



### ABOUT THE PROGRAM

Baylor in Maastricht is Baylor's oldest study-abroad program in Europe with a year-round presence. As the oldest city in the Netherlands, Maastricht provides the cultural immersion and European setting for a long semester or part of a summer of unforgettable study and travel.

An ancient saying suggests that it is better to travel 10,000 miles than to read 10,000 books. We believe both travel AND books are essential to maximizing college education. The Baylor in Maastricht program combines both.

Through the Maastricht program students have the opportunity to study under both European and Baylor professors. In addition, students are able to travel to major European cities, such as Madrid, Amsterdam, Paris, Berlin, Vienna, Rome and Florence thanks to a Eurail Pass which is good in 22 European countries from the Mediterranean all the way to the Arctic Circle.

This program is designed in cooperation with the Center for European Studies (CES) at Maastricht University (UM) in the Netherlands, ensuring the best possible education in the best possible setting.

Students will choose 1 course taught by Baylor faculty and 1 CES course taught by Dutch professors. All courses are taught in English.

### WHY GO TO MAASTRICHT?

- Covers tuition and fees for 6-7 credit hours. All courses taught in English. Automatic BU credit.
- Double-occupancy rooms (Bring a friend and choose your roommate!)
- Meal plan included in program fee (2 meals per day). Cash meal allowance when traveling.
- **Group trip to Amsterdam**
- **1-month Eurail pass valid in 22 countries for free train travel on long weekends** (classes meet M-Th only) and during designated travel periods.
- Wireless Internet, health insurance, CES textbooks.
- Be in Waco for football, basketball, and Sing.

### HOW TO APPLY

Only serious students who have completed at least 30 hours at Baylor should apply.

Students must have a minimum 3.0 GPA (this will be assessed at the end of each semester).

Students must have a clear judicial record or consent to go by the Center for Global Engagement and the director.

The program is limited to 20 students. Applications are accepted on a rolling basis.

#### Applications are available at:

<http://bearsabroad.baylor.edu>



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## BAYLOR IN MAASTRICHT

### SUMMER II 2017

### JULY 5—AUGUST 12



**The world can be your campus!**



## ABOUT MAASTRICHT UNIVERSITY

Established in 1976, Maastricht University (UM) is the youngest university in The Netherlands. Maastricht University currently educates over 16,000 students and employs more than 3,500 people. Maastricht University has an “urban campus.” All faculties (University departments) are housed in beautiful historic buildings in downtown Maastricht within walking distance from one another.

The Center for European Studies (CES) is a division of Maastricht University which deals with the large number of international students enrolled. Students come from all over the world. One in four students at UM has an international background.



## ABOUT MAASTRICHT, THE NETHERLANDS

The city of Maastricht is located in the southernmost Dutch province of Limburg and is a “melting pot” of Dutch, French and German cultures. Although spoken languages of Dutch, French, and German are commonplace, some 70 percent of the Dutch also speak English.

Maastricht has played an increasingly important role in Europe in the late 20th Century. The European Council meeting in December 1991, which led to the now famous Maastricht Treaty of the European Union, is one of many indications of the city’s commitment to an international role.

The history of Maastricht dates back to 50 BC, when the Romans built a settlement near a ford in the Maas River. Today Maastricht has a population of 120,000, and because of the city’s rich heritage, the whole city-center has been declared a “protected area.”

## COST: \$3,250 + BAYLOR TUITION

### Includes:

- Housing and meals
- Eurail pass
- Group trip
- International health insurance



*Additional fees include: \$100 administrative fee & \$50/credit hour study abroad fee.*

*Airfare is not included, but a group flight will be arranged.*

### DEPOSITS

The first, **\$500**, is due upon acceptance into the program.

The second, **\$1500**, is due Jan. 15. After Jan. 15, 2017 all deposits will be nonrefundable.

All deposits are credited toward the program fee. Checks should be made payable to **Baylor University**.

### TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

July 5, 2017: Depart Houston to Amsterdam (arrive July 6), transfer to Maastricht.

July 7, 2017: Orientation

July 8-9, 2017: group trip

July 10-Aug 8, 2017: Classes & Exams

Aug 9-11, 2017: Independent Travel

Aug 12, 2017: Depart the Netherlands; arrive in US

### THE PROGRAM DIRECTOR

Dr. Kara Alexander is Associate Professor in Professional Writing and Rhetoric in the English Department, where she has taught for 10 years. She loves teaching at Baylor and delights in showing students how writing can be used as a form of discovery. She is an active scholar whose research examines the intersections of writing, narrative, and technology. She will be traveling to Maastricht with her husband Shane and their three children: Elizabeth (11), Peyton (8), and Levi (5). Dr. Alexander enjoys cooking, photography, sports, and travel. She has traveled to Europe, Russia, Central America, and Southeast Asia.

### Train Times from Maastricht

Amsterdam:	2.5 hrs
Berlin:	7 hrs
Brussels:	2 hrs
Cologne:	2.5 hrs
Edinburgh:	11 hrs
Geneva:	8 hrs
London:	5.5 hrs
Madrid:	22 hrs
Munich:	8 hrs
Paris:	4 hrs
Prague:	12 hrs
Rome:	20 hrs
Venice:	16 hrs
Vienna:	12 hrs



### COURSES OFFERED

#### Baylor Courses (select 1)

- **ENG 3303 – Persuasive Writing (General)**

This advanced composition course will improve students’ writing, rhetorical, and critical thinking skills. Students will become more adept writers, readers, and cultural critics as they engage the local and regional Dutch context in Maastricht and surrounding areas, including the history, culture, values, language, and traditions.

- **ENG 3385 – Travel Writing (Special topics course)**

We will focus mainly on the narrative and of forms and features of creative nonfiction, a genre that applies the techniques of fiction writing to nonfiction prose. Students will also learn basic techniques of travel writing and learn to read their own and others’ work in a critical light, which will improve their writing and analysis skills.

#### CES/UM Courses (select 1)

(up to 15 students per course)

- **Dutch Art History**

Baylor equivalents—ART 1V91, ART 1300, GTX 4340

- **Modernism and Beyond in British and European Literature**

Baylor equivalents—ENG 2306 or GTX 4321