



MIDWESTERN
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STUDY ABROAD

Berlin



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Guten TAG!

HALLO! Study in the capital and urban center of Germany! Berlin is a city where tradition and modernization blend together creating a unique study abroad experience. Home to three World Heritage Sites, Berlin is also a thriving hub of high-tech industry. With world-class museums, solemn monuments, and modern marvels, Berlin continues to be a prominent city of culture, commerce, and historical significance.

EARN MSU TEXAS CORE CREDITS

Your courses will be hosted on the campus of Bard College Berlin (BCB) but will include site visits all around the city to enhance your learning. This is an opportunity to complete your core curriculum in a variety of academic areas. There are multiple course offerings available for all majors to study in Berlin.

ACADEMIC PROGRAM

As a Summer I course, the online portion of the course will begin approximately one week before leaving for Berlin. You will travel with MSU Texas faculty and once abroad, class will meet five days a week. There will be ample time to sight-see and take in this exciting culture.

Class time will include visits to schools, museums, educational institutions and related sites; guest speakers; discussions; and projects. The international portion of the program will last approximately 19 days in June including travel time. There will also be an optional weekend excursion as well as one free weekend. The course will finish with a week of online work upon returning.



PROGRAM COST INCLUDES

- Travel: Round trip airfare from DFW to Berlin and coach transfers
- MSU Texas tuition and fees
- Housing accommodations
- Weekend excursion outside of Berlin

Meals, public transportation, and personal expenses will be the student's responsibility.

FINANCIAL AID

All MSU Texas students accepted into the program will receive a scholarship from the Global Education Office. Traditional financial aid (grants/loans) is available through the Office of Financial Aid. Learn more at msutexas.edu/finaid or call 940.397.4214.

HOW TO APPLY

Visit the Global Education Office, located in Bridwell Hall 107, or complete an application online at msutexas.edu/academics/study-abroad.

Applications are accepted by:

EMAIL: studyabroad@msutexas.edu

MAIL: Global Education Office
3410 Taft Boulevard
Wichita Falls, TX 76308-2099

Course OPTIONS

All of the courses in the Berlin program are designed to help students fulfill parts of their academic foundations and core curriculum. A variety of courses are available to students regardless of their major, and all depends on what is still needed in their degree plans. Please consult either the Global Education Office or your Academic Advisor to review your degree plan. All students will take one of these courses during their trip.

Language, Philosophy, & Culture

HIST 1433 - Survey of Western Civilization

The German people and the region that became Germany in 1871 played dynamic roles in the history of Europe. This course, held in the capital city of Berlin, is a chance to learn modern European history through a German lens. It covers the period between 1517 (the beginning of the Protestant Reformation) to the invasion of Ukraine by Putin's Russia. We will examine the building of European states, imperialism, nationalism, and the height of European powers in the two world wars. We will also discuss the Holocaust and European genocides, the restructuring of a weakened Europe after World War II, and the fall of communism/socialism in the late 20th century.

Creative Arts

ART 1413 - Art Appreciation

Art Appreciation will introduce some basic skills for viewing, interpreting, and appreciating art objects, architecture, and visual representations from a range of art historical periods, styles, and movements. This course provides an extraordinary opportunity to directly experience and study art and architecture in Berlin, with its 170 museums and 300 art galleries. The city, its art, architecture, and cultures, is our classroom.



American History

HIST 1233 - Survey of American History since 1865

This course is a general survey of American History from 1865 to the present, and will give special consideration to the connections between the United States and Europe, particularly Germany, as Germany and its immigrants have shaped the American culture. By studying American History in Germany, we will see the multiple connections between the two countries, both as allies in the NATO coalition and as enemies during the world wars.



Social & Behavioral Sciences

SOCL 1133 - Introductory Sociology

Sociology is the study of human social relationships and institutions. The subject matter is diverse, ranging from crime to religion, from the family to the state, from divisions of race and social class to shared beliefs of a common culture, as well as the differences. Unifying the study of these diverse subjects of study is sociology's purpose of understanding how human action and consciousness both shape and are shaped by surrounding cultural and social structures. Berlin is one of the most fascinating locations to discuss and experience all of these subjects.

Component Area Option: Cultural & Global Understanding

EDUC 2013 - School and Society

This course provides a unique experience to learn the connections between education and society within a different setting than the U.S. The comparative nature of this course broadens understanding of the reciprocal nature of the relationship between schools and the larger context. Site visits, projects set within the community, and teamwork mark the difference in the School and Society study abroad course.

MCOM 1233 - Introduction to Mass Communication

This course will study the mass communication process, including print media, radio/recording, television, internet, and emerging media. Students will also learn about media issues, societal effects, and trends. Taking this course in Berlin will allow students to see the differences between countries while looking at the role mass communication has played in German history.

Component Area Option: Undergraduate Inquiry & Creativity

COUN 2143 - Human Diversity

Students will have the opportunity to examine human differences while experiencing a city that is known globally for its celebration of diversity. The course provides time, space, and direction to explore all types of diversity through group discussions, guest speakers, excursions throughout the area, and projects that require introspection, insight, and understanding. Students will return from this study abroad course with experiences that will serve to expand their world view.





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