

European Union Study Tour & Internship Program

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Information for students:-

The European Union Study Tour & Internship Program

12th Annual Study Tour- May 10 to May 30, 2015

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Introduction

The *EU Study Tour and Internship Program* is a unique opportunity for students in a variety of disciplines--business, economics, European politics, international relations, social policy, journalism and culture--to immerse themselves in the European Union institutions. The Study Tour provides you with the opportunity to have “face to face” contact and dialogue with presenters and seminar leaders from the ranks of those actively involved in the day to day work of the EU. Also, you will meet with representatives of other European institutions, diplomatic representations to the EU (including Canada), policy think tanks, and civil society organizations. This experience isn't only “*about the EU*”—it's “*in the EU*!” Each year great effort is made to highlight topics of current relevance to Europe and Canada as well as continue a core program of economic, political, social, and business themes.

After the Study Tour, you have substantial internship opportunities with European institutions, for two to six months duration. Most internship positions commence immediately following the completion of the Study Tour but longer internships may begin later. .

Who we are

The organizers of the *EU Study Tour and Internship Program* are a consortium of Canadian universities, operating as the *Network for European Studies (Canada)*. Academics from Canada's leading EU studies programs and centres have contributed to making the Study Tour and Internship Program positively recognized within the EU and respected by its European and Canadian partners. Members of the *Network* have ensured that the study tour and internship program deliver a high standard of content.

A unique approach to the study of the European Union

With the Study Tour, you will explore the history, institutions, and current issues of the EU through study visits to the major institutions of the European Union. You will travel to Brussels, Luxembourg, and Frankfurt as well as others. . You will join up to 50 students from Canada for three weeks of seminars and presentations. This includes seminars and presentations at the European Commission, the European Parliament, the European Central Bank and the European Court of Justice, to name some familiar EU institutions. Additionally, you will have the exceptional opportunity to receive briefings from and exchange views with representatives of other European organizations such as the Council of Europe and the European Court of Human Rights. You will meet with representatives of European offices of significant international organizations, such as the International Organization for Migration. You will also participate in sessions with significant state and sub-state representatives engaged with the EU: the Canadian Mission to the EU, the Québec Delegation, the Turkish Mission to the EU, the Russian Federation Mission to the EU. You will meet with important non-government organizations:

think tanks and ngo's such as PAYOKE, significant in the international fight against human trafficking. The Study Tour is an excellent educational and career opportunity: it is less a "course" than a learning immersion in European institutions, a program which supports self-directed and independent study.

Language and program sessions

For practical and organizational reasons English is the language of the Study Tour, but knowledge of French is an asset. Furthermore, for a number of internships, excellent knowledge of French is essential.

What is the duration and what will it cost?

The study tour is three weeks, beginning May 10th and ending May 29th with check out on May 30th. The fee for the whole Study Tour period--including transportation between and in European cities, plus all accommodation--will be finalized in November but will be approximately \$3000 if you are a student from a university that is a member of the *Network*; otherwise the cost is an additional \$300. You are responsible for your own transatlantic travel arrangements. Although consumption and needs vary, you can expect to spend \$35 per day on meals and incidentals although the Study Tour provides some meals and receptions. Many universities provide financial aid to their student participants.

Academic credit

The sponsoring university must give academic credit for Study Tour participation—but the *Network* does not involve itself in the process of how the credit will be awarded or how the student is evaluated. You also qualify with a university “reading” or “independent study” course. At the end of the Tour, your faculty sponsor is provided with an individual assessment of the participation of each of his or her students. Faculty use this summary at their sole discretion.



How to apply for the EU Study Tour

Step 1 Each institution is responsible for its own selection procedure. The *Network* requires each sponsoring university to have at least one faculty sponsor/ contact person. For Carleton University the faculty representative is Prof. Joan DeBardleben. (joan.debardeleben@carleton.ca). Each approved applicant is *a student selected by the local faculty sponsor*, followed by submission of a completed application form to the Study Tour administration (the form is found on the web site).

Step 2 The selected student forwards the application to the business office of the Tour with a deposit of \$1000. When received, *the application form becomes the Tour registration form*. From that point on students receive regular information bulletins on the program and operational aspects of the Tour.

Step 3 Students must pay the balance of the Tour fee by approximately April 1, make their personal travel arrangements, read all the bulletins issued by the Tour, and participate in the faculty sponsor's preparation activities.



Internship Applications: Information on internships will be available on the web site on November 30, when the web site is updated for EUST&IP 2015. A list of previous internship positions is on the current web site for your information. www.capilano.ca/europa.

Please send any questions or other communications to the Director:

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Please go to our web site for more detailed information and resources.

The organizers of the EU Study Tour and Internship Program are:

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Conrad King, Associate Director (EU Tour Leader)

The Academic Coordinating Committee, the Network for European Studies (Canada)

Faculty at the 12 to 14 universities associated as sponsors

See web site--section "Contacts"-- for communication connections.

The European Union Study Tour & Internship Program thanks its many partners and supporters for making the Study Tour a substantial success—with special thanks to the European Commission, the Mission of Canada to the EU, the European Parliament, the European Central Bank, the European Court of Justice, other EU institutions and representations, as well as diplomatic missions and non-government organizations.



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