

CHID Greece: Ioannina

Ioannina, Greece

Program Terms: Spring Quarter

Dates / Deadlines:

There are currently no active application cycles for this program.

Fact Sheet:

Primary Language(s) of Instruction:	English	Courses available in English?:	Yes
Field of Interest:	Humanities, International Studies, Social Sciences	Affiliated Department:	CHID
Program Type:	Faculty-led Program		

Program Description:

Comparative History of Ideas Greece: Ioannina

Location: Ioannina, Northern Greece

Department: Comparative History of Ideas

Dates: April 1 - June 7, 2013

Estimated Program Fee: \$6,000

Credits: 15

Program Director: Taso Lagos

Study Abroad Advisor: Lauren Easterling

Application Deadline: February 5, 2013 - Deadline extended

Information Session(s): October 11, October 18 and October 25 at 4:30PM in C-101 Padelford Hall



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION:

Greece has one of the longest records of continuity in world history. Its earliest history was thought to be myth until archaeologists discovered the physical evidence of the city of Troy that was immortalized in the stories of Homer. Although that highly specialized culture was destroyed, it re-emerged to produce the equally brilliant culture of Athens, Sparta, and more than another 1000 city-states. It was incorporated into a larger kingdom by Philip II of Macedon and his son, Alexander, whose culture continued until the success of the Romans, and then again revived when Rome fell to become the Byzantine Empire. After it was absorbed by the Ottoman Empire, Greece resurfaced yet again with assistance from outside cultures, and became a modern, independent state in 1821. Currently, its monetary crisis puts the world economy in dire circumstances. This is the nine thousand years of history that you will explore.

As a student on this program, your perspective will be from the city of Ioannina, in the northwest of Greece. With a population of some 100,000, Ioannina is large enough to support a major university, but small enough that American students still find the place and people approachable. In the centuries since it was first documented circa 800 AD, Ioannina has become an important town and flourished economically.

There are two occasions for wider travel. The first is the week of Greek Easter [May 1 to May 10] when there are no classes at the University. Students may continue to lodge in their dormitory rooms or they may travel

independently with their own resources. There are local trips on Wednesdays and longer trips on Fridays, including: the Ioannina Municipal Museum, Parga, Nicopolis, Necropolis, Dodoni, the Ioannina Mosque and Museum, Lake Monastery, Vergina, Thessaloniki, Corfu, Lefkada, Meteora, and Parga, as well as a day trip to the nearby Albanian University of Gjirokaster, where you can experience a different perspective on regional tensions.

The second occasion is a final tour at the end of the term that will take you to such overwhelming sites as Delphi, the oracle of Apollo and one of the most beautiful sites in the world, the home of Agamemnon at Mycenae or Corinth the shipping magnate of antiquity, the site of the original Olympic Games in Olympia, then Sparta, Nafplion, the spectacular theater of Epidavros, Tolo, and then two days in Athens where we visit the Acropolis, the New Acropolis Museum, the Agora and conclude with a closing night meal in Theseio.



LOCATION:

Ioannina, Greece

Site(s):

You will arrange your own travel to Athens, where they will meet and travel to Ioannina together.

You will stay in dormitories at the University of Ioannina, where 3 meals per day (+ weekends and holidays) are included in the program fee. Previous participants describe them as outstanding--so outstanding that the UOI will collect a refundable damage deposit from each student for security on the room. Students who maintain their own living spaces will obtain a refund for this deposit. You will be joined by other students from other parts of the globe for a truly international experience.

Ioannina is also the site of important historical developments that are relevant to the academic content of the program. It was the seat of power for Ali Pasha, one of the most significant Ottoman rulers, and is the largest city in Epirus, a region over which sovereignty is still contested by some Albanians and Greeks.

Reminders of the past are abundant both in the city and the surrounding region, which features physically attractive interplay among mountains, canyons and valleys. It is also rich in tokens of the long history: at Dodona, for example, ancient Greeks learned the wisdom of Zeus from his sacred oak. Weekly group excursions will reveal not only the beauty but also the importance of the surrounding region. And because the weekly excursions provide firsthand examples of the topics in the Greek Culture class, they are an important element of the overall of the Ioannina program. Participants in the program regularly describe these excursions as extraordinarily fascinating and enlightening, as well as a highlight of the program.

An online photo album from the 2006 program is available at:

<http://s55.photobucket.com/albums/g159/uwgreece2006/>

Housing:

Student Dormitories at the University of Ioannina

During Greek Easter [May 1 - 10] there are no classes at the University. Students may remain in the dorms, or travel independently. Classes resume on Monday, May 13, 2013.



ACADEMICS:

Pre-Requisites/Language Requirements:

There are no prerequisites for the Ioannina program. As for selection criteria, we go by an individual basis – whether the candidate is suitable and/or will get the most out of the program.

