

Austria

Fall

2010-
2011

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Study Abroad in Austria

German language, European history, culture, art and politics are the primary focus of the Austria study abroad program. Located in Salzburg, Austria, surrounded by alpine mountains (nearby Untersberg is 2000 meters high), divided by the Salzach River, and guarded by the fortress Hohensalzburg. The old city center is couched between the Kapuzinerberg and Mönchsberg, which act as natural barriers separating the *Altstadt* from more modern additions. Magnificent baroque architecture enhances this city of churches and palaces, cloisters and courtyards. Salzburg indeed inspires learning: a university was founded there by Benedictine monks in 1617 and is now a state institution.

A favorite in the European treasure chest of urban gems, Salzburg claims a rich and well-preserved history in a fairy-tale environment. It is the birthplace of the 18th-century musical genius Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, whose birth house is a museum open to the public.

The CSB/SJU Salzburg program takes advantage of the settings as a conduit for real-life learning and understanding. German language instruction is an integral part of the program. In addition, specially designed courses in art history, political science and philosophy are offered. One year of college German or equivalent proficiency is required.

Housing Arrangements

Housing is arranged for program participants by the Office for Education Abroad. In accordance with institutional policies, co-ed housing is not an option on any CSB/SJU sponsored program. In Salzburg, participants live in student dormitories that provide kitchen facilities and internet connection (students must provide their own computers).



Selection Criteria

- Minimum GPA of 2.5, unless there are special circumstances.
- Letters of recommendation from the academic advisor, a non-faculty member, a faculty member and a language instructor.
- Interview with the program director.
- Language proficiency (one year of college German or the equivalent.)
- Preference is given to qualified seniors, qualified juniors and qualified sophomores in that order.
- Qualified CSB/SJU students receive preference over students from other colleges and universities.
- CSB/SJU students who have never been on a CSB/SJU semester-long study abroad program receive preference over students who have already participated on a CSB/SJU semester-long study abroad program.
- A student cannot be accepted to a program if he/she has not completed the application process.
- A disciplinary violation could affect acceptance to a study abroad program.

Things You Should Know:

- Language prerequisite:
One year of college-level German.
- Students can study abroad in Austria during the fall semester (early September to mid-December).
- The deadline for applications for all 2010-2011 study abroad programs is January 15, 2010.



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Policies

Students are required to attend all class meetings of courses for which they are registered. It is the student's responsibility to contact an instructor—preferably in advance—of a necessary absence. A student absent from class for any reason assumes the responsibility for work which has been missed. Personal travel is not considered a reasonable absence from class.

The instructor determines the attendance policy for his or her class. An instructor may fail a student if the instructor determines that unwarranted absences have earned the student a grade of "F", based on grading standards and attendance requirements defined in the course syllabus.

Disregard for either the academic character of the program or the basic social and legal obligations of a guest residing in another country will result in the termination of the student's program abroad.



How do I get to Austria?

Students will make their own flight arrangements and must meet in Salzburg at a place and time to be designated by the program director.

Check with your local travel agent or the following websites:

- www.studentuniverse.com;
- www.statravel.com;
- www.orbitz.com;
- www.expedia.com;
- www.travelocity.com; or
- www.kayak.com.

Important Information

Program Fees

The program fee for 2009-2010 was \$18,673. The program fee will increase by the same percentage as tuition, room and board on campus for the 2010-2011 academic year. The fee is subject to change due to unanticipated increases in expenses and exchange rate fluctuations. Please note the items included/not included in the program fee.

Included in the Program Fee:

1. CSB/SJU tuition for the semester
2. Orientation program expenses
3. Housing while the program is in session
4. On-site tuition and instructional costs
5. Course-related excursions
6. Visa fees

Not Included in the Program Fee:

1. Non-program travel or housing
2. Passport application fee
3. Round-trip international airfare
4. Medical/travel exams/consultations
5. Food/meal expenses

Financial Aid

Regularly enrolled CSB/SJU students are eligible for financial aid on this study abroad program just as if they were on-campus, with the exception of work-study and the housing grant. For further information, students are directed to the *Academic Catalog*, available online. You are also encouraged to discuss your eligibility with the financial aid office. For information on study abroad scholarships, please visit the Office for Education Abroad Website:

<http://www.csbsju.edu/internationaleducation/scholarships.htm>



Athletic Eligibility

Grades from study abroad programs must be received by the CSB/SJU Registrar's Office to determine athletic eligibility. If, for any reason, the necessary grades have not been received at the start of the athletic season, the student will not be allowed to participate (including practice) until it is determined that the student has met all eligibility requirements.

Travel Medical Consultation

Health exams to satisfy visa requirements, travel consultations, and immunizations are the financial and personal responsibility of the traveling student. Students should make an appointment for a pre-travel consultation with the SJU Health Center, CSB Health Services, or another medical professional. Be sure to allow sufficient time as some vaccinations are given in a series with certain intervals between vaccinations. OEA staff are not qualified to make a recommendation about travel medical care. If a medical exam or medical information is required to fulfill visa application requirements, the specific information will be given to the students at pre-departure orientation. For more details about medical health concerns while traveling, consult the Center for Disease Control and Prevention website at www.cdc.gov.

Orientation Program

All CSB/SJU students must participate in orientation sessions during the semester prior to going abroad. These sessions are arranged by the program director and the Office for Education Abroad. Attendance at all orientation sessions is mandatory for all CSB/SJU students.

