

Media & Society in Germany - May term 2020



JMC 345 Media & Society in Germany. 3 credits in Communication Studies. No prerequisites.

Fulfills **Global Perspectives** general education requirement.

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Program description:

The program is designed to give you a basic understanding of contemporary German society and current issues such as European unity, changing demographics and immigration. We will also focus on two major institutions in Germany: the Christian church and the media. We will examine significant issues related to international communication more broadly.

The program will provide an opportunity for you to acquire/solidify digital storytelling and media production skills in a cross-cultural and transnational setting. We will collaborate with German students for some of this work. No prior media abilities are required for this experiential component, as we will cover basic techniques and principles in predeparture and on-site workshop sessions, and will be using easy-to-learn consumer-level gear and software.

German language ability is not a requirement for participation. Predeparture preparation will include basic phrases and a basic introduction to German culture and customs.

Anticipated Cost: \$3900 (includes air and ground transportation as well as lodging)

Payment Plan:

\$500 Nonrefundable deposit within 2 days of being accepted

\$580 May 1

\$580 June 1

\$580 July 1

\$580 August 1

\$580 September 1

\$500 October 1

Early Bird Special: The EBS is an incentive program that gives students a \$100 credit *if* they: make ALL payments in time according to the payment plan; turn in all required paperwork in accordance with Off-Campus Programs deadlines; and meet the Health Center's deadlines for fulfilling the Travel Clinic requirement.

Grants/Scholarships: Students will be eligible to apply for a \$500 need-based travel grant. Information about the application for this award will be communicated by Off-Campus Programs upon acceptance to the program

Tentative Itinerary:

Leave Spokane for Leipzig, Germany on May 21, 2020

Approximately 3.5 weeks in Leipzig

Excursions to Berlin and to Dresden

Weekends off for sightseeing

Return to Spokane on June 14, 2020

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Approx. Dates: May 22 – June 15, 2018 (24 days)

