school's six departments: Accounting, Economics, Finance, Marketing Operations and Management, Quantitative

Methods for Management and Economics and Human Resources and Organizational Behavior. As well as being recognized worldwide for its teaching and research, the IBS is well known for its multicultural and international approach to education. The school also holds the prestigious AACSB and AMBA business accreditations.

## ACADEMIC OVERVIEW

**Admissions requirements** Open to high school graduates, college freshmen, sophomores, juniors and seniors with a minimum 2.5 GPA. Lower GPAs will be considered on a case by case basis.

**Attendance** is required for full credit. Unexcused absences are not permitted.

**Credit** hours are in parentheses. Classes are held for 3 hours a day, Monday through Friday for a total of 45 hours.

**Grades** No AIFS participant is permitted to take a course without receiving a grade. Pass/Fail grade options are not available.

**Transcripts** are issued by the ISCTE - Instituto Universitário de Lisboa - Business School. One official copy will be sent to the student's home institution on completion of the program.

## COURSE

### Business 308 (3)

#### Cross Cultural Communication and Negotiation

This course is designed to introduce students to the management of cross-cultural differences and leadership in the globalized world by being effective in communication and negotiation. There will also be the opportunity for local business visits.

The course's learning goals are:

- » To understand key influences of culture in human behavior, in the work place and at the individual relationship level and also in international settings

- » To enhance individual intercultural competence to efficiently interact - communicate and negotiate - with people from diverse cultural backgrounds
- » To develop critical thinking ability and problem-solving skills through experiential classes

Other courses may be offered. See the AIFS website for details [www.aifsabroad.com](http://www.aifsabroad.com)



# STELLENBOSCH, SOUTH AFRICA

STELLENBOSCH UNIVERSITY

## photography | South African wine and winemaking

*Including a tour along the Garden Route for photography students*

### LIVE

Breathtaking scenery and inspiring people are hallmarks of any visit to South Africa. Despite its tumultuous history there is hope for the future and pride in what has already been achieved. AIFS offers two programs with the University of Stellenbosch which is located in an historic town in the winelands of the Western Cape and surrounded by spectacular mountain ranges. January is a wonderful time of year to visit when the summer weather showcases the best of the country's stunning landscapes.

### LEARN

Choose between two programs each worth 3 credits: photography or South African wine and winemaking. The photography program begins with theory lectures and site visits in and around Stellenbosch. This is followed by a 6-day practical component traveling through the Garden Route which stretches along the Western Cape coastline and is famed for its stunning natural beauty. Accompanied by university faculty and focusing on travel photography you will improve your photography skills and gain practical experience.

South Africa is famed for its wine. Hosted by the university's Viticulture and Oenology department, the South African wine and winemaking program gives students a unique insight into the history and industry of winemaking in the region and environmental initiatives in oenology. The program includes technical winetasting workshops and visits to vineyards.

### EXPLORE

As well as stays in Stellenbosch both programs include visits to Cape Town, the iconic Table Mountain and Robben Island, exposing students to a variety of landscapes – urban, coastal and mountain – and immersing you in the history and culture of South Africa.

### ALL-INCLUSIVE PROGRAM FEE

\$4,595

### OPTIONAL AIFS FLIGHT PACKAGE

*See page 98 in the Application and Program Details chapter for details and fees.*

### ELIGIBILITY

- » Open to college sophomores, juniors and seniors
- » Minimum 2.7 GPA
- » Courses taught in English
- » See individual programs for details

### DEADLINES

Application/Deposit: October 1

Scholarships: October 1

Final Payment: November 15

## ITINERARY (JANUARY 3-20, 2021)

### All Students

#### Sunday, January 3

Optional overnight flight from U.S. to Cape Town \*

#### Monday, January 4

Arrive in Cape Town. Transfer to accommodation in Stellenbosch\*

#### Tuesday, January 5

Full day orientation program including academic meeting, campus tour and welcome meal

#### Wednesday, January 6

Classes on campus begin with academic field trips in the Stellenbosch area

#### Saturday, January 9

Full-day excursion to Cape Town to include a sightseeing tour, a visit to Robben Island for a tour of the prison museum and Table Mountain by cable car

#### Sunday, January 10

Full-day guided excursion to Cape Point followed by a visit to a winery

#### Wednesday, January 13

The individual academic programs for photography and wine making continue on the following program itineraries.

### Photography Program Students

#### Wednesday, January 13

Depart Stellenbosch to travel along the Garden Route

#### Thursday, January 14

Visit an ostrich farm then travel onwards to the famed limestone Cango Caves

#### Friday, January 15

Visit Addo Elephant National Park. End the day at Jeffrey's Bay

#### Saturday, January 16

Travel to Tsitsikamma National Park and to Knysna, a popular vacation town

#### Sunday, January 17

Travel to Wilderness National Park and end the day in Cape Agulhas

#### Monday, January 18

Return to Stellenbosch and visit the Kogelberg Biosphere

#### Tuesday, January 19

Exhibition of student work takes place

#### Wednesday, January 20

Program Ends. Optional return flight from Cape Town to the U.S.\*

### South African Wine and Winemaking Program Students

#### Wednesday, January 13 to Tuesday, January 19

Classes on campus continue with academic field trips in the Stellenbosch area including lectures, technical wine tastings, visits to vineyards and wine farms, cellar tours and a gin and distillation workshop as well as visits focusing on water waste management, biodiversity and land reclamation.

#### Saturday, January 16 to Sunday, January 17

Free weekend for sightseeing

#### Wednesday, January 20

Program Ends. Optional return flight from Cape Town to the U.S.\*

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*\*Included for students on the AIFS Flight Package only.*

## INCLUDED IN YOUR PROGRAM FEE

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### TUITION

3 semester credits



### HOUSING

single room in a shared student residence on campus or student lodges



### MEALS

Self-catering in Stellenbosch (both programs). Photography students receive breakfast and dinner while traveling



### CULTURAL & SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

Guided sightseeing tour, visits to sites such as Table Mountain, Robben Island and the Cape of Good Hope



### WELCOME EVENT

To help you get to know your classmates better, familiarize you with the local area and advise you about your stay



### HEALTH & SAFETY

24/7 emergency support and comprehensive insurance



### ON-SITE SUPPORT

To help with any questions or advice you may need throughout the program



### UNIQUE TO STELLENBOSCH

- » A vibrant university town
- » Visit Robben Island and the Cape of Good Hope
- » Great natural beauty, outdoor adventure and cultural diversity

## OPTIONAL COMPONENTS

### AIFS FLIGHT PACKAGE



See page 98 in the Application and Program Details chapter for details and fees.

#### Package includes:

- » Round trip flights U.S.-Cape Town-U.S.
- » Round trip transfers between the airport and campus overseas

*Students not selecting the AIFS Flight Package are responsible for arranging their own flights according to the most up-to-date itinerary.*

Visit [www.aifsabroad.com](http://www.aifsabroad.com) for details.



## HOUSING & MEALS

**INCLUDED**



### Student Residence

Students on both programs will live in a shared student residence on Stellenbosch University campus. Meals are not provided. The residence includes:

- » Single room
- » Access to kitchen facilities to prepare food

### Student Lodges

While travelling the Photography Program students will stay in student lodges. The lodges includes:

- » Multi-bedded dorm rooms
- » Breakfast and dinner

## YOUR AIFS TEAM

### YOUR ON-SITE STAFF

When in South Africa, AIFS students will be supported by dedicated international staff when on campus and accompanied by Stellenbosch University faculty on the academic field trips.

## LEARNING BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

### CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

Learning does not begin or end in the classroom. Visits and field trips are a key part of your academic study while social and cultural activities will deepen your understanding of South Africa, its people and places. Both AIFS programs include:

- » A guided sightseeing tour of Cape Town
- » A visit to Robben Island and the prison museum
- » A day trip to the Cape of Good Hope
- » Table Mountain by cable car
- » **Photography students** will also enjoy a winery tour with tasting, visit Addo Elephant Park, take a 3-hour game drive to locate and photograph elephants, visit the surfer's paradise of Jeffrey's Bay and the dramatic coastal and forest landscapes of Tsitsikamma National Park during their 6-night tour of the Garden Route
- » **Winemaking students** will enjoy visits to a variety of wineries, vineyards and wine farms in and around Stellenbosch and the beautiful town of Franschoek

# STELLENBOSCH UNIVERSITY

Stellenbosch University (SU) is home to a vibrant academic community of 29,000 students including 4,000 foreign students from 100 countries. Located amongst the scenic Boland Mountains in the winelands of the Western Cape this elegant historical town has a unique campus atmosphere. On the main campus, paved walkways wind between campus buildings - some dating from previous centuries; others just a few years old. This together with the scenic beauty of the area, state-of-the-art, environmentally friendly facilities and technology, as well as visionary thinking about the creation of a sustainable 21st-century institution, makes for the unique character of Stellenbosch University.



Internationalization remains at the heart of SU's mission and AIFS is delighted to have celebrated more than 20 years of partnership with the university during which nearly 2000 American students have studied on semesters, summer and J-Term programs in Stellenbosch through AIFS.

## ACADEMIC OVERVIEW

Earn 3 credits studying at Stellenbosch University taking a course in Travel Photography or South African Wine and Winemaking.

**Admissions requirements** Open to college sophomores, juniors and seniors with a minimum 2.7 GPA, who are currently enrolled in an undergraduate degree program.

Applicants for the South African Wine and Winemaking Program are required to have already studied a relevant subject such as agriculture, winemaking, soil science etc.

**Attendance** is required to receive full credit. Students exceeding the permitted numbers of unexcused absences may lose all or partial credit.

**Credit hours** are in parentheses. Credits are equal to American credits based on one credit for a minimum of 15 classroom hours plus home study. Courses will meet for 45 hours in a combination of classroom-based teaching and academic field trips.

**Grades** No AIFS participant is permitted to take a course without receiving a grade. Pass/Fail grade options are not available.

**Transcripts** are issued by Stellenbosch University. One official copy will be sent to the student's home institution on completion of the program.

## COURSES

Choose one course for 3 credits.

### Photography TBA (3) Travel Photography

The aim of the course is to teach students about photography with a focus on travel photography theory. Students will gain knowledge of their own cameras, improve their photography skills and gain practical experience in the areas of landscape and portrait photography as well as wildlife photography when traveling along the Garden Route. At the end of each day students will print the best two or three of their photographs receiving feedback from a professional photographer and the course will end with an exhibition of their work.

### Viticulture and Oenology TBA (3) South African Wine and Winemaking

The aim of this course is to immerse students in the South African wine culture, giving them an overview of the wine industry and the challenges of the industry being in South Africa. A series of lectures by academic staff will cover applied viticulture and oenological aspects. There will be a series of technical tastings by highly respected world class winemakers which will give students an excellent understanding of the diversity of wines and wine styles made in South Africa. The main goal is to equip students with knowledge on the status of the industry and the excellent wines South Africa has so that they can return home as ambassadors for the SA grape and wine industry and excite people in their own country.





# BARCELONA, SPAIN

UNIVERSITAT AUTÒNOMA DE BARCELONA

Spanish art and cultural heritage | international business

## LIVE

Start the New Year in Barcelona, one of Europe's most exciting cities. Barcelona's origins can be traced back to the 1st century BC and the Roman colony of Barcino. Two thousand years of history have left their mark on the city's architectural, artistic and cultural heritage. Barcelona has been a center for innovation in art, architecture and style since the 19th century, as the surreal and colorful buildings of architect Antoni Gaudí testify. This spirit of creativity together with its Mediterranean climate and cosmopolitan character makes Barcelona an exciting place to study and live.

