

- SUMMER 2016 Barcelona, Paris, London, Berlin, Prague, Vienna, Budapest (all in one program!)

## WHAT TO EXPECT:

This summer, we will once again set off on an **academic journey** to explore Europe, visiting Barcelona, Paris, London, Berlin, Prague, Vienna and Budapest (all in one program!). Using the unique European location, we seek to carefully integrate real-world experiences back into the classroom. Students will engage in cultural and **professional visits** in each city we visit, and our professors will help students to better understand how current events are inter-related with our course materials.

In each city we visit, students will have classes with local professors, meet local tour guides, and engage with local citizens. Depending on the course they select, students may be sent on assignments to interview local people about current issues or cultural perceptions, and then will return to the classroom to debate and discuss, and to have that experience integrated back into the classroom discussions.

# PROGRAM:

We have a very unique program design. Not only do students travel on our program, but that very act of traveling is an integral and essential part of the very classes that they are taking. Not only to students get to see a broad overview of Europe by traveling to so many places, but they get to do so in the company of like-minded students, all the while guided by a Summit staff and professors who are dedicated to helping students to make the most of that experience.









Summit Study Abroad is not just a chance to travel across Europe in the summertime, but is an **investment in your academic and professional development** to better understand the vital role that Europe (and Europeans) play in the modern global economy. By coming abroad with Summit, students will gain a broad overview of European culture, economy, society, business, and politics (and will have an incredible time while doing so!).

# Admission Requirements:

- All majors welcome!
- 18 years old at the start of our program
- Completed at least one semester of university
- Enrolled in university (or recently graduated). Both Undergraduate and Graduate students are welcome to apply.
- 2.2 Grade Point Average (GPA) 77/100 for international students.
- Students with a lower GPA should submit an additional letter of reference, preferably from a professor, along with a brief letter explaining the circumstances of the lower GPA.

### COURSES

Students can choose up to two <u>courses</u>, for a total of six semester credits:

- INT 320: Global Studies: Debates, Trends and Current Issues in the International Political Economy
- BUS 328: International Business
- COM 320: Communications Cross Cultural Communications
- EUR 324: Introduction to the European Union
- And more course options

Many more course options. See our website www.SummitStudyAbroad.com for details.







#### **DATES & OPTIONS:**

- We have many options to choose from. The Summit program is designed so that students can join at different dates (depending on their summer schedule).
- Start date options: Barcelona (June 9th or 11th), or in London (July 1st)
- End dates: Many options (see below)

### UNIQUE PROGRAM DESIGN:

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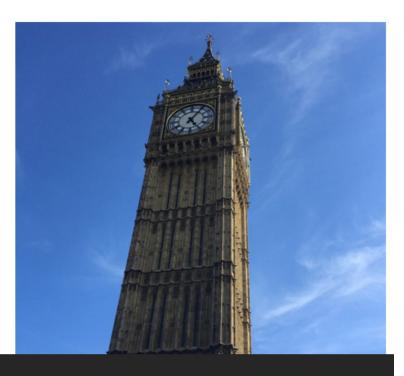


# MAIN SESSION:

- Take two courses (6 credits), with a concentration of your first class completed in Barcelona, and the concentration of the second course in Prague
- Session BCN-PRA 01: June 9th (or June 11th) -July 27th, 2016: Barcelona, Paris, London, Berlin, Prague
- Session BCN-PRA 02: June 9th (or June 11th) -August 2nd, 2016: Barcelona, Paris, London, Berlin, Prague, Vienna and Budapest

#### OPTIONAL SHORTER SESSIONS:

- · Are you looking for a shorter session?
- Or to take just one class?
- Please see our other options:(listed below)





# - SUMMER 2016

### GLOBAL SUMMIT BARCELONA + PRAGUE

MAIN SESSIONS: (2 courses, 6 credits)

- Session BCN-PRA 01: June 9th (or June 11th) July 27th, 2016: Barcelona, Paris, London, Berlin, Prague
- Session BCN-PRA 02: June 9th (or June 11th) August 2nd, 2016: Barcelona, Paris, London, Berlin, Prague, Vienna and Budapest

### GLOBAL SUMMIT BARCELONA

OPTIONAL SESSIONS: (1 course, 3 credits)