Fall 2010: March 20th, 2010

Academic Program

In keeping with the goals of a liberal education, CSB/SJU study abroad programs offer off-campus intellectual environments in which students are able to explore the human condition. Students are exposed to unique opportunities to examine the fundamental, recurring questions about themselves and the world. At the same time, great care has been taken to ensure that the courses taught abroad are integrated fully into the Common Curriculum and/or departmental offerings.

Each participant is required to take a 4-credit course in German at the appropriate level. In addition, participants will complete their 16-credit program with seminar courses taught in English.

Grades issued on all CSB/SJU sponsored programs are recorded on the student's transcript as letter grades. All grades are calculated into the student's cumulative GPA.

Applicants are required to have completed one year of college level German language or the equivalent. Three semesters is highly recommended.

Language Requirements

GERM 215	INTERMEDIATE GERMAN I ABROAD (4 credits).
GERM 216	INTERMEDIATE GERMAN II ABROAD (4 credits).
GERM 315	GERMAN CONVERSATION/COMPOSITION I ABROAD (4 credits).
GERM 316	GERMAN CONVERSATION/COMPOSITION II ABROAD (4 credits).
GERM 360	ADVANCED GRAMMAR ABROAD (4 credits).
ART 350 FA	RENAISSANCE AND BAROQUE ART HISTORY (4 credits). Transition from Renaissance to Baroque as background; Venetian Mannerism, Italian and Spanish Counter Reformation. Aristocratic Baroque in France (Louis XIV), Bourgeois (domestic) Baroque in the Low Countries, Baroque and 18th Century in Austria. (Taught in English.)
PHIL 359 HM	MORAL PHILOSOPHY (4 credits). The moral dimensions of our existence: personal rights, duties and relation to society. (Taught in English.)
POLS 341	EUROPEAN POLITICS (4 credits). Examines comparatively the Political systems of Europe with particular emphasis on Western Europe in the context of Austria. In light of events at the end of the Cold War, The course includes the study of Eastern Europe including the Balkans. European integration through the European Union will be a major focus of the course. Issues of political and social change will be explored including a study of violence in Northern Ireland and the former Yugoslavia. (Taught in English)
MGMT 389	SA EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING (1-2 Credit/s). This course is designed for students participating in Study Abroad. Students will write a series of essays integrating their knowledge of theory with their personal observations and reactions. Particular emphasis will be placed on the impact of culture on business. The course will be taught by a professor at CSB/SJU, using distance learning to maintain contact with students located in a variety of countries. Students should purchase the required textbook, Adler's <i>International Dimensions of Organizational Behavior</i> , from the CSB Bookstore before departure for the program site observations. Restricted to MGMT majors/minors.
SA 390 REQUIRED IC EL	STUDY ABROAD SEMINAR (4 credits): The goal of the Study Abroad Seminar program is to expose students to the richness and diversity found on-site in their host culture and to more fully immerse the students into that culture. The course will include pre-departure, on-site and re-entry activities. A course description will be provided by the program director after students are accepted for the program. This course will be designed to develop intercultural skills and awareness and will meet the requirements of the Intercultural Requirement in the Common Curriculum. In some cases this course will fulfill the Experiential Requirement of the Common Curriculum.



Steps to a Successful Application

1. Attend a *Study Abroad 101* session, check out our website for a schedule.
2. Complete the online request for the letters of recommendation from the applicant's academic advisor, a non-faculty member, and an instructor of the applicant's choice.
3. Complete the online application.
4. Submit to OEA, Main Building G004 at CSB, the following:
 - \$225 application fee
 - Four official colored passport photos on a plain white background
 - Signature/Waiver form (Applicant & Parent signatures required). The fee is nonrefundable if the applicant is accepted, but is refunded if the applicant is not accepted.
5. Attend an interview with the director of the study abroad program.

Cancellation Policies

Withdrawal from a study abroad program must be made in writing to the Office for Education Abroad. OEA reserves the right to not fill a space resulting from a student's withdrawal.

Refunds for tuition and any recoverable fees on the program site are made to any student who withdraws during the semester abroad by formal written notice according to the general refund policy in the Course Catalog.

In the case of withdrawal due to serious health matters and accidents, all recoverable fees will be refunded with the exception of the \$225 application fee. Written notification from the student is required in addition to a doctor's statement.



Cancellation Fees

- \$250 for cancellation between April 1 - May 31, 2010
- \$500 for cancellation between June 1 - August 15, 2010
- \$500 plus any fees unrecoverable for cancellation after August 15, 2010



Important Web Resources:

OEA: www.csbsju.edu/internationaleducation
The Official Austrian National Tourist Website:
www.austria.info
U.S. passport information available online:
www.travel.state.gov/passport/
University Salzburg website:
www.uni-salzburg.at

Application Timeline

November 9th, 2009

Application available online.

January 15th, 2010

Study abroad application deadline 4:30pm.

Beginning January 25th

Interviews with the program director.

February 5th, 2010

First round notification of acceptance by email. Students may be considered for a second program after this date.

March 11th, 2010

\$200 (non-refundable) advance registration/housing deposit due in Student Accounts Office. All CSB/SJU students make this payment to confirm they are returning to CSB/SJU the next year. This is not a separate study abroad fee.

March 8th, 2010

Official written notification of acceptance.

March 20th, 2010

Required orientation for fall programs.

July 2010

(Fall Program)

Final billing by Student Accounts Office. This is part of your regular billing cycle. You will receive notification in the mail.