## LEARN

Earn 3 credits studying Spanish art and culture from prehistoric times to the present day or learning about the challenges facing businesses today as they compete in a global environment. Both courses are taught in English.

## EXPLORE

Take in the sites around Barcelona on walking tours and visits to local museums and monuments including one of Barcelona's most iconic sights, Gaudí's Sagrada Família. Explore more of Spain on a full-day excursion to Montserrat, with its ancient Benedictine monastery and the thriving beach resort of Sitges.

## ALL-INCLUSIVE PROGRAM FEE

\$3,495

## OPTIONAL AIFS FLIGHT PACKAGE

*See page 98 in the Application and Program Details chapter for details and fees.*

## ELIGIBILITY

- » Open to high school graduates and college freshmen, sophomores, juniors and seniors
- » Minimum 2.0 GPA
- » No previous Spanish language study required
- » All courses taught in English

## DEADLINES

Application/Deposit: October 1

Scholarships: October 1

Final Payment: November 15



## ITINERARY

### JANUARY 9-23, 2021

#### Saturday, January 9

Optional overnight flight from U.S. to Barcelona\*

#### Sunday, January 10

Arrive in Barcelona. Transfer to accommodation\*

#### Monday, January 11

UAB and AIFS orientation and classes begin

#### Wednesday, January 13

Park Güell

#### Friday, January 15

Guided city tour and visit to the Sagrada Família

#### Saturday, January 16

Day trip to Montserrat and Sitges

#### Wednesday, January 20

Gothic quarter and tapas tour

#### Thursday, January 21

Farewell dinner and Flamenco show

#### Friday, January 22

Classes end

#### Saturday, January 23

Optional return flight to U.S.\*

*Itineraries are tentative and subject to change.*

*Please visit [www.aifsbroad.com](http://www.aifsbroad.com) for the most up-to-date version.*

*\*Included for students on the AIFS Flight Package only.*



## INCLUDED IN YOUR PROGRAM FEE

The AIFS all-inclusive program fee includes all the great services below in addition to all of the pre-departure, on-site and upon return services available on each AIFS program. For details on these services see page 12 in the Get Started chapter.



### TUITION

3 semester credits



### HOUSING

Spanish homestay or, for a supplement, in a shared apartment



### MEALS

Breakfast and dinner in the homestay Monday through Friday. Apartment students will receive a meal allowance



### EXCURSION

Montserrat and Sitges (day trip)



### CULTURAL & SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

City tour, tapas evening, Flamenco show and guided tours of the Gothic quarter, Park Güell and La Sagrada Família



### WELCOME EVENT

To help you get to know your classmates better, familiarize you with the local area and advise you about your stay



### HEALTH & SAFETY

24/7 emergency support and comprehensive insurance



### ON-SITE SUPPORT

To help with any questions or advice you may need throughout the program



### UNIQUE TO BARCELONA

- » Quirky and iconic Modernist architecture by Gaudí
- » Food markets such as La Boquería
- » Vibrant seafront area

## OPTIONAL COMPONENTS

### AIFS FLIGHT PACKAGE



See page 98 in the Application and Program Details chapter for details and fees.

#### Package includes:

- » Round trip flights U.S.-Barcelona-U.S.
- » Round trip transfers between the airport and campus overseas

*Students not selecting the AIFS Flight Package are responsible for arranging their own flights according to the most up-to-date itinerary.*

Visit [www.aifsbroad.com](http://www.aifsbroad.com) for details.

## HOUSING & MEALS

### INCLUDED



#### Spanish Homestay

Living with a Spanish host is the best way to immerse yourself in the language and culture of Spain. Many students choosing this option find that it is the most rewarding part of their time abroad. The homestay will include:

- » Breakfast and dinner Monday through Friday
- » Shared room and bathroom with another AIFS student
- » Once a week laundry service
- » Students receive their own key

### OPTIONAL

#### Student Apartment (\$350 supplement)

Apartment living is ideal for students who like their independence, want to cook for themselves and to experience local city life.

- » Shared double room
- » Communal kitchen, living area and bathroom(s)
- » Fully furnished including linens
- » Students will receive their own key
- » A meal allowance to supplement the cost of meals and groceries

*Internet access is available in all accommodations.*

## MEET YOUR AIFS TEAM

### YOUR RESIDENT DIRECTOR



**Inma Arenas**

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¡Hola! I have been working with AIFS since 1998 beginning in my home town of Granada. I have been Resident Director of the Barcelona program since it began in summer 2003. I studied abroad in England and loved getting to know people

from other cultures; it certainly made me more confident and independent. In my spare time I love planning trips to new cities, when I am not designing my own custom jewelry!

My favorite aspect of being Resident Director is spending time with students and seeing how much they grow after their study abroad experience in Spain. The AIFS Barcelona team is always eager to offer our guidance and support, as well as share ideas on how to make the most out of your stay. Barcelona is a beautiful and fascinating city; perfect for a study abroad program, not just because of its proximity to the beach!

I look forward to helping you to live as a local and to begin one of the most rewarding experiences of your life!

## LEARNING BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

### CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

Learning does not begin or end in the classroom. To help you get a true taste of Spanish culture, the AIFS team in Barcelona arranges a variety of cultural and social activities.

Activities will include:

- » Welcome dinner
- » Guided tour of Barcelona
- » "Tapas" tour
- » Visit to La Sagrada Família
- » Visit to Park Güell
- » Visit to the Gothic quarter and Cathedral
- » Flamenco show and farewell dinner

### INCLUDED EXCURSION

#### MONTSERRAT AND SITGES (DAY TRIP)

Visit the mountain town of Montserrat and coastal Sitges during a tour that includes:

- » Round-trip transportation
- » Locally guided tours
- » Entrance to the Montserrat Monastery and 12th-century carving of the Black Virgin
- » Free time in Sitges to explore or relax on the beach



## UNIVERSITAT AUTÒNOMA DE BARCELONA

The Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona (UAB) was founded in 1968. It is a relatively young university; however, in its short history it has moved forward at a rapid pace and now ranks among the top 5 universities in Spain and the top 15 in the world among young universities. (Times Higher Education Young University Rankings 2018). AIFS students will attend classes at the beautiful historical pavilions of the Sant Pau campus. The Sant Pau campus is located in the historic UAB-Casa Convalescència building, which was part of the "Hospital de la Santa Creu i Sant Pau," in the central area of the city known as "L'Eixample."

### ACADEMIC OVERVIEW

Earn 3 credits studying Spanish Art and Cultural Heritage or International Business.

**Admissions requirements** Open to high school graduates, college freshmen, sophomores, juniors and seniors with a minimum 2.0 GPA.

**Attendance** is required to receive full credit. Students exceeding the permitted numbers of unexcused absences may lose all or partial credit.

**Credit hours** are in parentheses. Credits are equal to American credits based on one credit for a minimum of 15 classroom hours plus home study. Classes are taught Monday through Friday.

**Grades** No AIFS participant is permitted to take a course without receiving a grade. Pass/Fail grade options are not available.

**Transcripts** are issued by the Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona. One official copy will be sent to the student's home institution on completion of the program.

Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona awards ECTS (European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System) credits. The number of class hours and ECTS credits will be shown on the transcript to allow each student's home institution the ultimate decision in the awarding of U.S. credit. Recommended U.S. semester credits shown next to each course description are based on 15 classroom hours per semester credit and are not a conversion of ECTS credits. Students should consult with their university advisors in the U.S. prior to participating in the program to have course credit pre-approved and ensure that they are taking the appropriate amount of credits.

### COURSES

Choose one of the courses below. Classes are taught Monday through Friday for a total of 45 hours.

#### **Art 327 (3)** **Spanish Art and Cultural Heritage**

This course gives an overview of the art history of Spain from prehistoric times to the present, dealing in more detail with the Baroque period, Modernism and 20th century art. Visits to museums keep the class as close to real artistic practice as possible. Attendance and oral participation are important: students are expected to contribute to class development with questions and commentaries, reading assignments and by visiting exhibitions in preparation. Interest in art and architecture is a prerequisite.

#### **Business 307 (3)** **International Business**

This course provides an overview of the challenges facing businesses as they compete on the global playing field. Focus is on the economic foundations of international business and the main forces that shape business across countries: political, economic, cultural and legal. The last part of the course will analyze the internal aspects of a company oriented towards international business.



# GRANADA, SPAIN WITH MOROCCO, NORTH AFRICA

UNIVERSITY OF GRANADA

## Spanish and Islamic Civilization and Culture

### LIVE

Granada was the last Moorish kingdom to fall in the reconquest of 1492 and the legacy of Spain's 800 years under Islamic rule permeates every corner of the city: in the streets surrounding the former silk bazaar, the *teterías* (tea houses), in the historic Albayzín (the Arabic quarter) and the Moorish bathhouses. The showstopper is the Alhambra Palace - one of the best examples of Islamic architecture and craftsmanship in the world. Nestled at the foot of the Sierra Nevada, Granada is both serene in its setting and exhilarating in its spirit, monuments and culture.

### LEARN

Earn 3 credits studying the impact of Al-Andalus (Muslim Spain) on Spanish history, tradition and language through a series of classes and visits. You will learn about the most important events of the period and visit the most significant monuments and locations, exploring the concept of Islam while drawing these connections together to understand how the Moors influenced culture, literature, art and architecture. A taster Arabic lesson will give you some essential communication skills before you visit Morocco.

### EXPLORE

Highlights include a 3-day excursion to Morocco, North Africa to learn about the ancestry of the Moors who ruled in Spain. Accompanied by your University of Granada professor and AIFS staff you will visit the medina and souk of Tangier, the Royal Palace and food markets in Tetouan and the mountain town of Chaouen known for its distinctive blue buildings.

### ALL-INCLUSIVE PROGRAM FEE

\$3,395

### OPTIONAL AIFS FLIGHT PACKAGE

See page 98 in the *Application and Program Details* chapter for details and fees.