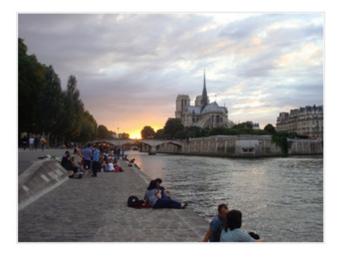
- Session BCN 01: June 9th (or June 11th) July 6th, 2016: Barcelona, Paris. London
- Session BCN 02: June 9th (or June 11th) July 11th, 2016: Barcelona, Paris, London, Berlin
- Session BCN 03: June 9th (or June 11th) July 23rd, 2016: Barcelona, Paris, London, Berlin, Prague
- Session BCN 04: June 9th (or June 11th) Aug 2nd, 2016: Barcelona, Paris, London, Berlin, Prague, Vienna and Budapest

# GLOBAL SUMMIT PRAGUE

OPTIONAL SESSIONS: (1 course, 3 credits)

- Session PRA 01: June 9th (or June 11th) July 27th, 2016: Barcelona, Paris, London, Berlin, Prague
- Session PRA 02: June 9th (or June 11th) Aug 2nd, 2016: Barcelona, Paris, London, Berlin, Prague, Vienna and Budapest
- Session PRA 03: July 1st July 27th, 2016: London, Berlin, Prague
- Session PRA 04: <u>July 1st</u> Aug 2nd, 2016: London, Berlin, Prague, Vienna and Budapest

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
			SESSION BCN-PRA 01,02 students FLY overnight to Barcelona (arrive 9th)	arrival by 11am, OPENING CEREMONY 2pm	BARCELONA - class + visits	FREE WEEKEN - BARCELONA
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
FREE WEEKEND - BARCELONA	BARCELONA - class + visits	BARCELONA - class + visits	BARCELONA - class + visits	BARCELONA - class + visits	BARCELONA - class + visits	PREE WEEKEND OPTIONAL TRAVEL: MADRI / SEVILLE
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
PREE WEEKEND - OPTIONAL TRAVEL: MADRID / SEVILLE	BARCELONA - class + visits	BARCELONA - class + visits	BARCELONA - class + visits	BARCELONA - class + visits	HOUDAY: SAO JOAO	FREE WEEKEN - BARCELONA
26	27	28	29	30	July 1st	2
FREE WEEKEND - BARCELONA	MORNING EXAMS - AFTERNOON TRAVEL PARIS	PARIS - professional and cultural visits	PARIS - EU lectures + visits	PARIS - EU lectures + visits	TRAVEL TO LONDON - Ceremony 4pm	VISIT MORNING / FREE WEEKENI - LONDON
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
FREE WEEKEND - LONDON	LONDON - EU lectures + visits	LONDON - EU lectures + visits	TRAVEL TO BERLIN BY PLANE	BERLIN - class + visits	BERLIN - class + visits	FREE WEEKEN - BERLIN
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
FREE WEEKEND - BERLIN	TRAVEL PRAGUE	PRAGUE - class + visits	PRAGUE - class + visits	PRAGUE - class • visits	PRAGUE - class + visits	FREE WEEKEN - PRAGUE
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
FREE WEEKEND - PRAGUE	PRAGUE - class + visits	PRAGUE - class + visits	PRAGUE - class + visits	PRAGUE - class + visits	PRAGUE - class + visits	FREE WEEKEN - PRAGUE
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
FREE WEEKEND - PRAGUE	PRAGUE - class + visits	PRAGUE - class + visits	01 STUDENTS FLY HOME, 02 STUDENTS TRAVEL VIENNA TO BUDAPEST	BUDAPEST - cultural visits	BUDAPEST - cultural visits	FREE WEEKEN - BUDAPEST
31	1	2	3	4	5	6
FREE WEEKEND - BUDAPEST	EXAMS, GRADUATION CELEBRATION	SESSION 02 STUDENTS FLY HOME				



# Program Highlights:

- 7+ weeks, 7 European cities
- All majors welcome!
- Travel itinerary includes: Barcelona + Paris + London + Berlin + Prague + Vienna + Budapest
- Excellent courses to choose from
- Earn up to 6 academic credits in the summer
- Travel with professors, facilitators, and students
- Visit leading organizations across Europe as we integrate real-world experience back into the classroom



