## About the program

This study abroad program offers you the opportunity to take a 3-credit hour summer class at Goethe-University in Frankfurt, Germany. A series of predeparture workshops will prepare you before we leave. Once there, we will meet with German students in a truly globalized and unique learning experience.

While you receive credits from UTSA, you will be part of an intercultural class room. American and German students come together to study world politics and globalization. This is a great opportunity to take your theories of world politics and put them into practice!

While abroad, we will have two 90-minute sessions every day. In addition to class, field trips & excursions will be offered to make the most of the time in Germany. You will also be able to explore Frankfurt on your own!



#### Experience of studying abroad

Participating in a study-abroad program is a lifechanging experience. It is an incredibly valuable experience, because it allows you to expand your horizons - in more than one way. Traveling by itself can be an enriching experience, but in this program you will get the opportunity to attend a German university, interact with German students and professors, and learn about international relations from another perspective.

Globalization no longer remains abstract but you will immediately experience it firsthand! This creates a wide range of future career options for you - your study abroad experience will be a great asset in your resume. Friendships that last a lifetime might be created, both with other UTSA students and with German students. Since the study-abroad will entirely be conducted in the summer semester, it will not affect your study plans! "Travel and change of place impart new vigor to the mind." -Seneca the Younger



The program will take place from July 24<sup>th</sup> to August 4<sup>th</sup> 2017 and will be delivered in English

# Have questions?

If you would like more information or have specific questions about the course, program or trip, please contact:

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# Study Abroad to Germany

Summer 2017 (L Term)

**GLA/POL 4853** 

July 24th to August 4th 2017



#### About the Goethe-University

Goethe-University is positioned among the top international research universities and offers a stimulating environment for learning. The Political Science Department is considered as one of the best in Germany, featuring more than 20 professors and offering degrees in international relations, political theory, and peace and conflict studies. The cosmopolitan nature of the city is reflected in the diverse body of students pursuing their degrees at Goethe-University, Frankfurt! The campus is featured as one of the most beautiful places to study in Europe but come see yourself!



#### About the course

We are more connected than ever and events in distant localities shape what is going on in the U.S. and vice versa. Never before did we see such large flows of ideas, information, and investments across borders. Never before did goods and people travel the world so easily. Never before were we so privileged and yet so vulnerable to global dynamics at the same time.

This is a 3-credit hour course that will explore the theme of globalization in a comparative perspective between the USA and Germany. Class themes will include issues of transatlantic relations such as NATO, climate change, TTIP, and many more. There is no better place to study these things than abroad! Take advantage of this course and engage in fascinating and informative discussions that can help prepare you to make a difference in a globalized world! Meet new friends and earn credits toward your degree while you explore one of the most exciting cities in Germany!

### **Travel Costs**

Below is a breakdown of estimate costs. There is no extra enrollment or tuition fees for this class. You may not get a chance to go to the heart of Europe and stay for two weeks for so little money!

Accommodations will be on-campus or close to Goethe University. Students will be responsible for choosing their own itinerary or can join the faculty when travelling. Study abroad and insurance fees are mandatory for all UTSA students studying abroad and cover all medical emergencies while there. Students will be responsible for their own food expenses and obtaining public transportation passes.

The accommodation below will cover you for two weeks from Saturday, July 22<sup>nd</sup> to Saturday, August 5<sup>th</sup>.

ITEM	ESTIMATED COST	DUE DATE
ROUND TRIP (SAN ANTONIO - FRANKFURT)	\$1,400.00	March 2017
ACCOMMODATION	\$300.00	March 2017
UTSA STUDY ABROAD FEES & HEALTH INSURANCE	\$180.00	May 2017
FOOD (SELF- SUPPLIED)	\$300.00	on-site
PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION (BUS, TRAM, U-BAHN)	\$80.00	on-site
	TOTAL \$2,460.00	



#### Funding opportunities

The Political Science and Geography Department aims to provide partial travel grants for participating students. Contingent upon availability of funds from outside agencies such as the German Academic Exchange Service, applications for travel support will be solicited.

In addition, there are many other opportunities to apply for funding on the individual level. Students are encouraged to take advantage of them. Here is a list of opportunities you should consider:

- Department of Political Science & Geography Study Abroad Scholarship
- International Education Fund
- David Bowen Memorial Endowment
- Phi Kappa Phi Grant

We provide more information on these opportunities in time. We also encourage students to visit the International Programs website (<u>international.utsa.edu</u>) or contact the Financial Aid office for more information.



# Next steps

Going abroad takes a lot of preparation and we are here to help you. Being a native German, Dr. Matthias Hofferberth will provide a series of pre-departure workshops. There will also be additional workshops offered by the International Programs Office to cover all legal and practical questions as well as get you ready!

Should you be interested in the program, get in touch with Dr. Hofferberth & sign up for more information.