### ELIGIBILITY

- » Open to high school graduates and college freshmen, sophomores, juniors and seniors
- » Minimum 2.0 GPA
- » Course taught in English

### DEADLINES

Application/Deposit: October 1

Scholarships: October 1

Final Payment: November 15

## ITINERARY

### JANUARY 3-21, 2021

#### Sunday, January 3

Optional overnight flight from U.S. to Málaga\*

#### Monday, January 4

Arrive in Málaga. Transfer to accommodation\*

#### Tuesday, January 5

AIFS Orientation

#### Wednesday, January 6

Día de Los Reyes (National Holiday)

#### Thursday, January 7

Class begins

#### Friday, January 8

Guided visit to the Alhambra Palace and Generalife Gardens

#### Friday, January 15 to Sunday, January 17

3-day excursion to Morocco, North Africa

#### Wednesday, January 20

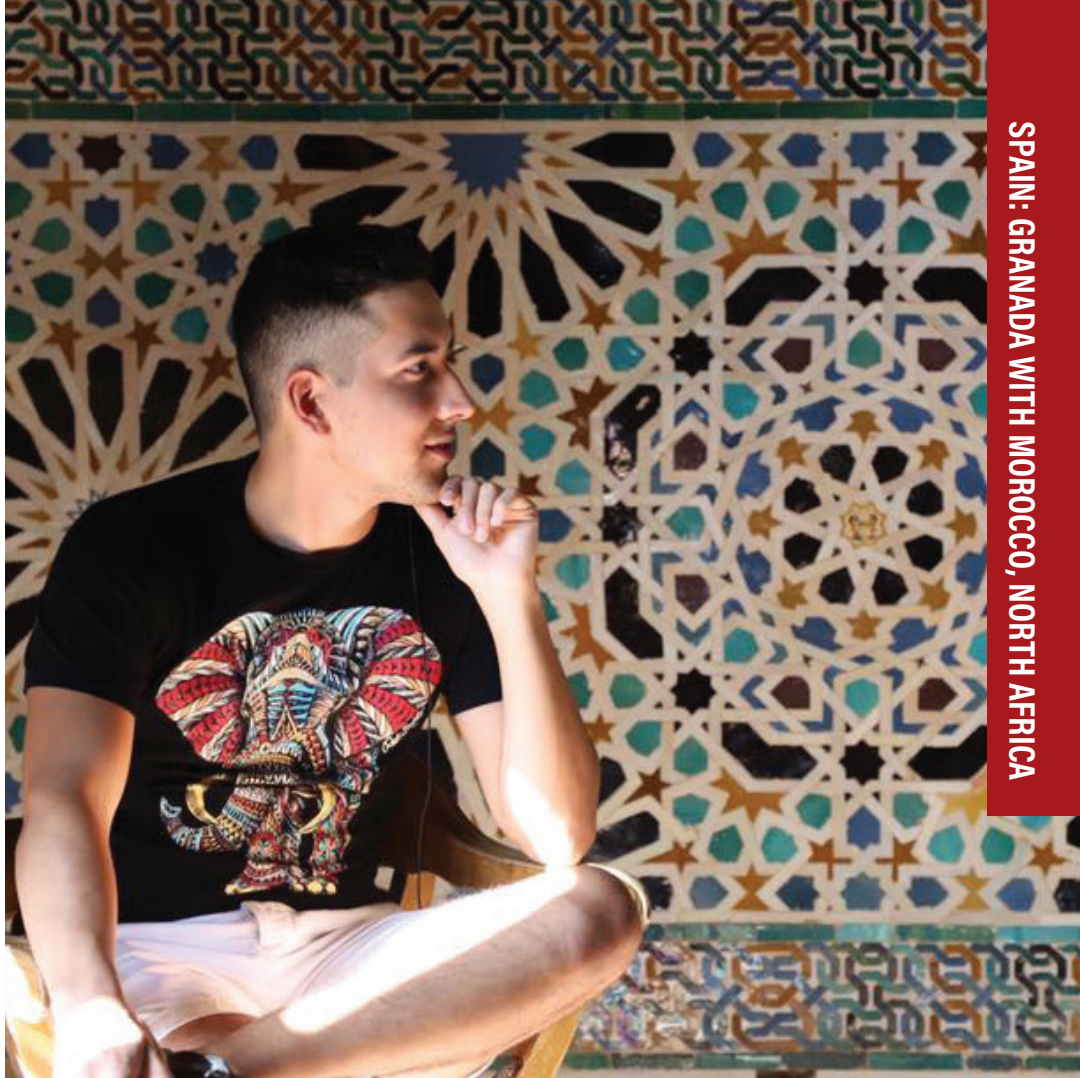
Class ends

#### Thursday, January 21

Optional return flight from Málaga to U.S.\*

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*\*Included for students on the AIFS Flight Package only.*



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### TUITION

3 semester credits



### HOUSING

Stay in a Spanish homestay



### MEALS

3 meals included per day in the homestay



### EXCURSIONS

Morocco (3 days)



### CULTURAL & SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

City tour, guided tour of the Alhambra, Generalife Gardens and the Albayzín



### WELCOME EVENT

To help you get to know your classmates better, familiarize yourself with the local area and advise you about living abroad



### HEALTH & SAFETY

24/7 emergency support and comprehensive insurance



### ON-SITE SUPPORT

To help with any questions or advice you may need throughout the program



### UNIQUE TO GRANADA

- » Enjoy the custom of free tapas
- » A unique location between the Mediterranean Sea and the Sierra Nevada
- » Inspiring Alhambra Palace and Generalife Gardens, a showstopping example of Moorish culture

## OPTIONAL COMPONENTS

### AIFS FLIGHT PACKAGE

See page 98 in the Application and Program Details chapter for details and fees.

#### Package includes:

- » Round trip flights U.S.-Málaga-U.S.
- » Round trip transfers between the airport and campus overseas

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## HOUSING & MEALS

### INCLUDED



#### Spanish Homestay

A rewarding way to experience the culture and how Spaniards live first hand. Homes are carefully selected by the Resident Director. The homestay will include:

- » 3 meals a day
- » Students will receive their own house key
- » Shared room with another AIFS student
- » Once a week laundry service
- » Internet access

## MEET YOUR AIFS TEAM

### YOUR RESIDENT DIRECTOR



#### Noelia Marin Muñoz

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¡Hola! I have been working with visiting students in Granada since 2007. I studied at the university myself so am very familiar with student life here in Granada. I also spent a year studying abroad in England which gave me an understanding of how to adjust to living in a different

culture. My job is to help facilitate your immersion into the Spanish language and culture; ensuring your study abroad is a fun and safe learning experience. I love watching how students change during their time here. The AIFS office is located in "Puerta Real", the very center of Granada. It is a 5-minute walk from the university building. Drop by and tell me about something wonderful you have discovered in my favorite city!

## LEARNING BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

### CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

Learning does not begin or end in the classroom. To help you get a true understanding of Spanish culture and its Arabic roots, the AIFS team in Granada arranges a variety of cultural and social activities. Activities will include:

- » Guided tour of the Alhambra and Generalife
- » "Tapas" welcome event
- » Tour of the Albayzín (Old Arabic Quarter)
- » Granada of 3 cultures tour
- » Sacramonte

### INCLUDED EXCURSION

#### TANGIER AND TETOUAN, MOROCCO (3 DAYS)

As part of your academic program you will visit Morocco accompanied by AIFS staff and a University of Granada professor.

- » Accommodations in Tangier and Tetouan, Morocco
- » Round trip bus transportation to Tarifa
- » Round trip ferry from Tarifa to Tangier
- » Breakfasts, most lunches and dinners
- » Tours of the medina and souk of Tangier, Tetouan and the Plaza Moulay El Mehdi, Plaza Hassan I, Royal Palace, the Mellah, and medinas, Asilah, Chefchaouen, and the Caves of Hercules
- » Services of an AIFS staff member, university professor and local tour guide
- » A show with traditional Moroccan dance
- » Non-U.S. citizens may need to arrange a visa to visit Morocco before traveling to Spain – students are responsible for checking visa requirements

# UNIVERSITY OF GRANADA

Founded by Emperor Charles V in 1531, the University of Granada is one of the most prestigious universities in Spain with over 70,000 students.

Students attend class at the University of Granada's Centro de Lenguas Modernas. The university has dedicated this center to the teaching of Spanish Language and Culture to foreign students, and to their integration into Spanish society. The Centro has two historic buildings with beautiful courtyards which are totally renovated and equipped with modern classrooms, audio-visual equipment, e-mail facilities and a library. Small groups are the norm and all professors are native Spaniards.

## ACADEMIC OVERVIEW

Earn 3 credits studying Spanish and Islamic Culture and Civilization.

**Admissions requirements** Open to high school graduates, college freshmen, sophomores, juniors and seniors with a minimum 2.0 GPA.

**Attendance** is required to receive full credit. Students exceeding the permitted numbers of unexcused absences may lose all or partial credit.

**Credit hours** are in parentheses. 3 semester credits are recommended for this program consisting of formal classroom classwork and field trips.

**Grades** No AIFS participant is permitted to take a course without receiving a grade. Pass/Fail grade options are not available.

**Transcripts** are issued by the University of Granada. One official copy will be sent to the student's home institution on completion of the program.

Recommended U.S. semester credits shown next to the course description is based on 15 classroom hours per semester credit. Students should consult with their university advisors in the U.S. prior to participating in the program to have course credit pre-approved and ensure that they are taking the appropriate amount of credits.

## COURSE

### History/Religion/Sociology 310 (3)

#### Spanish and Islamic Civilization and Culture

Discusses the importance and the effect of Islamic rule on Spain's history, tradition, language, and culture. Topics include: the concept of Islam, the message of the Koran, Andalucía under Islamic rule, North African dynasties in Andalucía, the Nazari dynasty of Granada, cultural, literary, and artistic aspects of Islam, and Islamic architecture and symbols as exemplified by the Alhambra. Spanish civilization and contemporary society are examined through themes such as the relationships between professionals, labor and cultural sectors, the aging of the population, gypsies, bullfighting, holidays, gastronomy and flamenco. Audio-visuals, newspapers, magazines and texts are used. Includes an 'essential' Arabic class and several field trips in Granada to sites of historical and cultural relevance as well as on-site teaching from the University of Granada professor on the field trip to Morocco.





**VNiVERSiDAD  
D SALAMANCA**

CAMPUS DE EXCELENCIA INTERNACIONAL

## SALAMANCA, SPAIN (INCLUDING 2 DAYS IN SPAIN'S CAPITAL CITY MADRID)

UNIVERSITY OF SALAMANCA

### Spanish language

#### LIVE

Start the New Year in Salamanca among the golden medieval buildings, Renaissance palaces and soaring cathedrals. Without doubt Salamanca is Castilla's most beautiful and vibrant city, combining elegant architecture, traditional Spanish culture and a thriving international student population. Popularly called the "golden city" due to the golden glow that its sandstone buildings give in the setting sun, the entire city is a UNESCO World Heritage Site. The Plaza Mayor—traditionally referred to as the Salmantinos' living room—is the jewel in the crown, the heart of the city and considered to be one of the most beautiful squares in Europe. Join the thriving, multicultural community of students who make Salamanca their home!

#### LEARN

Study at the world-renowned University of Salamanca, the third oldest university in Europe and known as the "Oxford of the Spanish-speaking world" due to its reputation for academic excellence. It is recognized as the best university in Spain for the teaching of Spanish as a second language. Earn 3 credits studying Spanish language at one of 4 levels.

#### EXPLORE

Enjoy activities in and around Salamanca including a guided tour of the city cathedrals, and the historic university. Visit London, England, on an optional 2-night stopover on your way to Spain, included for students selecting the AIFS Flight Package. Finish the program with a 2-day excursion to the capital Madrid, a city famed equally for its nightlife and artistic heritage and where Spain's resurrection began after the death of Franco in 1975. See Picasso's epic Civil War painting 'Guernica' in the Museo Reina Sofía during your free time and visit one of the world's greatest art galleries, the Prado Museum, on a professionally guided tour, included in the program fee.