# Top European Universities:

- The Summit programs in Barcelona are hosted by the IQS School of Management, of the Ramon Llull University in Barcelona. While in Prague, the Summit programs are hosted by the University of New York in Prague. While in either of these cities, classes will be held on campus with local professors.
- While traveling between Summit host cities, students will be accompanied by professors, and will have classes in the convention centers at the hotels.
- In 2015 courses were held in the following locations:
- Barcelona: IQS School of Management, of the Ramon Llull University of Barcelona
- Paris: IESEG School of Management, of the Catholic University of Lille
- London: Middlesex University
- Berlin: Hotel conference center
- Prague: University of New York in Prague
- Budapest: Corvinus University of Budapest



















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# Accommodations:

- Accommodations are <u>included</u> in the program <u>prices</u>
- Barcelona: 18 nights, student apartment / hotel
- · Paris: 4 nights, hotel
- · London: 5 nights, hotel
- Berlin: 5 nights, hotel
- Prague: 16 nights, apartment / hotel
- Budapest: 6 nights, hotel

# View the housing online: www.SummitStudyAbroad.com

# Professional + Cultural Visits

- · Companies visited in previous programs include:
- Estrella Damm Factory (beer)
- FC Barcelona Museum
- Codorníu Cava Producers (sparkling wine)
- SEAT (automobiles)
- UNESCO (non-governmental organization)
- German Parliament (Reichstag Building)
- BMW Motorcycle Factory

# Students:

- The average age of our students is approximately 19-23 years old, although recently-graduated and graduate students are also welcome to apply.
- Students can come from any university. Recent students came from across the USA, and from Europe (France, Denmark), Brazil, India, Mexico and more. We have had students from NYU, Miami University, The University of California Berkley, Florida International University, The University of Vermont, University of Iowa, Hofstra, Seton Hall, University of Texas, and more.
- Please see our guide to credit transfers and review the recent list of alumni and the full list of universities. See also our Testimonials page with student reviews.



"There is no doubt that I would recommend the Summit Program. I thought the flow of the program as perfect, not too overwhelming but always something to do. It's important to find that balance in a study abroad program and I think Summit has managed to do so. I truly believe this is one of the best programs out there. Thanks again!" - William Croghan, Miami University



# Prices + Availability:

 To review the program tuition and fees, please visit our prices www.SummitStudyAbroad.com

## Prices include:

- Tuition (up to 6 credits)
- Accommodations
- Health insurance (students from USA only)
- Transportation from city to city as we travel across Europe
- · Transportation to class, and to professional visits
- Transcripts upon successful completion of coursework 3 academic credits per course (6 credits max.)
- Certificate of Participation
- · Opening Ceremony
- Graduation Ceremony
- · And more (as described BELOW)...

#### Pre-Departure Assistance

- Summit Study Abroad is committed to helping both you and your parents feel prepared for your study abroad experience.
- Pre-Departure Packet with information on what to pack, climate, culture shock, local customs, safety, travel suggestions, and much more
- City-specific handbooks include maps, passport and visa information, and staff contact numbers
- Special mailing for parents upon request with specific program and billing information

### **Budgeting assistance**

- Help with budgeting for airfare, additional meals and personal expenses
- · Local tips on how to save money while abroad
- Help setting up your account with a useful online crowd-sourcing fundraising tool

### Credit Transfer (Two courses, up to 6 credits)

 Depending on which session is selected, students can take up to two three-credit academic <u>courses</u>

# Priced Separately:

The following items are not included:

- International Airfare (estimate \$900 round trip from the east coast USA)
- · Passport, visa fees
- · \$40 application fee
- Textbooks (estimate \$100 per class)
- Weekend trips, evening activities, museum entrance fees
- · Food, entertainment, shopping
- COST ESTIMATOR: -- estimated price: See this online cost estimator for Barcelona

## Online Course Syllabi and Descriptions

- Summit Study Abroad recognizes that <u>credit approval</u> is one of the most important steps in your study abroad planning. We give you the tools online to assist in your credit approval process.
- Online course descriptions including language of instruction, recommended credits and contact hours
- Syllabi available for download with more specific information on course curriculum

#### **Onsite Orientation**

- We will provide you a comprehensive orientation with useful insider tips and advice to help you adjust to your new environment.
- Activities to get to know the other students on your program (we will also try to organize events for you to get to know local students as well!)
- Advice on safety and getting around in your new city

And more! Continued on next page...



