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TRAVEL-STUDY PROGRAMS



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CYPRUS BY WAY



Start your Mediterranean experience in Greece, where you'll spend four days in Athens and the Island of Santorini before continuing on to Cyprus! **The round-trip flight from Athens to Cyprus is included in your program fee!**

travel.

- Four-day, three-night trip to Athens and the Greek Island of Santorini
- Three-day, two-night trip to Ayia Napa
- Catamaran full-day boat excursion
- Full-day safari on the Akamas Peninsula
- Day trip to Omodos village for olive tasting
- Nicosia city tour
- Day trip to Limassol

study.

- All students enroll in Comparative Literature 100A (*Nations, Regions, and Beyond: Greece and Cyprus*)
- Choose one of the other 4.0 quarter unit courses offered (8.0 units total)

live.

- Accommodations within walking distance of campus
- Shared two-person, two-bedroom apartments with AC, kitchen, and bathroom
- Lunch included Monday – Friday
- Meals included during weekend excursions
- Farewell dinner party

HIGHLIGHTS

This program is well-suited for students interested in experiencing life in the Mediterranean and the historical and literary significance of Greece and its surrounding islands.

Recently accepted into the European Union, Cyprus also offers interesting perspectives for students interested in Political Science or Sociology.

- Open to students of all majors in good academic standing
- All courses taught by expert local faculty from Cyprus
- On-campus experience (live like a local student in dorms)

As you experience Greece through relevant readings from your required Literature course, you'll build a foundation for understanding Cyprus's diverse history and how it relates to its unique position in the Mediterranean Sea. Then continue your journey to Cyprus, your home base for four weeks, where you'll experience the rich Cypriot culture, ancient archaeological wonders, pristine waters, beautiful castles, a Roman Amphitheater, and even a safari adventure!

INCLUDED TRIPS:

EXPERIENCE ATHENS AND THE ISLAND OF SANTORINI (4 DAYS, 3 NIGHTS)

You'll arrive in Athens from the United States, where you'll tour the historic city center and Akropolis Museum. The next day you'll venture to the beautiful Mediterranean Sea, where you'll travel by high-speed boat to the island of Santorini for two nights to experience the famous volcanic island and the Akrotiri archaeological site.

TAKE AN EXCURSION TO AYIA NAPA (3 DAYS, 2 NIGHTS)

For this two-night excursion you'll visit the south coast of Cyprus, famous for its sandy beaches. You may even catch a glimpse of the mythical Ayia Napa Sea Monster, reported to live in the bay and resemble a cross between a porpoise and a dragon!

ENJOY THE MEDITERRANEAN ON A CATAMARAN CRUISE

On this day-long excursion, you'll enjoy a cruise on clear, blue waters. Sail towards areas such as Famagusta Bay, Green Bay, Konnos Bay, Cape Greco, and Protaras. *Why not take some time to swim or snorkel in the Mediterranean?*

SAFARI ADVENTURE ON THE AKAMAS PENINSULA

On this excursion, discover the spectacular coastline of the Akamas Peninsula, located at the northwestern tip of Cyprus. Hop on Land Rovers to discover picturesque villages and fertile areas where Cypriot plantations and vineyards thrive. A treasure awaits you in Latchi, home to the famous Baths of Aphrodite, where you'll savor the stunning view of turquoise waters in the most beautiful and secluded area of Fontana Amorosa.

ENJOY A TRADITIONAL CYPRUS VILLAGE - OMODOS

As part of this day-long excursion, you'll see two of Cyprus's most important industries: olive oil and wine. On your way to Omodos, tour an authentic olive workshop to taste olives and oil, and a traditional winery to learn about the craft of winemaking. At the village of Omodos, visit the Monastery of the Holy Cross and wander the narrow stone streets of this ancient village.

TAKE A TOUR OF THE CAPITAL NICOSIA

Spend a day touring the new and old part of the city, from the modern shops on Makarios Avenue to the cobbled streets and open air cafes of Laiki Yitonia. Enjoy a trip to the archaeological museum, the Cathedral of St. John, and the walls surrounding the Old City.

A DAY TRIP TO LIMASSOL

This day trip takes you back in time with a visit to the Old City and the Curium Amphitheater. *You'll even have time for an afternoon swim in the beautiful coastal waters.*



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study

Required Course

NATIONS, REGIONS, AND BEYOND: GREECE AND CYPRUS

Comparative Literature 100A (4 units)
(Fulfills UCI GE Requirement VIII)

Through a combination of literary genres, this course explores the relationship between place and inspiration with a focus on Greece and Cyprus. 'Place' is meant as geographical location mediated by politics, and 'inspiration' as the imaginative process that reconciles the complex dimensions of lived experience. The course opens with a look at literary incarnations of Athens, whose illustrious history and classical heritage have drawn some of the greatest minds, from Lord Byron to Sigmund Freud, and from Mark Twain to Gustav Flaubert. After a brief literary stopover in Santorini, the course moves to an in-depth survey of the contemporary literatures of Cyprus. The course undertakes to represent the diverse communities of the island, as well as its visitors, and its diasporic subjects (living and writing abroad). The writing includes poetry and fiction but also the literary and autobiographical impressions of expatriate Cypriots, visitors, and foreign residents. With particular attention on 20th century and contemporary writing, the course explores themes of war, peace, ethnic division and unity, gender, and sexual choice as these emerge in the many literatures of Cyprus. The literature will be complemented with critical readings that will help students gain theoretical insights on the issues affecting every facet of the island's history and its peoples. *Instructor: Stavros Karayanni, PhD.*



Literature
illuminating the
origin of Western
civilization as well as
contemporary
voices of
the region



Choose one:

POLITICS OF THE EUROPEAN INTEGRATION PROCESS

Political Science 149 (4 units)

Cyprus, having been integrated into the EU in 2004, provides the ideal backdrop for studying concepts surrounding the European integration process. This course will familiarize you with the historical development of European integration and the theoretical debates of regional integration, and ultimately provide you with the basis for understanding future European Union enlargement. You also address some of the main debates regarding the future of Europe, touching upon the European Convention and the role of the nation-state. *Instructor: Christos Kassimeris, PhD.*

SOCIAL AND CULTURAL ASPECTS OF MODERN EUROPE

Sociology 159 (4 units)

Through this course, you will be provided with insight into the social structure of the member states of the European Union. At the same time, the course focuses on the increasingly multicultural character of European societies and aims to sensitize you to the various issues related to multiculturalism. The course will analyze the social complexity of modern Europe using a critical sociological lens, and investigate the European social institutions from a cross-cultural perspective in order to assess similarities and differences. *Instructor: Marios Vryonides, PhD.*

The European University Cyprus invites you to experience the culture and local history of this ancient Mediterranean island. In Cyprus's capital city of Nicosia, known for its fine museums and commercial importance, experience the unique local flavor – a delicious fusion of Greek and Turkish cuisines, with twists on well-known dishes. Come discover what it's like to live and eat in one of the world's oldest cities!

A crossroads
between east and
west, a modern
society with still-
apparent
agrarian
roots