#### ALL-INCLUSIVE PROGRAM FEE

\$3,295

#### OPTIONAL AIFS FLIGHT PACKAGE

*See page 98 in the Application and Program Details chapter for details and fees*

#### ELIGIBILITY

- » Open to high school graduates, college freshmen, sophomores, juniors and seniors
- » Minimum 2.0 GPA
- » No previous Spanish language study required

#### DEADLINES

Application/Deposit: October 1

Scholarships: October 1

Final Payment: November 15



## ITINERARY

### JANUARY 6-25, 2021

#### Wednesday, January 6

Optional overnight flight from U.S. to London\*

#### Thursday, January 7

Arrive London. Transfer to hotel\*

#### Friday, January 8

Sightseeing in London\*

#### Saturday, January 9

Optional flight from London to Madrid.\* Transfer to Salamanca and homestays\*

#### Sunday, January 10

Orientation

#### Monday, January 11

Placement test

#### Tuesday, January 12

Classes begin

#### Saturday, January 16

Organized cultural activities

#### Friday, January 22

Classes end

#### Saturday, January 23 to Sunday, January 24

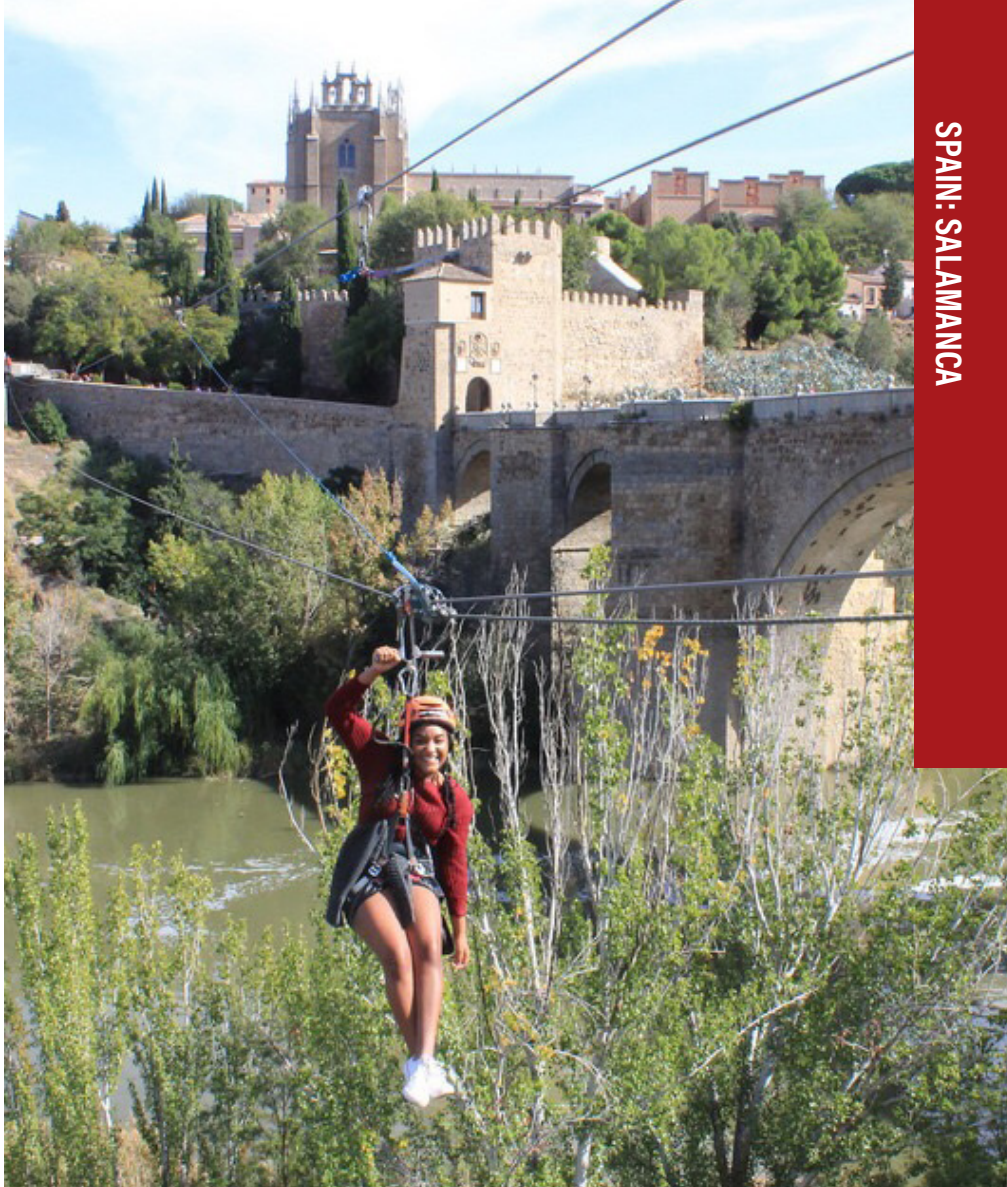
2-day excursion to Madrid

#### Monday, January 25

Optional return flight from Madrid to U.S.\*

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## INCLUDED IN YOUR PROGRAM FEE

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### TUITION

3 semester credits



### HOUSING

in a Spanish homestay



### MEALS

3 meals a day in the homestay



### CULTURAL & SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

Tapas tour, museum visits, cooking class, guided tours and a 2-day excursion to Spain's capital Madrid



### WELCOME EVENTS

To help you get to know your classmates better, familiarize yourself with the local area and living in Salamanca



### HEALTH & SAFETY

24/7 emergency support and comprehensive insurance



### ON-SITE SUPPORT

To help with any questions or advice you may need throughout the program



### UNIQUE TO SALAMANCA

- » The Plaza Mayor is widely considered the most beautiful square in Spain
- » Historic center of Salamanca is a UNESCO World Heritage site
- » The University of Salamanca is known as the "Oxford" of the Hispanic world

## OPTIONAL COMPONENTS

### AIFS FLIGHT PACKAGE



See page 98 in the Application and Program Details chapter for details and fees.

#### Package includes:

- » Round trip flights U.S. to London, London to Madrid, Madrid to U.S.
- » Airport and hotel transfers to and from campus
- » 2-night London stopover

*Students not selecting the AIFS Flight Package are responsible for arranging their own flights according to the most up-to-date itinerary.*

Visit [www.aifsabroad.com](http://www.aifsabroad.com) for details.



## LEARNING BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

### CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

Learning does not begin or end in the classroom. To help you get a true taste of Spanish culture, the AIFS team in Salamanca arranges a variety of cultural and social activities. Typical activities may include:

- » Welcome dinner
- » Guided tour of Salamanca including the university and cathedrals
- » "Tapas" tour
- » Spanish cooking class
- » Flamenco class
- » Visit to the Bullfighting Museum
- » Chocolate con churros in the Plaza Mayor
- » Visit to the Jeronimus Cathedral tower for a bird's eye view of the city
- » Casa Lis Art Nouveau and Art Deco Museum visit
- » Farewell dinner

### INCLUDED EXCURSION

#### MADRID (2 DAYS)

After studying in Salamanca, depart for a 2-day visit to the capital Madrid. Visit includes:

- » Accommodations
- » Daily breakfast
- » Transportation
- » Guided tour of the city, including the famous Plaza Mayor

### OPTIONAL EXCURSION

#### LONDON, ENGLAND (2 NIGHTS)

*Included only for students on the AIFS Flight Package*

Check Buckingham Palace off your bucket list with a trip to London en-route to campus.

Visit includes:

- » Accommodations
- » Breakfasts
- » Guided sightseeing tour past major sights such as Buckingham Palace, Westminster Abbey, Houses of Parliament and Tower of London
- » Free time to explore on your own

## HOUSING & MEALS

### INCLUDED

#### Spanish Homestay



Living with a Spanish host is one of the best ways to learn Spanish and experience the culture first hand. Many former AIFS students say that the Spanish homestay experience was the most rewarding part of their time abroad. The homestay will include:

- » Carefully selected homes
- » Double room with another AIFS student
- » Single rooms are available for a supplement of \$200
- » Once a week laundry service
- » 3 meals a day
- » Internet access

## MEET YOUR AIFS TEAM

### YOUR RESIDENT DIRECTOR



#### Gaye Michaels

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¡Hola! I have coordinated study abroad programs at the University of Salamanca since 1987 and have been working as AIFS Resident Director since 1993. I received my BA from SUNY Cortland in 1983 and spent my junior and senior years

of undergraduate study at the University of Salamanca, so I am very familiar with where you will be studying and living.

I love getting to know my students and will enjoy assisting you in your adjustment not only to your new environment but to your new self! I want to help you expand your horizons—rarely will you have an opportunity like this to spend time living in a native's home, watching local television and sharing home-cooked meals with them while chatting about their lives.

As Resident Director, I am your counselor, administrator and friend. I provide guidance and support during this program full of excitement, adventure and education. You will find me in the AIFS office, in the heart of Salamanca, next to the Plaza Mayor and a 5-minute walk from the university.

# UNIVERSITY OF SALAMANCA

Founded in 1218, the University of Salamanca is the oldest in Spain. Christopher Columbus consulted the university's faculty before embarking on his famous voyage.

The University of Salamanca is Spain's leading national institution in the teaching of Spanish as a second language and one of the most prestigious universities in Spain. Salamanca is in the region of Spain where the purest Castilian Spanish is spoken.

## ACADEMIC OVERVIEW

Earn 3 credits studying Spanish language and culture. Four levels of Spanish are available to students: Elementary, Intermediate, Advanced and Superior. This is a language immersion program and all instruction (including at the Elementary level) will be given in Spanish. Course level is determined by a placement exam given on arrival in Salamanca.

**Admissions requirements** Open to high school graduates, college freshmen, sophomores, juniors and seniors with a minimum 2.0 GPA.

**Attendance** is required to receive full credit. Students exceeding the permitted numbers of unexcused absences may lose all or partial credit.

**Credit hours** are in parentheses. Credits are equal to American credits based on one credit for a minimum of 15 classroom hours plus home study. Classes are taught Monday through Friday.

**Grades** No AIFS participant is permitted to take a course without receiving a grade. Pass/Fail grade options are not available.

**Transcripts** are issued by the University of Salamanca. One official copy will be sent to the student's home institution on completion of the program.

## COURSES

Taught by the University of Salamanca Cursos Internacionales department, classes at all levels are conducted in Spanish by university professors. AIFS participants attend classes with international students in a diverse, multicultural environment. Four main language levels (Elementary to Superior) are further subdivided to accommodate varying skills. A placement exam after arrival determines the appropriate level for you. Students are advised to obtain approval for several different levels of Spanish from their academic advisor in the U.S. prior to arrival in Salamanca, in order to ensure that they receive credit for the course that they test into. Classes meet for a total of 50 hours (3 credits) and for students testing into the Intermediate level and above include: 20 hours of Spanish grammar, 10 hours of Spanish conversation and composition, 10 hours of Spanish culture and 10 hours of Spanish art. Classes for Elementary level students include: 20 hours of Spanish grammar, 10 hours of Spanish conversation and composition, 10 hours of vocabulary development and 10 hours of phonetics.

### Spanish 102 (3) Intensive Elementary Spanish

For students with no previous Spanish instruction and up to a year of high school or a semester of college Spanish. Focus is on grammar, sentence structure, pronunciation and vocabulary development. Present, past and future tenses are studied in the indicative as well as subjunctive, along with regular and irregular verbs, interrogative and personal pronouns and possessive adjectives. Social and cultural topics covered include manners, introductions, customs, gastronomy, fiestas and traditions.

### Spanish 202 (3) Intensive Intermediate Spanish

Solid knowledge of basic Spanish grammar structures and tenses and a fundamental vocabulary are necessary to place in this level. Emphasis is on fluid conversation,

comprehension and vocabulary. Tenses, habitual actions in the past and abstract descriptions are explained. Grammar study is on the imperative, conditional and relative sentences, indirect speech, passive voice, intonation, prefixes, suffixes and affixes. Cultural topics include the influence of mass media on Spanish language, superstitions, beliefs, literature, humor and cinema.

