



2011 JANUARY TERM ABROAD

Understanding, Remembering and Memorializing the Holocaust in Germany, The Czech Republic and Poland

January 4-25, 2011

Itinerary

Twin Cities/Chicago Departure	01/04	Warsaw/Lublin	01/16
Munich Arrival	01/05	Lublin/Krakow	01/17
Munich/Linz	01/09	Krakow/Berlin	01/20
Linz/Prague	01/11	Berlin/Chicago/Twin Cities	01/25
Prague/Warsaw	01/14		

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Price: \$4,495 - 4,795*

Students will study the causes and development of the Holocaust by visiting places which played a critical role in the planning and perpetration of the Holocaust. The course will ask students to investigate why people became bystanders, perpetrators, victims, resisters, or rescuers. By reading memoirs and diaries written by survivors, students will get a direct sense of what it meant to live through the period of the Holocaust. In Munich students will concentrate on the origins of the Holocaust in the Bavarian city where Nazism first flourished. In Munich students will also focus on the nature of German resistance to the Holocaust by visiting the memorial site for the White Rose resistance group. At the Obersalzberg Documentation Center students will see how the Nazis created the bigger-than-life persona of Adolf Hitler. In Mauthausen students will experience the dramatic walk down the "Stairway to Heaven," where inmates were forced to carry stones so heavy they often collapsed and never got up again. At Hartheim students will be inside the walls of an institution that imprisoned and then killed handicapped people of all ages. In Auschwitz students will probably be sickened by the reality of looking at gas chambers and crematoria. In Belzec students will see how the Nazis attempted to obliterate all signs of their atrocities before they left the area. In Warsaw students will visit what remains of the Warsaw ghetto and of the old city and realize first hand the incredible devastation wrought by war. In Berlin students will interact with the child of a survivor and get an inside look at the life of German Jews during the time of the Holocaust. In Ravensbruck students will concentrate on what happened to women during the Holocaust. In all of these locations we will also encourage students to notice the setting of where this happened and ask how so many people could ignore what they had to see with their own eyes. In Nuremberg we will focus on the importance of mass psychology in motivating German support for Hitler and study the importance of the Nuremberg Trials in coming

to grips with the atrocities committed by the Nazis. The course will also look at how Holocaust sites have been used in the past and how they currently convey different messages about the understanding of and remembering about the Holocaust. Visits to various memorial sites will show how the focus of whom, what, and how to remember have reflected changing political emphases in each country visited. Through readings, guided tours and explanations by onsite experts, discussions, and written reflection students will gain insight into the history and meaning of the Holocaust. By wrestling with the hows and whys of the Holocaust in places where the memories and reminders about the Holocaust are particularly poignant, students should also come to understand how the study of the Holocaust provides valuable lessons about racism, the abuses of ideology, the importance of tolerance and intercultural awareness in our contemporary world.

Comprehensive Fee Includes: Transportation and course arrangements as indicated, hotel accommodations in twin and triple rooms, continental breakfast daily and eight group dinners. (subject to change)

Prerequisites: The course does not have any academic prerequisites.

Required Readings: Numerous Holocaust memoirs and an historical overview of the Holocaust.

Evaluation:

Participation	30%
Daily Journal Writing	30%
Final Synthesize Essay	40%

*Each home institution may have supplementary fees in addition to the price listed.

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Dr. Wally Lagerwey holds a Ph.D. from Northwestern University and has taught a Holocaust course every year since 1994 (except 1997). He is a Professor of Foreign Languages & Literatures and Director of International Education and has previously taken four student groups to Europe to study the Holocaust. Dr. Lagerwey has also led about 20 previous courses abroad.

Dr. Mary Kay Mulvaney holds a Ph.D. from the University of Illinois at Chicago and has co-taught this course twice previously. She is a Professor of English and Director of the Elmhurst College Honors Program with an expertise in memoir writing. Dr. Mulvaney has taught numerous courses abroad.





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RULES AND PROCEDURES

NEW ORIENTATION PROCESS. SEE COURSE ORIENTATION SECTION BELOW.

Since 1964, UMAIE has offered unique opportunities for cross-cultural study during January Term and starting in 2005, May/June Term. UMAIE, a consortium of colleges and universities, cooperates to provide the educational depth and resources necessary for an intercultural curriculum.

This year UMAIE offers courses in many locations around the world including: The Americas (North), Europe (Western, Central, Eastern, Northern and Southern), India, South Africa and Turkey.

APPLICATION AND REQUIRED DOCUMENTS — Applications and required documents are available via the UMAIE website (www.umaie.org). Applications are accepted between **April 16 - October 4, 2010**. When applying for a course, please submit the following to your campus UMAIE Board Member:

- Three copies of your completed application.
- One copy of your valid passport photo & signature page OR if you do not have a passport, a copy of your passport application. (Actual submittal of your passport application to a passport agency is not required until acceptance into a course. Please visit <http://travel.state.gov/passport/>.)
- One copy of your January Term Abroad Agreement.
- One copy of your unofficial transcript.
- One deposit check in the amount of **\$400** made payable to **Seminars International, Inc.** (All checks will be cashed upon receipt. Returned checks will be assessed a service charge of **\$50**.)

*UST students please see your study abroad website (www.stthomas.edu/studyabroad) for application procedures.

No application will be considered without **ALL** the required signed documents, copies and deposit as listed above. If you have any questions please contact your campus UMAIE Board Member.

