## North Central College D-Term 2016 Study Abroad

# **Greece and Italy** and the European Union

Dr. Robert Moussetis, professor of international business

# **NOVEMBER 29 - DECEMBER 14, 2016**

### **Itinerary:**

Fall Term Weeks 2, 4, 6, 8: Pre-departure sessions Monday, November 28: Pre-departure meeting Tuesday, November 29: Travel to Athens Wednesday, November 30: Arrival in Athens Thursday, December 1: Deree American College visits and lectures Friday, December 2: Visit Delphi and Araxova Saturday, December 3: Island of Aegina Sunday, December 4: Acropolis and Acropolis Museum Monday, December 5: American College Tuesday, December 6: Epidaurus, Mycenae and Nafplio Wednesday, December 7: Free day Thursday, December 8: Travel to Rome Friday, December 9: Lectures at the American University in Rome Saturday, December 10: Vatican Sunday, December 11: Colosseum and Roman Forum Monday, December 12: Florence Tuesday, December 13: Free day Wednesday, December 14: Return to Chicago







Course details subject to change.

#### The Course (GLS 362-D2: Study Abroad in Greece and Italy-BUS)

This course explores the role of Greece and Italy in the European Union. It attempts to identify the regional, political, social, legal and economic dynamics of the region as they relate to both countries. The term "balkanization" was coined in this region to illustrate the complexities and difficulties to proceed with economic, social, political and legal prosperity. The seminar includes topics such as the role of Greece in the regional economy, entrepreneurship and development in the region, Monetary Union, immigration and urbanization and international organizations (NATO, WTO, EU, etc.). In particular the course will explore the relation between Greece and Italy (history, culture, business relations, etc.). Although Greece and Italy fought on opposite sides in World War II, both countries have mutual respect and a shared historical past that shapes both cultures. The course will attempt to explore the present status of the relationship and future prospects. Moreover, the course will compare and contrast the recent financial crisis between Greece and Italy as both are members of the European Union.

#### **Information Session**

Thursday, February 18, 2016: 12:15-1:45 p.m., in Goldspohn 20

#### **Enrollment Instructions**

To enroll in GLS 362-D2, Study Abroad in Greece and Italy-BUS, students are required to:

- Attend the information session and sign in.
- Meet with the faculty leader(s).
- Confer with their academic advisors.
- Complete a green "Add a Course/Instructor Consent" form and have it signed by the appropriate faculty leader.

- Bring the consent form to the Office of International Programs, Abe House, 48 E. Jefferson St., and fill out a brief application.
- Pay \$400 nonrefundable airfare deposit by April 8, 2016.

Note: This course fulfills the ACR-intercultural general education requirement.

#### **Registration Procedure**

The Office of International Programs will enroll each student as each deposit is received. After April 8, students will be placed on a waiting list and notified if spaces become available. Students with the highest number of credits earned at the College will be given first priority. Final registration will appear in the student's Merlin account.

#### **Contact Information**

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#### Initial Deposit due April 8, 2016

#### Scholarships: Deadline February 29, 2016

A limited number of scholarships (up to \$1,000) will be awarded to selected sophomores, juniors and seniors with 3.0 or better GPA and demonstrable financial need. Applications are available in the Office of International Programs and must be submitted by February 29, 2016.

# **Statement of Conditions**

#### 1. Estimated cost and minimum number of participants: \$3,300 based on a minimum of 15 registered students. The course will not

- be offered for less than 10 students. The price includes:
- Airfare: estimated \$1,600
- Program fee, including land expenses and some meals: estimated \$1,700
- Accommodation and meals: Twin accommodations in three-star hotels, breakfast included; some other meals included.

#### 3. Payment schedule:

- \$400 nonrefundable airfare deposit due April 8, 2016.
- Balance of the airfare due no later than September 16, 2016, according to payment schedule determined by the faculty leaders; most deposits will be due during the summer.
- \$500 nonrefundable program fee deposit due October 14, 2016.
- Program fee balance is billed to the student's account in late November as part of the invoice for winter term 2017.
- In addition to these airfare and program fees, tuition for this course will be billed as part of each student's winter 2017 invoice.

#### 4. Cancellation and refund policy:

- Refund schedules for airfares depend on individual airlines; faculty leaders will inform all participants of the relevant deadlines and policies.
- If the student participant drops the course before November 1, 2016, 50 percent of the remaining balance of the program fee will be refunded.
- If the student participant drops the course after November 1, 2016, 100 percent of the program fee is forfeited.

- Exclusions: The following items are NOT included in the fees listed above:
  - Meals other than those included in the itinerary
  - Optional entertainment and excursions
  - Excess baggage charges
  - Personal items, including telephone calls, laundry fees, room service
  - Departure taxes (except U.S.)
  - Passport fees

#### 6. Other matters:

- Proof of a valid passport is due April 29, 2016: EITHER a color copy of the photo ID and signature pages of a passport valid through June 20, 2017, OR a receipt from your passport application.
- All North Central College students are covered under a secondary insurance policy (EIIA) and will be given emergency information and telephone contacts through American International Group international services.
- Every student participant is required to abide by College policies as outlined in the North Central College Student Handbook and by the rules listed on the course syllabus. If, in the judgment of a faculty member leading the course, a student has violated the course rules or College policy as stated in the Student Handbook, the student may be sent home at his or her own expense. In such circumstances, a student's parents may also be notified and additional disciplinary action may be taken by the College upon a student's return to the United States.
- All courses include required pre-departure sessions on campus and at least one follow-up session in January 2017 upon return.
- Final course assignments are due as specified on each course syllabus but no later than week 4 of winter term 2017.