BERLIN BEYOND THE WALL: URBAN SPACE AND CULTURAL FLOWS

Spring Break Study Abroad Program
March 10 - 17, 2018
Program Director
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Program Description
The exciting week-long program investigates cultural studies and urban geographies of the 20th and 21st centuries at the crossroads of modern Europe. The program is conducted in English and no knowledge of German is required to participate. Students will first meet for several days on campus at Georgia State University to begin exploring the history, geography and cultures of modern Berlin. During our one-week stay in Berlin, we will spend approximately half of each day on organized outings such as walking tours and visits to museums and places of cultural interest. Some of these excursions will be supplemented by guest lectures and students will also visit important government agencies to investigate current economic and political issues, urban issues such as city planning and environment as well as changing demographics and record immigration numbers. Time will also be allotted each day for students to conduct research and work on their final projects in the city. This interdisciplinary program is open to students from any area of study.

Application Information
The program is open to undergraduate and graduate students in any department who are interested in German culture, urban geographies, art, city planning or issues related to government programs addressing migration, labor relations and social affairs. Program size is limited and participation is contingent upon acceptance by the Program Director.

Transient Students: please see theTransient Student tab on the How to Apply page on our website: mystudyabroad.gsu.edu/prospective/how-to-apply

International students at Georgia State who hold F-1 visas must contact the Office of International Students and Scholar Services at (404) 413-2070 to discuss possible implications of study abroad for their immigration status.

Accommodations
The NH Collection Berlin Mitte am Checkpoint Charlie hotel is located on Leipziger Strasse, directly in the city center, just a few steps from one of the main shopping streets, Friedrichstrasse. Some of Berlin’s biggest sights such as Checkpoint Charlie, Potsdamer Platz or the Brandenburg Gate are an easy walk away too.

Application Deadline: October 31, 2017
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Atlanta, GA

The program will include at least one pre-departure orientation, where the coursework and important pre-departure information about health, safety & insurance will be discussed.

Berlin, Germany

Saturday, March 10 – Depart Atlanta
Sunday, March 11 – Arrive in Berlin, orientation (transportation, city sites, etc.)
Monday, March 12 – Institute for the International Education of Students (how to study for free in Germany) – Boat Tour of Berlin
Tuesday, March 13 – Museum Island
Wednesday, March 14 – Potsdam, Sans Souci, Sachsenhausen
Thursday, March 15 – Alternative Berlin – Subcultures, Graffiti Art, Multicultural Neighborhoods, Urban Renewal, Gentrification
Friday, March 16 – Historical Walking Tour – Berlin after the Wall
Saturday, March 17 – Morning wrap up – Return to Atlanta (option to return on Sunday, March 18)

Courses and Credits
Participants will receive 3 semester hours of course credit at Georgia State University. Undergraduate students should register for German 3395 and graduate students should discuss their course credit needs with the director and a course number will be created. Students from other institutions should follow their institution’s regulations concerning transfer credits.

Program Cost
The program cost is tentatively set at $1,799.00, PLUS regular Georgia State University tuition and fees. Program cost may vary at any time according to currency fluctuations and changing travel arrangements. Non-resident/out-of-state students will pay in-state tuition plus a $250 fee in addition to the program cost. For more information on what the program cost does and does not include, please visit: http://www.studyabroad.gsu.edu/?go=BerlinSpringBreak

Payment Schedule
October 31, 2017: $300 deposit due
November 16, 2017: $499 payment due
December 4, 2017: Program cost charged to student account
Early January 2018: $1000 remaining balance due along with tuition & fees for spring semester.

Funding & Scholarship Info
Georgia State University students may eligible for the IEF Scholarship or the Global Experience Scholarship. Visit http://mysudyabroad.gsu.edu/prospective/funding-study-abroad or call the Study Abroad Programs office at (404) 413-2529 to learn more about scholarships & financial aid for study abroad.

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