### Spanish 302 (3) Intensive Advanced Spanish

For students with a strong background in Spanish, this course deepens comprehension and works at developing a more sophisticated speaking style. Conversational skills are emphasized: conversations, arguments, debate, opinions, concession and opposition. Grammar focus is on verb forms in the past, nominal subordinate sentences, emphatic and metaphoric comparisons and meaning and use of the infinitive, gerund and participle. Cultural aspects include appropriate behavior and manners, stereotypes of regions of Spain and Hispanic countries, "la tertulia" (conversational gatherings), gestures, popular stories and legends.

### Spanish 402 (3) Intensive Superior Spanish

Students in this level are essentially bilingual and want to perfect or understand grammatical complexities. Pragmatic issues are expressing and understanding humor, irony, sarcasm, anger, wonder and skepticism, persuading and convincing, expressing cause, consequence and purpose as well as agreement and disagreement. Grammar focuses on the pronoun "se", idioms, colloquial Spanish, changes in sentence structures, direct object complements, paraphrases and Latin American Spanish. Cultural themes are the influence of other cultures on Spain, types of journalism, publicity in the media, dialects, Hispanic American writers, Spain's political system and social attitudes.





# EUROPEAN ART AND ARCHITECTURE

STUDY AND TRAVEL IN LONDON, PARIS, LAUSANNE, VENICE, FLORENCE AND ROME

## art history

### LIVE

It is said that "all roads lead to Rome" and this program gives you the opportunity to travel there via incredible European capitals en route. Begin the new year traveling through 6 beautiful European cities examining their art and architecture first hand. You will study the major contributions of Western Europe to world art and architecture, placing the artistic developments in the wider cultural, social and intellectual context of the periods and places in which they took place.

### LEARN

Earn 3 semester credits combining classroom work with the opportunity to see a wealth of European art and architecture for yourself. The course includes numerous museum, gallery and site visits to enhance classroom study and really bring the subject alive.

### EXPLORE

You will spend 5 nights in London, 4 nights in Paris, 1 night in Lausanne, 2 nights in Venice, 3 nights in Florence and 4 nights in Rome which includes a visit to the Vatican.

See the master works in these cities with included visits such as: the British Museum and National Gallery, the Louvre, the Accademia, the Uffizi and the Sistine Chapel.

### ALL-INCLUSIVE PROGRAM FEE

\$5,495

### OPTIONAL AIFS FLIGHT PACKAGE

See page 98 in the Application and Program Details chapter for details and fees.

### ELIGIBILITY

- » Open to college freshmen, sophomores, juniors and seniors
- » Minimum 2.5 GPA (lower GPAs will be considered on a case by case basis)

### DEADLINES

Application/Deposit: September 15

Scholarships: October 1

Final Payment: October 15

## ITINERARY

### DECEMBER 31, 2020 – JANUARY 20, 2021

#### LONDON-5 NIGHTS

**Thursday, December 31**

Optional overnight flight from U.S. to London\*

**Friday, January 1**

Arrive in London. Transfer to accommodation.\* Rest of day free

**Saturday, January 2**

Morning orientation followed by a sightseeing tour with a professional guide. See London's famous sights including Piccadilly Circus in the heart of the West End, the Houses of Parliament on the banks of the Thames and Buckingham Palace, plus an inside visit to St Paul's Cathedral

**Sunday, January 3**

Morning class. Afternoon visit to the British Museum

**Monday, January 4**

Morning visit to the Tate Modern. Afternoon visit to the National Gallery

**Tuesday, January 5**

Free day in London

#### PARIS-4 NIGHTS

**Wednesday, January 6**

Travel by Eurostar to Paris and check into accommodation. Evening river cruise

**Thursday, January 7**

Morning class. Afternoon visit to the Musée D'Orsay

**Friday, January 8**

Morning visit to the Louvre. Afternoon visit to the Pompidou Center

**Saturday, January 9**

Morning class. Afternoon free

#### LAUSANNE-1 NIGHT

**Sunday, January 10**

Morning transfer to Lausanne, Switzerland. Rest of the day free

#### VENICE-2 NIGHTS

**Monday, January 11**

Morning visit to the Fondation de l'Hermitage gallery in Lausanne. Afternoon transfer to Venice

**Tuesday, January 12**

Morning class. Afternoon tour, including the Bridge of Sighs, St. Mark's Square and entrance to the Church of Frari

#### FLORENCE-3 NIGHTS

**Wednesday, January 13**

Morning class. Afternoon visit to the Guggenheim Museum, which holds an important collection of modern art, including works by Picasso, Miró, Kandinsky and Pollock. Late afternoon transfer to Florence by train

**Thursday, January 14**

Morning class. Afternoon visit to the Duomo

**Friday, January 15**

Morning class. Afternoon visit to the Uffizi Gallery

#### ROME-4 NIGHTS

**Saturday, January 16**

Morning visit to the Galleria dell'Accademia, home of Michelangelo's David. Afternoon transfer by private bus to Rome. Early evening guided visit to the Colosseum

**Sunday, January 17**

Morning class. Afternoon free

**Monday, January 18**

Morning class. Afternoon visit to the Vatican and its museums, culminating in a visit to the Sistine Chapel with its frescoes by Michelangelo. Visit St. Peter's Basilica, the largest Christian church in the world

**Tuesday, January 19**

Morning final assessment of the academic program. Afternoon free

**Wednesday, January 20**

Optional return flight from Rome to the U.S.\*

*Itineraries are tentative and subject to change. Please visit [www.aifsbroad.com](http://www.aifsbroad.com) for the most up-to-date version.*

*\*Included for students on the AIFS Flight Package only.*

## INCLUDED IN YOUR PROGRAM FEE

The AIFS all-inclusive program fee includes all the great services below in addition to all of the pre-departure, on-site and upon return services available on each AIFS program. For details on these services see page 12 in the Get Started chapter.



#### TUITION

3 semester credits



#### HOUSING

in multi-bedded rooms in student residences or tourist-class hotels



#### MEALS

Breakfast throughout (students need to budget for daily lunch and dinner)



#### CULTURAL & SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

Field trips to museums and galleries, visits to places of architectural, historical and cultural interest



#### HEALTH & SAFETY

24/7 emergency support and comprehensive insurance



#### ON-SITE SUPPORT

To help with any questions or advice you may need throughout the program



#### UNIQUE TO THE EAA PROGRAM

- » Train and bus travel between each location
- » Transportation pass in London and Paris
- » Once in a lifetime opportunity to visit iconic European cities accompanied by a professor specializing in European art and architecture

## OPTIONAL COMPONENTS

### AIFS FLIGHT PACKAGE



See page 98 in the Application and Program Details chapter for details and fees.

#### Package includes:

- » Round trip flights U.S.-London, Rome-U.S.
- » Round trip transfers between the airport and campus overseas

*Students not selecting the AIFS Flight Package are responsible for arranging their own flights according to the most up-to-date itinerary. Visit [www.aifsbroad.com](http://www.aifsbroad.com) for details.*



# LEARNING BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

## CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

The program will introduce you to some of the most iconic and significant sights, galleries and architecture that Europe has to offer giving you an active learning experience that takes you beyond the classroom. Accompanied by a professor specializing in European art and architecture and including tours with professional local guides, this is a unique opportunity to develop your understanding of the history, culture and social contexts in which celebrated and symbolic works of art were created.

Visits include:

### London

- » Houses of Parliament
- » British Museum
- » Tate Modern
- » National Gallery

### Paris

- » Musée D'Orsay
- » The Louvre
- » Pompidou Center

### Lausanne

- » Fondation de l'Hermitage

### Venice

- » Bridge of Sighs
- » St. Mark's Square
- » Guggenheim Museum

### Florence

- » The Duomo
- » Uffizi Gallery
- » Michelangelo's David at the Galleria dell'Accademia

### Rome and The Vatican

- » The Colosseum
- » The Sistine Chapel
- » St. Peter's Basilica



## ACADEMIC OVERVIEW

**Attendance** at all lectures and site visits is mandatory.

**Grades** No AIFS participant is permitted to take a course without receiving a grade. Pass/Fail grade options are not available.

**Transcripts** One official copy will be sent to the student's home institution on completion of the program.

## COURSE

### AVC 4400 (3)

#### European Art and Architecture

The course, through lectures and site visits, concentrates on the major contributions of Western Europe to world art and architecture. In terms of architecture, visits to sites of Roman antiquity frame a discussion of classical beginnings, which then moves onto the important and unique contributions of England, France and Italy (Florence and Rome in particular). In terms of painting, although there is some discussion of Classical and Medieval precedents, the focus is on the Italian Early Renaissance in Florence, Venice and Rome, especially the High Renaissance and Baroque periods. The course also considers Dutch and English Art with emphasis on the master works of the 17th, 18th and 19th centuries. The course analyzes major European movements, including Romanticism, Post-Impressionism, Surrealism, Modernism and Post-Modernism, placing these artistic developments in the wider cultural, social and intellectual context of the periods and places in which they took place. The course includes numerous museum and site visits and all fees are included.

The course introduces Europe's contribution to world culture and civilization and demonstrates the meaning and significance of art and architecture as a prime source of influence on western civilization. Students are responsible for reading and analyzing assigned material after the related topics have been explained. To meet requirements for 3 semester credits, students must submit a blog/journal together with in-course quizzes and a gallery review.

# APPLY EARLY, APPLY ONLINE!

**Early application** Spaces on AIFS programs are limited and are considered on a first-come, first-served basis.

**Apply online** The fastest, easiest way to apply is online! Go to [www.aifsabroad.com](http://www.aifsabroad.com) and click on "Apply Now" for an application.

If you wish to apply using a paper application, you can download a copy of the AIFS January Term application from [www.aifsabroad.com](http://www.aifsabroad.com).

**Questions?** Call Jacqueline Hatch at 800.727.2437 ext. 5192 or email [jhatch@aifs.com](mailto:jhatch@aifs.com).

## APPLYING

### Applicants to AIFS Study Abroad programs must:

- » Maintain a minimum GPA of 2.5 (unless otherwise stated in the program chapter). Students with slightly lower GPAs may be considered on a case by case basis.
- » Be in good social standing at their home institution.

Students must complete the application and submit it, together with a non-refundable deposit of \$395 (a \$300 program deposit and a \$95 application fee), with a copy of their transcript, to AIFS Study Abroad, January Term Programs. The \$300 deposit is refundable only if the applicant cannot be accepted. No refund will be considered if you fail to complete the application process or withdraw your application before an admissions decision is made. Although students complete a preliminary course selection on the application, final registration takes place on campus. Students should obtain approval for transfer credit from their home college or university before applying. All applicants must be at least 18 years old by the time their AIFS January Term program begins.

Confirmation of acceptance, pre-departure handbooks, program and flight itineraries will be available online at [www.aifsabroad.com/login](http://www.aifsabroad.com/login). Participants are sent a final itinerary approximately two weeks before departure. The itinerary constitutes the contract between AIFS and the student.

*Students are urged to contact their home institution's study abroad office to ensure that they comply with requirements for study abroad. In order to maintain your enrollment status, facilitate academic credit transfer and to use any applicable financial aid it is important that you follow your school's requirements for study abroad.*

## WHEN TO ENROLL

Enroll as early as possible, as openings on each campus are limited. Apply before October 1 (September 15 for Berlin, European Art & Architecture, Galápagos and Hyderabad) to ensure your best chance of acceptance. New enrollments cannot be accepted less than 50 days prior to departure unless the participant agrees to make his/her own flight arrangements. Participants enrolling within the 50-day period will be reviewed on an individual basis depending on availability of campus and air space.