SELECTION PROCESS FOR APPLICANTS — Faculty Directors will review and screen each application to ensure all prerequisites are met, and that equal access is given to students from all consortium schools. **For applications received by April 16th, the UMAIE Secretariat will notify each participant via e-mail by May 7, 2010**, to inform if applicant is: 1) accepted into the course; 2) on a waiting list; 3) not accepted into the course. Please be aware that if you are placed on a waiting list, your deposit check will still be cashed upon receipt. In the event a course is filled or cancelled due to low enrollment, students are contacted regarding a second choice. Students who choose not to transfer to another course will receive a full refund. **LATE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.**

PASSPORTS, VISAS AND IMMUNIZATIONS — All applicants must send a copy of a valid and signed passport to their campus UMAIE Board Member upon acceptance into a UMAIE course (if one was not turned in with application). **Passports must be valid at least six (6) months beyond your return date.**

If your course requires a visa it will be stated in the course description. A country specific visa application will be sent to you 1-2 months prior to departure.

Information regarding recommended and/or needed immunizations can be found at the CDC website: www.cdc.gov/travel/. If you are traveling to a destination that requires an immunization, the UMAIE Secretariat will inform you in a timely manner. Additional information regarding passports, visas and immunizations is available from your campus UMAIE Board Member.

COMPREHENSIVE FEE — Per person course prices are based on a minimum enrollment for each course. Every effort is made to operate the program at the stated price range. However, if fewer students enroll, costs may be increased or the course cancelled. **NOTE:** UMAIE reserves the right to adjust prices due to dollar devaluation, fuel surcharges and general inflation.

The comprehensive fee includes round-trip air transportation from Minneapolis-St. Paul to the course location; airport transfers; visas (where required for U.S. citizens who meet the visa application deadline and have the correct accompanying documentation); transportation to most course activities while abroad; lodging, primarily in twin or triple rooms in hotels, pensions, university dormitories, or family homes (where indicated); continental

breakfast daily (exceptions noted on individual course descriptions) and other meals as indicated; tickets for required cultural performances; planned excursions; and administrative costs (however, individual institutions may assess additional charges). **When rail passes or entrance fees are included, they are based on the utilization of youth rates (25 years or under), and a valid University ID will be required to be presented at the entrance. Any additional amount incurred will be the participant's responsibility.**

EXCLUSIONS — Personal expenses are the responsibility of each individual participant. Examples include but are not limited to: passport fees; airline checked baggage fees; excess baggage fees; local public transportation; departure taxes (except U.S.); optional entertainment and excursions; beverages, including those available at group meals; individual room service charges; travel insurance; porter's fees; laundry and dry cleaning; telephone and fax; personal gratuities; transportation to and from the course departure city.

FINAL PAYMENT — Accepted applicants are notified of the final price during the last week of October. Students at Gustavus Adolphus College will bring their final payment to their International Education Office on or before Monday, November 1. Students from Elmhurst College will bring their final payment to their Student Accounts Office before Monday, November 1. Students from all other institutions will have their fees billed to their student account.

WITHDRAWALS AND REFUNDS

- No cancellation fee for students withdrawing on or before **September 15, 2010**.
- A **\$400** cancellation fee is withheld for students who withdraw between **September 16 and November 1, 2010**.
- A refund for cancellations occurring after **November 1, 2010** is based upon recoverable costs. The **ENTIRE COURSE COST** may be forfeited.
- **If cancellation occurs 30 days or less prior to departure, there will be no refund. Trip cancellation insurance is recommended for students with pre-existing medical conditions.** This insurance must be purchased at the time of registration. Please discuss this with your UMAIE Campus Board Member.
- If a course price increases by more than 6% (due to general inflation or lower enrollment) a student may cancel without penalty.
- No refund is given to students who wish to omit portions of the course.
- **NOTICE OF CANCELLATION MUST BE SUBMITTED IN WRITING TO YOUR CAMPUS UMAIE BOARD MEMBER.**

TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS — are secured by Seminars International, Inc., 33 West Monroe Street, Suite 1160, Chicago, IL 60603-5303, (800) 541-7506, TRAVEL@semint.com. Applications are processed by the Minnesota office, 21530 Vernon Avenue, Prior Lake, MN 55372, (952) 440-1338, kathy@semint.com. Participants desiring additional information may contact Seminars International Inc., or visit their website - www.semint.com.

COURSE ORIENTATION — will include an on-line exam during the month of October; a webinar on-line meeting in November and an in-country orientation session upon arrival at your first destination. **PARTICIPATION IS MANDATORY.**

DEVIATIONS — Course prices are based on group air arrangements. The air carrier may assess a service fee for individual changes. Not all airlines allow deviations on group reservations. In addition to the airline service fee(s), an additional fee must be paid to Seminars International, Inc. as follows: before **October 4, 2010 the charge is \$75; from October 5, 2010 until November 1, 2010 the charge is \$125. After November 1, 2010, no deviations will be accepted.** Deviation requests must be made in writing to the Chicago Seminars International office via fax (312) 332-5509 or email TRAVEL@semint.com. Once the deviation has been booked, any changes may incur additional costs. Students who deviate are responsible for providing their own transportation to or from the actual course location abroad.

Faculty Directors are not expected to provide assistance. Students from Augustana College and Elmhurst College will receive further information on possible connecting flights upon acceptance.

UMAIE MAY CANCEL COURSES DUE TO:

- Low enrollment
- Faculty withdrawal
- Travel warnings issued by the U.S. Department of State

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