# **Prices include:** Accommodations, Transportation, and more. See complete list of what is included here

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### Housing

- All accommodations are <u>included</u> in the prices
- LEARN MORE: ACCOMMODATIONS

#### Travel Health Insurance

- All participants coming from the USA will be provided with travel medical insurance from <u>FrontierMEDEX</u>.(TravMed Choice, \$250,000 medical coverage, including an additional Sports Coverage, but with \$250 deductible for students).
- Students coming from other countries (other than the USA) will be given a \$150 discount off of the program cost, and will be asked to provide their own travel and health insurance for the time abroad.
- Upon arriving in Europe, students will be given their health insurance cards with full instructions about health and safety procedures.
- Please see our additional notes about <u>Health & Safety</u>

#### **Tuition and University Registration**

All Summit program prices cover the cost of tuition and basic fees
at the host institution. Before your departure, Summit also offers
you advice on how to ensure proper transfer of the college credits
you will earn abroad. Our Academic Relations Team will work with
you and your school regarding credit transfer.

#### Professional & Cultural visits:

 Students that attend the Summit event in Europe will have many professional visits to European and International companies, which will provide them with a valuable insight into the economy.

# Personalized Advising:

- Our goal is to personally get to know each student, and to offer personalized advising: helping students not only select the best program and courses, but also offering advice about daily life abroad
- · Advising on the credit transfer process at your home university.
- Student visa and immigration information
- Helpful <u>financial aid</u> assistance and planning options.

#### (optional) Airport Reception:

- On the start date of your program, you can request to be greeted at the airport by a friendly Summit representative who will offer you a brief orientation, and help arrange transport you to your accommodations. The cost for this service is \$50 and needs to be arranged at least one week prior to your arrival date. If you are arriving on the same flight (time, date), the fee can be shared among students. This fee does not include transportation costs (taxi) to get to the hotel.
- Please see the program page for information about dates and times available for this service.
- Students selecting this option will guarantee a worry-free start to your Summit Study Abroad program, and added convenience and comfort upon your arrival in an otherwise unfamiliar destination.

#### Resident Staff Support

- In Barcelona and Prague: Local university & Summit staff will be available to address your unique questions and assist you throughout the duration of your program.
- A local perspective on additional travel opportunities and excursions
- Assistance in securing personalized services such as music lessons, sports clubs or volunteer opportunities
- · Help you with any housing or safety issues

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# Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ's)

On this page we will outline some of the most frequent questions that students have asked:

## Application Questions:

Early application Discount:

- How do I qualify for the "early application discount" for the upcoming Summer program in Europe?
- ANSWER: Confirm your attendance by December 18th, 2015
- First step: apply to an upcoming program.
- Second step: pay the \$40 application fee.
- · Third step: Fill out necessary essays, and get approved by Summit.
- Fourth (and final) step: Confirm your attendance by paying the \$500 confirmation deposit payment (here).
   Note: If your \$500 confirmation deposit is received before the cutoff date (for the early application discount), you will qualify for the lower prices.
- · Please see the page "Application Process" for more details

What are the Admission Requirements?:

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  with a brief letter explaining the circumstances of the lower GPA.
- Learn more (here)

#### Will the credits transfer?

Yes, they should. Our partner universities in Europe and in Brazil are some of the best. Please see the our
guide to credit transfer and let us know if you have any questions.

How many students are expected to participate?

Each session has a maximum of international 28 students. Last summer we had 22 students from a mix of
universities across the USA and from around the world.

Has any student from my university attended before?

See the list of students who have attended previous Summit Study Abroad programs. We are proud to say that
our alumni have come from some of the finest universities from around the world!

How selective is the admissions process?