## APPLICATION AND PAYMENT DEADLINES

**Applications** An initial non-refundable deposit of \$300 and a non-refundable application fee of \$95 (total \$395) are required with the application.

**Payment** Full payment is due November 15 (October 15 for Berlin, European Art & Architecture, Galápagos and Hyderabad programs). Students who fail to make the final payment will not be permitted to register and start the program. Under no circumstances will a student be sent his/her airline ticket until final fees have been paid.

**Optional Excursions** The deadline for payment for optional excursions is November 15 (October 15 for Berlin, Galápagos and Hyderabad programs.)

## FEE GUARANTEE

Program fees are guaranteed in U.S. dollars. There are no surcharges for currency fluctuations; however, fees for the optional transportation package (round-trip flights and airport transfers) are subject to adjustment resulting from government or airline surcharges (e.g. fuel) imposed subsequent to catalog publication (December 2019) and will be confirmed at time of invoicing.

## AIRLINE TICKETS

If you have selected the Optional AIFS Flight Package, where permitted by the airline, you will be issued with an electronic ticket. Once confirmed, details of your flight information will be available to you at [www.aifsabroad.com/login](http://www.aifsabroad.com/login). You can check here at any time to get your flight information but should make a final check just prior to your departure. A detailed itinerary will be mailed to your home address approximately two weeks prior to departure. If you will not be at your home address at this time, notify AIFS in writing of your new address. Itineraries are sent via UPS (they cannot be sent to a P.O. Box number).

## PASSPORTS



You must obtain your own passport. We urge you to apply for (or renew) your passport as soon as you have decided to take part in the program. Some countries require passports be valid for six to seven months beyond the end of the program. To apply for or renew a passport you must:

- » obtain an application from a passport office, state or federal court with naturalization jurisdiction or local post office and supply requested information.
- » submit proof of citizenship (birth certificate with raised seal), proof of identity (driver's license or similar document) and two identical passport-size photos (2" x 2") and pay the fee.
- » Applications can take more than 4 weeks to process. Apply early for a passport.

Please consult the following website for more detailed information: <http://travel.state.gov/content/passports/english/passports/apply.html>



## ACADEMIC CREDIT

Most American universities and colleges recognize AIFS programs for academic credit. Since foreign universities do not use the same credit system as American schools, there are certain procedures all AIFS participants should follow.

Each American college or university has its own policy on the acceptance of transfer credits. AIFS does not grant credit itself, nor do foreign universities evaluate students' progress by the awarding of academic credit, the system used by American colleges and universities. Many European universities use the European Credit Transfer System (ECTS) with 6 ECTS credits typically being equivalent to 3 U.S. credits. AIFS serves in an advisory capacity to American institutions about the foreign equivalences and the amount of credit to award for academic work completed abroad. Transcripts are issued by the host institution, not AIFS.

To obtain credit for January Term work, arrangements must be made with the home institution before departure abroad to determine whether credit will be granted for courses offered, and to learn which documents are required from the foreign university to ensure credit. Students should meet with their faculty advisor to discuss courses and placement in foreign language programs. The advisor may suggest further meetings with the appropriate official.

To evaluate a foreign study program, American college administrators require a transcript giving details such as dates of enrollment, courses taken, number of hours per week in each course, etc. All AIFS students are given transcripts for their work issued by the host university abroad. If you have outstanding charges, your transcripts will be withheld until accounts are settled.

Only the American institution can evaluate work overseas, and in all cases, only the American institution can decide to award transfer credit. Most American institutions grant credit for study abroad provided students contact them before departure and successfully complete the necessary examinations at the foreign university and obtain a proper transcript.

## HOW TO APPLY FOR TRANSFER CREDIT

### Programs Taught by Foreign Universities

Students currently enrolled in a U.S. college may be granted transfer credit by their own college or university if they apply for approval from the proper authorities at their academic institution before the start of the program. Students should speak with the appropriate officials at their college or university.

Graduating high school seniors should check with the universities they plan to attend to determine whether credits will transfer. All students receive a transcript directly from the foreign university.

## OUTLINE OF JANUARY TERM PROGRAMS

**Administration** Students on campus are assisted by a Resident Director who works closely with the host university and its professors on behalf of AIFS students. The Resident Director and staff are always available to help. Each large January Term program also has a staff of campus coordinators responsible for organizing excursions and arranging a social and cultural program that introduces students to the local community.

**Air Transportation** AIFS uses major international airlines such as British Airways, Delta, Lufthansa Airlines, United Airlines and Virgin Atlantic Airways and offers a wide choice of U.S. departure cities. Round trip transportation and airport-to-campus or site transfers are included in program fees for students who elect to purchase the Optional AIFS Flight Package. Students flying one-way or leaving the U.S. on an unscheduled departure date must take the "own transportation" option. Changing to the own transportation option must be done at least 75 days before departure. Students opting for their own arrangements must make transfer arrangements between airports and campuses. Students failing to request flights upon application and/or meet deadlines will be required to pay a late transportation fee of \$250 with any subsequent written flight request or make their own travel arrangements at their expense. Subsequent flight changes are subject to applicable fees. Availability of seats on flights is not guaranteed by the late fee and students may be required to pay a fare differential.

If you wish to make a change to your return flight after tickets are issued, please note the following: All requests are subject to airline availability, and any additional fees assessed by the airline will be passed on to you. Date changes only are permitted; routing changes (change to departure and/or arrival city) are prohibited by the airlines. There will be a \$100 administrative fee for this transaction, plus fees assessed by the airline. Please visit [www.aifsabroad.com](http://www.aifsabroad.com) for further instructions after arrival on campus.

**Housing** Students live in residence halls, apartments or with host families depending on the program location. Single rooms are sometimes available for a supplement. During the organized travel portions of each program, tourist class hotels as well as student residences are usually used.

## STUDENT CONDUCT

Standards of conduct help to ensure satisfaction with the program. Because AIFS programs depend on the good will of host universities, you are required to observe campus regulations and customs relating to students at the university of your choice. AIFS, its Resident Directors and coordinators are in charge of the welfare and behavior of students. Students are expected to cooperate with staff and accept responsibility for adult standards of behavior. Students must obey the laws of the host country.

**Probation & Dismissal** Students who fail to maintain standards of conduct and academic achievement may be removed from AIFS accommodation or be dismissed without refund.

Students dismissed because of academic or disciplinary standing forfeit all academic credit. A professor may fail a student because of excessive unexcused absences, as well as by examination or other evaluation.

In cases of misconduct, a student may be warned, placed on non-academic probation, academically withdrawn or dismissed from the program as the circumstances warrant. The decision of the Director of AIFS Study Abroad is final.

**Full Participation** in the academic program is required. Failure to attend class and complete required assignments and tasks is grounds for dismissal without refund.

**Alcohol & Drugs** Abuse of alcohol and use of illegal drugs and prescription drugs not prescribed to the student are grounds for dismissal without refund. Students must obey the laws of the host country.

**Motor Vehicles** The use of motorized vehicles, including rental cars, motorcycles and motor scooters/mopeds is strongly discouraged. Students considering independent travel that involves rented vehicles are advised to use services that include locally licensed professional drivers.

**Rude, Aggressive & Offensive Behavior** AIFS will not tolerate rude, aggressive or offensive behavior, or verbal abuse towards AIFS staff, host families, other program participants or academic staff. Students who do not maintain acceptable standards of behavior may be removed from AIFS accommodations or removed from the program without refund.

**Independent Travel** Students traveling outside of the program location must inform their Resident Director of their travel plans.

**Housing Regulations** Students must conform with the dormitory and apartment regulations or the customs of the homestay family. Unmarried couples may not live together in AIFS accommodations. In addition, some families and residences will not accept married couples. Married couples should plan to provide their own accommodations. They will receive a rebate. Students who decide to move out of AIFS housing after the program has started receive no refund.

AIFS reserves the right to communicate with a student's home institution and/or parents on matters related to student behavior, health, safety or academic performance.

# TRAVEL AND FINANCIAL INFORMATION

## INDEPENDENT TRAVEL

Housing on campus is not provided outside the actual program dates and students opting to travel independently before or after the program must make their own accommodation arrangements during these periods. However, housing is provided on campus for those not participating in optional weekend excursions that operate during the academic program. AIFS residences/offices do not have storage facilities for luggage during independent travel times. Your AIFS Protection Plus insurance plan covers you for up to one month during your period of independent travel after the program.

## OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

For those who prefer a prearranged itinerary during independent travel time, AIFS organizes inexpensive study excursions. Some campuses also offer optional weekend excursions. The cost of these excursions is not included in January Term school fees. The deadline for optional excursion enrollment is October 15, regardless of the date of application. If you apply late and are on a wait list, you will not be able to enroll in optional excursions after October 15 unless AIFS can confirm availability.

AIFS excursions allow free time for individual sightseeing and organized visits to points of interest by bus, train or air. A multilingual tour manager accompanies each group. Details for optional study excursions appear in each chapter. Optional excursions are subject to a minimum enrollment of 10 unless otherwise stated in the program chapter. If not achieved, AIFS reserves the right to cancel the tour. Once paid for in the U.S. the fee for optional excursions is non-refundable unless AIFS cancels the excursion.

## YOUR CONTRACT WITH AIFS

**1. Terms and conditions** Dates, prices and program descriptions in this brochure constitute a part of the contract between AIFS and the participant. Your final itinerary provided prior to departure constitutes the actual program to be provided by AIFS.

**2. International flights** For international travel, complete, airline liability for passenger baggage is usually limited. Passengers should request complete terms governing airline liability limitations for their journey upon receipt of final itinerary and/or check-in. It is the responsibility of the passenger to file claims for lost/damaged baggage directly with the airline(s). Equipment, routing and itinerary may be modified by the direct air carrier or by AIFS. Single plane service is not guaranteed. Alternative aircraft of any carrier may be substituted at any time, and aircraft may make additional stops. Such changes will not create a right to cancellation or refund.

**3. Program fees include** Comprehensive insurance/assistance package; specified travel as shown in the detailed itinerary; tuition fees and housing as specified in the itinerary; meals as specified in the program description; sightseeing and entertainment as specified; services of AIFS Resident Directors and tips.

**4. Program fees do not include** Optional transportation package, \$95 non-refundable application fee, passport fees or certain visa fees; transfers and travel in connection with independent travel; should you choose not to join the optional excursion(s), your independent travel obligations are not included in the program fee: (i) accommodations and meals during any independent travel period, including (ii) overnight accommodations and (iii) transfer to the airport prior to departure when a period of independent travel precedes the return flight; meals not listed in the program description; special beverages with meals; laundry; excess baggage charges (check with each airline for rules); textbooks; overnight and weekend optional excursions while at the university; overnight accommodations, meals and additional domestic transportation expenses in the U.S. due to rescheduled or delayed flights (sometimes paid by the airline); transportation from student's home to point of international departure and back.

**5. Payment schedule** Upon application, participants must send a payment of \$395 (\$95 application fee and \$300 deposit) by check or credit card (American Express, Visa or MasterCard) payable to the American Institute For Foreign Study. AIFS fees can be paid online by credit card. Visit [www.aifsabroad.com](http://www.aifsabroad.com) for details. The \$395 fee is non-refundable. Upon acceptance, you will be billed for the balance of the program fee

due November 15 (October 15 for Berlin, Dublin, Hyderabad and Galápagos programs). The optional excursions are due by the final payment deadline of each program. Any participant whose check is returned for any reason will be assessed a charge of \$35.

