



Open Enrolment Summer Programme

Summer Programme in European Studies

Get ready for the best summer ever! The six-week *Summer Programme in European Studies (SES)* offers you a great European experience while earning credits towards your major. Choose from six courses taught in English and offered by the Center for European Studies (CES) at Maastricht University, one of the highest-ranking universities in the Netherlands. Course topics fit most majors and have a distinct European or international theme.

Maastricht, birthplace of the European Union and situated on the border of the Netherlands, Belgium and Germany, is a picture perfect European town, with layers of history waiting to be discovered in its medieval city centre. Students fall in love with Maastricht's vibrant local culture and enjoy the many art and music festivals that take place throughout the summer. Centrally located in the heart of Europe, the *Summer Programme in European Studies* is an ideal way for students to experience Europe inside and outside the classroom.

Courses with European or international themes

Most courses in the SES programme focus primarily on the economic, political and socio-cultural aspects of Europe; others approach topics from a wider international perspective. Classes can include field trips, museum visits and seminars on location. Discuss the current issues facing the European Union in your Law and Politics class or listen to your Dutch Art History lecture while examining actual artwork in the museum.

The SES programme is divided into two 'block periods' of three weeks each. Students take one course per period for a total of two courses. Each course is worth 6 ECTS, the equivalent of a full semester course (3 American credit hours or 1 'university' credit), although the exact number of US credits depends on arrangements with your home university. Classes have a maximum of 15 students - though many classes are smaller- giving you easy, personal contact with the professor and fellow students.

Block period 1	Block period 2
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Economics of European Integration • Leadership and Management in a Global World • Intercultural Communication 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dutch Art History • Law and Politics: current topics in the European Union • International Management

Travel both with CES and on your own!

Experiencing Europe is a big part of the programme. During your introduction we will travel to Amsterdam, the beautiful and cosmopolitan capital of the Netherlands. With classes four days a week, there are plenty of three-day weekends to explore Europe on your own. Take a short train ride to Brussels, Amsterdam, London or Paris. Catch a low-cost flight from one of seven airports around Maastricht to just about any place in Europe, including Berlin, Prague, Rome or Barcelona!

Programme dates	Summer 2012 29 June - 10 August 2012
For majors in	Suitable for most majors
Introduction	1 week at the start of the programme
Study trip	Day trip to Amsterdam during the introduction
Courses	2 courses - students can choose from 6 courses
Credits	12 ECTS
Application deadline	Summer 2012 15 April 2012

"I truly feel that I grew as a person after my experiences in Maastricht and I would recommend this university and programme to absolutely anybody"

Virginia Bangit - Christopher Newport University

Practical Information

Introduction

The SES programme begins with a one-week introduction before classes start, which includes:

- Airport pickup
- Maastricht University orientation
- Tour of Maastricht and the surrounding area
- Integration into Dutch student life
- 4th of July BBQ
- Mobile phone rental

Amsterdam Day trip

Part of the introduction is a day-trip to Amsterdam, our beautiful capital. See where Anne Frank lived with her family and visit some of the best museums in town. Have a chance to see Rembrandt's Nightwatch and some of Van Gogh's most famous paintings with your own eyes. We will introduce you to Dutch pancakes and take you on a boat tour through the Amsterdam canals. We want to show you the true Amsterdam: a safe city with old world charm, intimate squares, 17th century mansions, canals, and bikes everywhere!

Tuition

The tuition fee includes registration at Maastricht University, two CES courses, all course materials, field trips, the Amsterdam day trip, extensive introduction and all CES services.

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Tuition	€ 1999

Housing

All CES students stay at the International Guesthouse of Maastricht University. P-rooms have a private kitchen and C-rooms have communal cooking facilities; in both buildings bathrooms are shared.

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P-single room	€ 1100
P-double room	€ 764
C-single room	€ 820
C-double room	€ 714



Visa & Residence Permit

You do not need a temporary residence permit (VVR) for stays shorter than 90 days, although you may need a visa (VKV). Citizens of Visa Waiver Program countries (including the US) do not need a visa to enter the Netherlands. Visa costs are not included in the tuition fee. Please refer to the CES website for more information.

Insurance

Every student needs sufficient health care, liability and travel insurance for the duration of their stay. CES can assist you in getting affordable, comprehensive insurance upon request.

Application requirements

CES Open Enrolment programmes are competitive and early application is recommended. Applicants must be in good academic standing, have a minimum GPA of 3.0 and must be proficient in English. Please refer to the CES website for more information and an online application form. Don't hesitate to contact CES with questions. We are happy to help!

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