• Since we are a small group (and we all travel together), it is extremely important that we get the "right" students in our program. Is this based on GPA? No! Absolutely not! The student with a perfect 4.0 GPA might be the absolutely wrong candidate for our program (as might the student with a 3.2)! They might not be the right fit for our group, and the unique traveling nature of our programs. So how do we decide? The old-fashioned way: by personally interviewing each candidate and personally evaluating their "fit" (based on interests, openness to new cultures, a willingness to learn and try new things, etc). By the time a student comes abroad with us, they will likely have personally talked with our director, a professor, some of our students, an alumni, an intern, etc.

Application Fee: If I change my mind to do a different program, do I pay the \$40 application fee again?

- No, you do not.
- The \$40 application fee is a one-time fee.
- If you decide to change to a shorter or longer program, the original \$40 application fee covers it.



#### Course Questions:

How many courses can I take?

- . Depending on which session you choose, you can take up to 2 courses (for 6 credits)
- Please visit our courses page to review the options, and let us know if you have any questions.

Can I get help with credit-transfer to my university?

- · Yes! We are here to help!
- First step: visit our credit-transfer page on our website and follow the step-by-step instructions.
- Then, put us in contact with your adviser (or professor), we would be happy to talk with them to see if our
  courses are the right fit for you!

Do I need to learn any languages before going abroad?

- No. The only requirement is that you need to be fluent in English (since all of our courses are conducted in English).
- But, we highly recommend that each student should work on at least <u>one language</u> before coming abroad. For
  example, if you are going to spend 2+ weeks in Barcelona, it might be nice to know a few words in Spanish! If
  you are coming to Paris, we highly recommend learning a little French! For this, we highly recommend all
  students to download this app to their cell phones (its free and easy!): <a href="https://www.duolingo.com/">https://www.duolingo.com/</a>
- In addition, for each country we visit, Summit will help by recommending some simple gestures and etiquette
  vocabulary to get an understanding of the culture.

## Program Questions:

#### How does the Summit Study Abroad program work?:

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weeks in each location, taking courses on campus while living in apartments or student housing. In between
we travel, giving students a chance to see more of Europe, and to take classes with some of the best
professors at great universities in cities like Paris, London and Budapest.

Which Program/ Session should I take?

- First decide how long do you want to be abroad? And, which cities do you want to visit? Then, see our Dates and Sessions
- Then decide how many classes do you want to take abroad? If you want to take 2 courses, then take an option
  that allows you to do so. Ask us if you have any questions.
- If you are taking just one course, then decide between our "Global Summit Barcelona" and our "Global Summit Prague" programs. Different courses are available in different sessions, so choose carefully!

After the program is done, are we allowed to stay longer on our own time?

- Yes you are.
- Many students choose to explore Europe on their own (or with family and friends) before and after the
  program. While this is not officially part of the Summit program, we would be more-than-happy to help you
  choosing places to visit, and with tips about how to get there on your own.

On our free weekends, are we able to travel to a different city / country for a day or two?

- Yes, students are allowed (and encouraged) to take full-advantage of the free weekends.
- On the free weekends, we will recommend a ton of fun activities in the city we are visiting. This might include
  recommended local tours, hikes, museums and more. But you are also welcome to travel to other nearby cities
  (and beaches, mountains, etc), and we will help you with the planning if you like! The only requirement is that
  you tell us where you are going (so we can contact you if your parents are looking for you), and that you return
  in time for class and activities on Monday morning!



If we want to do extracurricular activities, are we allowed?

- · Yes, absolutely! We will help you with this by recommending a ton of fun activities in each city we visit (options include hiking, biking, yoga, beach volleyball, gym memberships, specialized tours, excursions, and more!)
- · We highly encourage students to try new things while traveling!

Will we have free time (outside of class and organized activities)?

- Yes! Our programs are designed so students have time to experience the cities outside of class time.
- . This is especially true for students taking just one course (on any of our longer sessions)

Do we have a curfew to return to the apartments during the weekdays?

. No, there is no curfew. Within our program, the students have to be at least 18 years old (most are 20+), and as adults they are free to come back at any time. We highly recommend not staying out too late, especially when classes are during the weekday.

Accommodations: Where do we stay?

· Please see the accommodations page for the upcoming program

## More Questions?

Answers to MORE of the frequently asked questions can be found here:

- FAQ's Brazil program
- FAQ's European program

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