Credits:

15

Courses:

EURO 111 Modern Greek Language (5)

Introduction to the Modern Greek Language. On previous programs, students who applied themselves seriously to this course were prepared to take intensive Greek on their return to UW. Students who already have taken JSIS 111 may enroll in a more advanced class in Ioannina.

EURO 399 Greek Culture (5)

Taught by a selection of instructors from the University of Ioannina and members of the local community, this class introduces students to a range of aspects of Greek culture, from its ancient foundations to its current status as a member of the European Union. It will be divided into 3 modules: Ancient, Byzantine and Modern Greece, with one or two instructors facilitating each module. Students may request a "W" credit for this class.

CHID 471 Regional Tensions: Greece and Albania During the Age of Nationalism (5)

Examines political and social relations among Greek and Albanian people. Students will learn about histories of competing territorial claims in Northwest Greece and Albania, about current immigration issues between the two countries, and how these issues express more general themes of nationalism, ethnicity and sovereignty. This class includes an overnight trip to the University of Gjirokaster in Albania, so that we can discuss these issues with Albanian students.

PROGRAM LEADERS:

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PROGRAM EXPENSES:

Estimated Cost:

\$6,000 This does not include the Study Abroad Fee (\$300), airfare, food (about \$37/day), Study Abroad Insurance (\$37/month) and personal spending money.

Average Airplane Ticket Price:

\$1,500* roundtrip *Subject to when & where you buy your ticket

Payment Schedule:

Program fees will be posted to your MyUW student account and can be paid the same way that you pay tuition and other fees. A \$350 non-refundable program deposit and \$300 non-refundable Study Abroad Fee will be charged to your MyUW Account once your signed contract has been received by the Study Abroad Office.

Payment Type	Payment Amount	Payment Due Date
Non-Refundable Program Deposit	\$350	Charged Upon Receipt of Contract
Non-Refundable Study Abroad Fee	\$300	4/12/2013
Program Fee Balance	\$5,650	4/12/2013
TOTAL FEES CHARGED	\$6,300	-

Orientation

To be eligible to study abroad, all program participants must attend an in-person pre-departure orientation facilitated by the Study Abroad office as well as your program-specific orientations, offered by your program director.

You must register for orientation through your online study abroad account in order to attend scheduled orientations. You can visit the [Orientation section](#) of our website to view the current orientation schedule.

Orientation must be completed prior to the enrollment deadline for the quarter that you are studying abroad.

The program specific orientations will be as follows:

Jan. 8th – 1:30 to 2:30pm – Continental Greek Restaurant

Jan. 22nd – 1:30 to 3:00pm – Thomson 317

Feb. 5th – 1:30 to 3:30pm – Thomson 317

Feb. 26th – 1:30 to 3:30pm – Thomson 317

Mar. 12th – 1:30 to 2:30 – Continental Greek Restaurant

Financial Aid and Scholarships:

Most forms of financial aid can be applied to study abroad. You can verify that your financial aid award will apply to your program costs by contacting the Financial Aid Office. Financial aid or scholarships awarded as tuition waivers or tuition exemptions may not apply so you will need to verify that these funds are eligible

for use with study abroad by contacting the funding office.

Please remember that financial aid and most scholarships will be disbursed according to the UW academic calendar (at the beginning of the quarter). If your program starts before the start of the UW quarter, your financial aid will not be available to you until after you have left the country. If your program starts after the first day of the quarter, your financial aid will be disbursed on the first day of the program. In either of these cases, you will have to finance any upfront costs such as airfare and health insurance and the start of your time abroad on your own. Please take this into consideration when you plan your foreign study.

Please visit the [Finances section](#) of our website to learn more about disbursement, revising your aid package, short-term loans and scholarships.

Application Process

The application includes a Personal Statement, 3 short answer questions, 2 Faculty recommendations and electronic signature documents related to University policies and expectations for study abroad. Following the on-line application process students may be contacted by the Program Director for an in-person interview. Once admissions decisions have been regarding your application, you will be notified by the study abroad system via email.

Withdrawals

The \$350 program deposit and \$300 Study Abroad Fee are **non-refundable**. Students withdrawing from a program will be responsible for paying a percentage of the program fee depending on the date of withdrawal. More details about the withdrawal policy will be included in your payment contract. No part of the program fee is refundable once the program has begun. The date of withdrawal is considered the date (business day) a withdrawal form is received by the Study Abroad Office. Notice of withdrawal from the program must be made in writing, completing the following steps:

1. Provide notice in writing to the program director that you will no longer be participating in the program for which you have signed a contract and accepted a slot.
2. Submit a signed withdrawal form to the Study Abroad Office, 459 Schmitz Hall.

Please visit the [Withdrawals section](#) of our website for more information.