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 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 in The Netherlands
  - 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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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
A deposit of $1500 is due Feb. 15. After Feb. 15, 2018, deposits will be nonrefundable.

The deposit should be paid online and will be credited toward the program fee.

Tentative Schedule
July 2, 2018: Depart U.S. to Amsterdam (arrive July 3), transfer to Maastricht.
July 4, 2018: Orientation
July 5—July 7: 3-day, 2-night group trip
July 9—Aug 7, 2018: Classes & Exams
Aug 8—Aug 10, 2018: Independent Travel
Aug 11: Depart the Netherlands; arrive in US

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.”

Courses Offered

Baylor Courses
(select 1)
- PSC 4395—Terrorism
  The effectiveness of terrorism as a coercive strategy for states and non-state actors as well as the threat terrorism poses to the interest of the United States.
- PSC 3304—Comparative Politics
  A comparative study of the principles, structure, and operation of contemporary governmental systems with special attention to the democratic systems of Europe.

CES/UM Courses (select 1)
- Dutch Art History
  Baylor equivalents—ART 1V91, ART 1300, GTX 4340
  *includes mandatory field trip
- Intercultural Philosophy and Communication
  Baylor equivalents—PSC 4V94, PSY 4V96, CSS 3393, JOU 3387, or PHI 4V99

The Program Director
Sergiy Kudelia is Assistant Professor of Political Science who has been teaching at Baylor for the last 5 years. A native of Ukraine, he received his graduate degrees in international relations from Johns Hopkins and Stanford Universities. Over the last three years he has researched the separatist armed conflict in Eastern Ukraine and has been a frequent media commentator on the topic. He enjoys using online tools, interactive techniques, field trips and simulations in his teaching. He will be traveling to Maastricht with his wife Lilia and their four-year old daughter Mlada.

Train Times from Maastricht
- Amsterdam: 25 hrs
- Berlin: 7 hrs
- Brussels: 2 hrs
- Cologne: 25 hrs
- Edinburgh: 7 hrs
- Geneva: 6 hrs
- London: 5.5 hrs
- Madrid: 22 hrs
- Munchen: 8 hrs
- Paris: 4 hrs
- Prague: 12 hrs
- Rome: 20 hrs
- Venice: 16 hrs
- Vienna: 12 hrs