Study by the Neuschwanstein castle, but only pay BYU tuition!

Is the Student Exchange Program different than Study Abroad?

Yes! The Student Exchange Program (SEP) is an independent international experience. Unlike a traditional study abroad program where a student travels with a BYU professor and a group of BYU students, SEP is individual students immersing themselves with local and international students on a foreign campus for a semester independent of any BYU professor or other BYU students.

SEP is based on reciprocity and provides undergraduate business students with an opportunity to attend Hochschule Pforzheim University, a top business school in Pforzheim, Germany at minimal cost. One of the main benefits of SEP is that students have the opportunity to study at a foreign institution for the cost of studying at BYU and classes are taught in English! Students only need to pay BYU tuition. Approved classes transfer directly to BYU so students will not lose credit or academic momentum by participating in SEP for a semester. For a full list of classes visit the Whitmore Global Management Center in 360 Tanner Building. The only classes that are guaranteed to transfer are business courses.

Pforzheim, Germany

The city of Pforzheim is located in Southwest Germany. It is an important regional economic and cultural center and every day approximately 30,000 commuters converge on the city. The population of the city is almost 119,000. Pforzheim is nicknamed “The Golden City” because of it’s large jewelry and watch making industry. Currently Pforzheim accounts for 80 percent of Germany’s jewelry exports and 70 percent of total jewelry sales. Due to its geographical location as the gateway of the northern Black Forest, Pforzheim is an attractive location for living and the pursuit of outdoor activities.

The city has a wide variety of cultural activities including a city theater, the South-West German Chamber Orchestra, the Osterfeld cultural center, and eleven museums, which partly describe the historical industrial background of the city.

Program Location: Pforzheim, Germany

Program Duration: One or two semesters

Semester Dates (approx.):
Winter: March to July 2014
Fall: October to February 2014 (not available Spring/Summer)

Cost:
• Regular BYU tuition (students will be exempt from Pforzheim tuition)
• $25 application fee
• $325 acceptance fee (includes HTH Worldwide heath insurance)

Application Deadline:
Winter: 11 October 2013
Fall: 21 February 2014

More information:
Visit: http://gmc.byu.edu/exchange or stop by the Whitmore Global Management Center in 360 TNRB.
Pforzheim University
The Business School of Pforzheim University is recognized as one of the best business schools in Germany. It is the first choice among all public universities in Germany for high-achieving, motivated students. Pforzheim University provides a high level of academic education in applied business to prepare students for long-term and successful professional and managerial careers in a dynamic global environment.

Program Details
• More than 20 business classes are offered.
• Many courses feature learning experiences designed to actively involve students with the people, history, arts, attitudes, and traditions of Germany.
• Many courses will count for Marriott School courses and toward the Global Management Certificate.
• While studying in Germany students are encouraged to enhance their educational experience by visiting sites near Pforzheim.
• Visits to cultural sites and other field trips such as museums, cathedrals, monuments, and theaters will enhance students’ study and increase appreciation and understanding of the German culture.

Prerequisites and Course Requirements
• Courses are available in both English and German.
• No German language skills are required.
• Many courses are transferable to the Marriott School.
• Students must complete at least twelve credit hours to maintain full-time student status.
• Students are expected to take a German language course and a German culture or business course.
• All courses must be pre-approved before the trip by the Marriott School’s Whitmore Global Management Center.
• Students are expected to have passed course in Analysts/Calculus, and Introductory statistics.
• For a list of courses available at Pforzheim University, please visit the GMC (360 TNRB).

Where do Students Live?
• Students are responsible for making their own housing arrangements.
• Students may live on campus in dormitories.
• Students may live off campus in an apartment.
• Students may live with a host family.

Preparation for Student Exchange
All students are expected to register through ISP for a one credit, pre-departure preparation class that will be held one night a week during the 2nd Block. Contact William Johnson (360 TNRB) for more information.

What Funding Sources are Available?
• Regular BYU tuition scholarships, Pell grants, and Federal Insured Student Loans may be applied to Student Exchange Programs.
• Students who submit the financial aid section of the International Study Programs (ISP) application and who have a current FAFSA form on file at the Financial Aid office, will be considered for a SEP scholarship awarded through the Kennedy Center.
• Private grants and scholarships outside of BYU may assist: kennedy.byu.edu/student/scholarships.php.

Application Process
• Complete the online application at kennedy.byu.edu/isp/online/app.
• Application deadline: 11 October 2013 (winter), 21 February 2014 (fall)
• Applicants should email ibcareer@byu.edu when application is finished to set up an interview.
• Students from all majors on campus may apply; however, preference is given to business majors and minors.
• ISP and the GMC reserve the right to cancel this program, revise its offerings, or make any adjustments to the preliminary cost estimates due to conditions beyond its control.

How Much Does This SEP Cost?
Students need to pay the $25 ISP application fee. After acceptance into the program, students will be expected to pay a $325 program fee. The fee includes HTH Worldwide health insurance which is mandatory for all students leaving campus. Students will be exempt from Pforzheim tuition, but will still need to pay regular BYU tuition. BYU tuition payment plans and scholarships are still applicable.

Students will be responsible for their airfare to and from Germany, visa fees, ground transportation, accommodations, meals, and any other educational and personal expenses incurred during the program.

Pick your future. Pack your bags.
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