**6. AIFS does not require a damage deposit.** Students will be responsible for payment of any damages, campus related charges or other charges incurred in student or family residences while on the program and will be invoiced accordingly. Academic transcripts will be withheld until all fees are paid.

**7. AIFS Study Abroad Refund Policy** The right to refunds is limited. All withdrawals must be in writing either by mail to AIFS Study Abroad, January Term Programs, American Institute For Foreign Study, 1 High Ridge Park, Stamford, CT 06905 or by fax to (203) 399-5597.

**Refunds prior to the start of the program** Using the postmark or fax date of a student's withdrawal letter as the official withdrawal date, the following applies:

If a student withdraws	he/she receives
After final payment deadline and more than 60 days before departure	All payments minus the nonrefundable deposit and application fee of \$395 and \$1,000 and any flight cancellation charges
After final payment deadline and 30 to 60 days before departure	All payments, minus the nonrefundable deposit and application fee of \$395 and 50% of the program fee and any flight cancellation charges
After final payment deadline and less than 30 days before departure	No refund

Students who do not notify AIFS in writing of their intent to withdraw before the payment deadline are responsible for all program fees.

### In addition :

- » If AIFS cancels a program, participants will be notified within 7 days and a full refund or, at the participant's option, credit toward another program will be made within 14 days of cancellation. AIFS will not cancel a program less than 10 days before scheduled departure unless circumstances exist which make it impossible for it to continue.
- » In the unlikely event that the U.S. State Department issues a travel warning before the program starts which advises U.S. citizens not to travel to the program site, AIFS will refund all fees paid minus the non-refundable deposit and application fee of \$395 and \$1,000.
- » If a program undergoes major changes and participants elect in writing to withdraw from the program, a full refund of all payments except the non-refundable deposit and application fee of \$395 will be processed within 14 days of the cancellation. Major changes mean significant changes in program dates or destination cities. Minor alterations including reversed itineraries will not result in refunds.

**Refunds once a program has started** Once the program has started, students who withdraw will receive no refund unless the U.S. State Department issues a travel warning advising U.S. citizens to leave the program site. In the unlikely event of this happening, AIFS would suspend the program and students would receive a pro-rata rebate of fees paid to AIFS for the portion of the program not completed less the non-refundable deposit and application fee of \$395. Students dismissed for disciplinary reasons receive no refunds of any kind and forfeit all academic credit.

There are no refunds for meals, accommodation, cultural activities/excursions, tuition or transportation missed by students for any other reasons other than those listed above once the program has started.

**8. Changes in costs, program assignments, itineraries** AIFS reserves the right to make changes to departure dates and cities as may be required and to reverse an itinerary route.

- » **Origin and destination cities** Departures are contingent upon adequate enrollment and are assigned on a first-come, first-served basis. AIFS reserves the right to reassign participants to alternate departure cities listed on program pages. AIFS will notify participants whether a requested original departure is available no later than 30 days before departure. Destination cities may be changed as long as the change affects only the order of cities visited.
- » **Housing** Participants will be notified of their residence upon arrival on campus. Residences may be changed during the program as required.
- » **Itineraries** On certain dates, especially holidays, some attractions or activities may be closed. AIFS reserves the right to substitute attractions, excursions or activities.
- » AIFS reserves the right to make alternate program arrangements, as described above, without offering a refund, and to make changes in program and flight itineraries as may be required.
- » Except for program changes made by AIFS in accordance with the preceding paragraphs, changes in departure or return cities, departure or return dates, hotels and program fees shall constitute "major changes." In the event of a major change occurring before departure, participants will be given the choice, within 14 days, of accepting such a change or of canceling and receiving a full refund. For major changes occurring during the program, participants will be given the choice of accepting or rejecting the changes and receiving a partial refund within 14 days of the return of the program. Participants must request refunds by writing to AIFS within seven days of notification of the major change. AIFS will inform participants of a major change within seven days of learning such a change, and in any case at least 10 days before scheduled departure (or as soon as possible if the change occurs within 10 days before departure).

**9. Flight arrangements** Students must indicate on the application their intention either to take an AIFS flight or to provide their own transportation to and from the program and pay the "land only" fee listed. Students changing from an AIFS flight to their own transportation prior to 75 days before departure pay a \$100 change fee; less than 75 days prior to departure students are subject to a \$250 penalty. Students who initially intended to provide their own transportation to and from the program may apply for a seat on AIFS flights subject to the following terms: 1) prior to 75 days before departure provided space is available; a \$100 change fee is charged and 2) within 75 days before departure provided space is available; subject to a \$250 penalty. Students changing from one departure city to another prior to 75 days before departure pay a \$100 change fee for each change; within 75 days of departure students are subject to a \$250 penalty in addition to any application fare differential provided space is available.

Students are sent their final itinerary approximately two weeks before departure. Students on extended personal travel before the start of the program should contact the Stamford office for itinerary information.

Due to TSA regulations students wishing to travel on an AIFS flight must be sure to give their full name exactly as it appears on their passport. If students give an incomplete or incorrect name on their application, they will be responsible for any financial penalties incurred or flight tickets cancelled.

## 10. Financial aid

- » **Government loans** The Department of Education Stafford Student Loan Program offers funds to students whose families show financial need. Details about this and other aid awards are available from your home institution's Financial Aid Office.
- » **Financial aid from the home institution** Your college or university may agree to apply aid to your AIFS study program. If you plan to use your financial aid award to pay for all or part of your AIFS fees, you must: (1) Apply early at the Financial Aid Office on your campus. This will enable you to receive notification of your award and determine before the final AIFS payment deadline whether you will be financially able to participate; (2) Arrange to have documentation sent from the Financial Aid Office or lending institution to AIFS stating the amount of the award and date it will be disbursed. The AIFS Financial Aid Information Form, available from AIFS, must be completed by the financial aid officer at your institution or lending agency and returned to AIFS January Term Programs office in Stamford, CT, prior to the November 15 final payment deadline.
- » Students who have their financial aid package modified or denied after the AIFS program begins are responsible for full payment. Failure to make immediate payment to AIFS will result in being administratively withdrawn. In this case, no refund or academic credit will be granted.
- » AIFS programs may be eligible for V.A. tuition grants.
- » Students may also charge all or a part of the program cost to American Express, MasterCard, or Visa.



**11. AIFS Protection Plan** (Included in the program fee) provides the most comprehensive medical and program/tuition refund package available to students studying abroad. The plan is administered by Cultural Insurance Services International (CISI). CISI is the leader in providing insurance coverage to the

international education sector, currently providing insurance coverage, travel/technical/medical assistance and claim paying services to more than 150,000 international students and cultural exchange participants worldwide. It covers you for the duration of your program, plus up to one month of independent travel after the program. Students will receive an individual insurance policy describing the coverage in detail. Please check this carefully as some exclusions and limitations apply - for example pre-existing medical conditions are covered up to \$500.

**Medical and baggage insurance** Coverage is provided by the ACE American Insurance Company. All claims are processed on a fast track basis by CISI staff. Unlike other plans, the AIFS student plan settles claims abroad, in your host country's respective currency. This facilitates immediate entry to a hospital for treatment. Treatments must of course be documented. The Resident Director helps with administrative matters concerning claims. Each campus has a doctor and infirmary available to handle minor ailments. The Resident Director arranges for students requiring treatment for more serious illnesses and accidents to receive immediate attention from the recommended university doctor and hospital in the area.

The coverage includes the following:

- » **Medical expenses while abroad** The insurance covers medical bills up to a maximum of \$250,000 for each medically covered illness or accident abroad for up to 52 weeks from the date of such illness or injury. Pre-existing complaints are covered up to a maximum of \$500 only. Among items covered are treatment by a physician or surgeon, nurse fees, x-rays, ambulance, therapeutic services, operations, drugs and medicines prescribed by a physician, hospital room and board (semi-private accommodations). Unlike other plans, the AIFS student plan settles claims abroad, in your host country's respective currency. This facilitates immediate entry to a hospital for treatment. Treatments must of course be documented. The Resident Director helps with administrative matters concerning claims. Each campus has a doctor and infirmary available to handle minor ailments. The Resident Director arranges for students requiring treatment for more serious illnesses and accidents to receive immediate attention from the recommended university doctor and hospital in the area.

- » **Mental health coverage** The insurance plan covers mental or nervous disorders up to \$2,500 for outpatient treatment or up to \$10,000 for inpatient treatment per lifetime. See Plan of Insurance brochure for further details.
- » **Baggage insurance** Personal effects are covered up to \$3,000 with a \$50 deductible. Electronic equipment to include laptops are covered up to \$500. Some exclusions apply. Please see the Plan of Insurance for further details
- » **Medical cancellation insurance** If after any scheduled payment has been made, but before departure, you are prevented from embarking on your trip because of either 1) covered accidental bodily injuries, disease or covered sickness for which you are under care of a legally qualified physician or surgeon or 2) quarantine at the place of residence or epidemic in the area of travel, the plan will reimburse the insured for payments in excess of the non-refundable deposit and application fee of \$395 and any tuition, housing and flight cancellation fees up to a maximum benefit of 3,000.
- » **Return airfare expense** If you travel on an AIFS flight, this plan will cover the cost up to a maximum of \$1,000 of your return air transportation on a regularly scheduled commercial flight (tourist class) to the original AIFS point of departure if you are unable to complete the program for any reason outlined under the Program cancellation insurance. A certificate of illness from a physician, other than a relative or member of your household, is necessary in making claims.
- » **Team Assist Plan** The AIFS insurance program provides participants with a world-wide 24-hour emergency telephone assistance service. Multilingual help and advice may be furnished for the participant in the event of any emergency during the term of coverage. Assistance services include: Medical monitoring, prescription drug replacement/shipment, emergency message transmittals, coverage verification/payment assistance for medical expenses. Travel assistance services include: Obtaining emergency cash, traveler check replacement, lost/delayed luggage tracking, replacement of lost or stolen airline ticket, credit card/passport/important document replacement.

In addition your plan provides for:

- » **Emergency Medical Evacuation/Repatriation** The Company shall pay benefits for Covered Expenses incurred up to \$250,000, if any Injury or covered Illness commencing during the Period of Coverage results in the Medically Necessary Emergency Medical Evacuation or Repatriation of the Insured Person. The decision for an Emergency Medical Evacuation or Repatriation must be ordered by the Assistance Company in consultation with the Insured Person's local attending Physician.
- » **Return of Mortal Remains or Cremation** The Company will pay the reasonable Covered Expenses incurred up to \$250,000 to return the Insured Person's remains to his/her then current Home Country, if he or she dies.

## FLIGHT PACKAGE FEES BY DEPARTURE CITY

For your convenience, AIFS will arrange your round-trip airfare including all fuel surcharges, taxes and fees, meet you at the arrival airport(s) and provide transportation to and from the program site on scheduled arrival and departure dates.

	Atlanta	Boston	Buffalo	Charlotte	Chicago	Cincinnati	Columbus	Dallas	Denver	Des Moines
San José, Costa Rica	\$1,060	\$840	\$900	\$1,360	\$880	\$1,160	\$1,020	\$1,160	\$1,180	\$1,180
Prague, Czech Republic	\$1,080	\$1,020	\$1,020	\$1,180	\$1,080	\$1,080	\$1,020	\$1,100	\$1,160	\$1,100
Galápagos Islands, Ecuador	\$1,260	\$1,100	\$1,100	\$1,420	\$1,180	\$1,420	\$1,340	\$1,420	\$1,340	\$1,460
London, England	\$1,100	\$1,040	\$1,100	\$1,120	\$1,040	\$1,140	\$1,100	\$1,140	\$1,120	\$1,140
Paris, France	\$1,220	\$1,140	\$1,140	\$1,180	\$1,160	\$1,180	\$1,140	\$1,180	\$1,220	\$1,180
Berlin, Germany	\$1,260	\$1,220	\$1,140	\$1,300	\$1,220	\$1,220	\$1,140	\$1,300	\$1,260	\$1,180
Athens, Greece	\$1,180	\$1,120	\$1,120	\$1,240	\$1,180	\$1,200	\$1,120	\$1,180	\$1,300	\$1,180
Hyderabad, India	\$2,160	\$2,160	\$2,220	\$2,140	\$2,080	\$2,180	\$2,160	\$2,120	\$2,120	\$2,160
Dublin, Ireland	\$1,080	\$1,000	\$1,080	\$1,100	\$1,000	\$1,160	\$1,080	\$1,060	\$1,120	\$1,060
Brixen, Italy	\$1,040	\$1,040	\$960	\$1,000	\$1,040	\$1,040	\$960	\$1,000	\$1,020	\$1,000
Rome, Italy	\$1,180	\$1,120	\$1,120	\$1,240	\$1,160	\$1,140	\$1,120	\$1,160	\$1,220	\$1,160
Lisbon, Portugal	\$1,160	\$1,040	\$1,040	\$1,180	\$1,160	\$1,180	\$1,040	\$1,200	\$1,220	\$1,200
Stellenbosch, South Africa	\$1,800	\$1,800	\$1,800	\$1,800	\$1,800	\$1,800	\$1,800	\$1,840	\$1,900	\$1,840
Barcelona, Spain	\$1,100	\$1,120	\$1,120	\$1,180	\$1,120	\$1,160	\$1,120	\$1,160	\$1,180	\$1,160
Granada, Spain	\$1,040	\$980	\$1,080	\$1,060	\$980	\$1,140	\$1,080	\$1,020	\$1,080	\$1,120
Salamanca, Spain	\$2,080	\$1,620	\$1,740	\$1,840	\$1,660	\$1,740	\$1,840	\$1,900	\$1,840	\$1,900
European Art and Architecture	\$1,100	\$1,040	\$1,040	\$1,160	\$1,080	\$1,060	\$1,040	\$1,080	\$1,140	\$1,080

The optional flight package prices listed are subject to change and will be confirmed at time of invoicing. (Program fee is guaranteed.)

- » **Trip Delay Benefit** The Company will pay covered expenses of up to \$1,000 limited to \$250 per day if a student's trip is delayed for more than 12 hours. (Covered reasons are outlined in the brochure.)
- » **Security Evacuation Benefit** The Company shall pay benefits up to \$100,000 in the event of specified occurrences such as political unrest and physical threats. To view the policy details and download a brochure go to [www.culturalinsurance.com/cisi\\_forms.asp](http://www.culturalinsurance.com/cisi_forms.asp).

**12. Responsibility** AIFS is responsible for making all program arrangements including housing. AIFS is also responsible for making flight arrangements for students who select this option. A program begins with the departure of the international flight and ends upon completion of the return flight to the U.S.

AIFS cannot be responsible for events beyond its control such as (without limitation) acts of God, war, incidents of politically motivated violence, strikes or government restrictions. Nor, in the absence of its own negligence, can AIFS be responsible for personal injury or property damages caused by persons not controlled by it, such as (without limitation) airlines, bus companies, railway, hotels, universities and persons engaging in acts of politically motivated violence.

The actual itinerary may be reversed or vary slightly from those in this brochure. The final itinerary sent constitutes the program to be provided by the Institute. The agreement with AIFS cannot be modified or interpreted except in writing by the AIFS Stamford office. No verbal modification or interpretation shall have any validity.

**13. Visas** Travelers not allowed to board at an airport because they do not have the correct or sufficient travel documents must assume all consequences. Failure to meet deadlines or obtain a visa does not constitute grounds for deviation from the standard refund policy.

Passports are required of everyone traveling outside the U.S. on AIFS programs. Non-U.S. citizens may be required to obtain visas to enter certain countries. For more information, check with the Washington, DC embassy for each country you will visit. Non-U.S. citizens are responsible for securing visas needed and must allow several weeks—or months—for this process.

**14. Immunizations** Students should contact their doctor or Board of Health to see if immunizations are needed.

Detroit	Houston	Los Angeles	Miami	Minneapolis	New York/ Newark	Orlando	Philadelphia	Phoenix	Pittsburgh	Raleigh/Durham	San Francisco	Seattle	St. Louis	Washington
\$1,140	\$860	\$1,020	\$680	\$1,180	\$880	\$720	\$1,020	\$1,120	\$880	\$1,220	\$960	\$1,280	\$1,020	\$800
\$1,120	\$1,060	\$1,220	\$1,100	\$1,160	\$1,000	\$1,100	\$1,100	\$1,180	\$1,020	\$1,120	\$1,240	\$1,160	\$1,100	\$1,040
\$1,380	\$1,260	\$1,060	\$1,060	\$1,460	\$1,040	\$1,120	\$1,180	\$1,460	\$1,240	\$1,480	\$1,100	\$1,660	\$1,460	\$1,060
\$1,120	\$1,020	\$1,140	\$1,100	\$1,200	\$1,040	\$1,140	\$1,080	\$1,180	\$1,040	\$1,140	\$1,100	\$1,140	\$1,180	\$1,080
\$1,160	\$1,120	\$1,220	\$1,180	\$1,220	\$1,060	\$1,220	\$1,140	\$1,260	\$1,140	\$1,180	\$1,180	\$1,220	\$1,180	\$1,160
\$1,260	\$1,240	\$1,300	\$1,220	\$1,260	\$1,120	\$1,200	\$1,220	\$1,260	\$1,220	\$1,300	\$1,300	\$1,280	\$1,240	\$1,220
\$1,220	\$1,180	\$1,260	\$1,180	\$1,220	\$1,120	\$1,240	\$1,120	\$1,280	\$1,120	\$1,180	\$1,300	\$1,260	\$1,180	\$1,140
\$2,200	\$2,140	\$2,160	\$2,160	\$2,220	\$2,140	\$2,140	\$2,120	\$2,120	\$2,140	\$2,120	\$2,180	\$2,200	\$2,140	\$2,140
\$1,160	\$1,020	\$1,080	\$1,100	\$1,140	\$960	\$1,080	\$1,080	\$1,120	\$1,000	\$1,100	\$1,040	\$1,140	\$1,060	\$1,000
\$1,040	\$1,000	\$1,060	\$1,000	\$1,040	\$1,040	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,020	\$1,040	\$1,000	\$1,060	\$1,060	\$1,040	\$1,040
\$1,180	\$1,160	\$1,220	\$1,160	\$1,260	\$1,040	\$1,160	\$1,080	\$1,220	\$1,120	\$1,160	\$1,220	\$1,220	\$1,160	\$1,140
\$1,220	\$1,140	\$1,220	\$1,140	\$1,260	\$1,020	\$1,180	\$1,120	\$1,260	\$1,100	\$1,200	\$1,220	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,120
\$1,800	\$1,760	\$1,900	\$1,840	\$1,840	\$1,800	\$1,840	\$1,800	\$1,900	\$1,800	\$1,840	\$1,900	\$1,900	\$1,840	\$1,800
\$1,140	\$1,160	\$1,180	\$1,120	\$1,180	\$1,060	\$1,200	\$1,120	\$1,180	\$1,120	\$1,220	\$1,160	\$1,180	\$1,220	\$1,120
\$1,060	\$1,020	\$1,120	\$1,080	\$1,080	\$1,000	\$1,140	\$1,060	\$1,080	\$980	\$1,060	\$1,060	\$1,080	\$1,160	\$980
\$1,740	\$1,980	\$1,620	\$1,760	\$1,740	\$1,580	\$1,760	\$1,760	\$1,880	\$1,780	\$1,760	\$1,900	\$1,800	\$1,720	\$1,660
\$1,100	\$1,080	\$1,140	\$1,080	\$1,180	\$960	\$1,080	\$1,000	\$1,140	\$1,040	\$1,080	\$1,140	\$1,140	\$1,080	\$1,020



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## MEET YOUR U.S PRE-DEPARTURE TEAM



### CHELSEA FORST, ADMISSIONS OFFICER

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I graduated from Eastern Connecticut State University with a BS in Communications and a minor in Philosophy in 2014. During my junior year I was fortunate enough to spend a semester abroad in Florence, Italy. The entire experience truly changed my perspective on life. After graduating, I decided to travel as much as I could and pursue a career in international education. For the last three years I have worked as a Placement Specialist for AIFS' high school exchange program, Academic Year in America. I am excited to continue my work by helping students get the most out of their study abroad program and bring them the same amazing experience that I had.



### JACQUELINE HATCH, PROGRAM ADVISOR

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New to the AIFS team, I graduated from Duquesne University in 2013 with a double major in Integrated Marketing Communication and Journalism. During my sophomore year of college I had the opportunity to study abroad in Rome, Italy. My love for international and cultural education truly blossomed during a recent two year-stint in Thailand teaching English and supporting the restructure of a new language curriculum for less proficient students. I learned firsthand the benefits of intercultural exchange and am thrilled to assist students reach their study abroad goals and share in their own once-in-a-lifetime experience.



### REBECCA RANKIN, ADMISSIONS OFFICER

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My interest in international and cultural education began when I was an undergraduate at Pace University in New York. As a research assistant, my work focused on ethnicity, race, gender and culture, as well as local environmental issues. I continued to pursue my interests in cultural education by studying abroad with AIFS during my junior year in London, England. I loved the experience so much that I decided to finish my degree in England and I graduated from Richmond, The American International University in London with a bachelor's degree. After graduating, I began my professional career in international education as an Admissions Officer with AIFS in November 2006. In 2012, I received my master's degree from Fordham University in New York, New York.



### ANGELA PANICCIA, ADMISSIONS OFFICER

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I am a graduate of Southern Connecticut State University with a BA in Political Science and a minor in History. After studying abroad as an undergraduate with AIFS in Barcelona, Spain, I joined the AIFS team to provide support to college students wishing to do the same. I believe students gain immeasurable experience through international education and study abroad and I am excited to help in the admissions process. Outside of work I both enjoy and encourage travel, cooking and spending time with my family.



### KATY SULLIVAN, ADMISSIONS OFFICER

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I grew up in a small town in Vermont and attended the University of Vermont, very close to home. Spending a semester in Vienna during my junior year opened my eyes to the world and ignited a passion for travel, languages and cultural exchange that I still have today. I graduated from UVM with a BA in Economics, and then saved all summer so I could backpack around Europe for five weeks with a friend. Shortly after that, I lived and worked in Sweden for a year. I have continued to travel and soak up other cultures and languages whenever I can. I truly believe that studying abroad changed the course of my life and made me who I am today. As an Admissions Officer with AIFS, I am thrilled to be helping students have similarly life-changing experiences abroad.

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The AIFS Study Abroad Board of Advisors is made up of individuals who are professionals in the field of international higher education. Members typically represent education abroad departments at colleges and universities with missions that support the advancement of international education and study abroad.

AIFS invites individuals to serve on the Board as volunteers, seeking their advice and counsel on issues related to study abroad program development, management and evaluation. The Board meets annually, and AIFS communicates with its members throughout the year to discuss issues as they arise.

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