

**Wang Center for
Global Education**

**Department of
Languages & Literatures**

“Life in the southwest corner of Germany: hot, humid, green, and wonderful. For the last month I have been living in Freiburg and getting ready to study at IES; I'm already totally in love with my new home, the gateway to western Europe, which somehow manages to come off as a quaint university town as well as a bustling cosmopolitan city.”

Josh Hammerling
PLU student
IES Freiburg, Germany —
*Language & Area Studies
Program*
Academic Year 2009-2010



Photo taken by Josh Hammerling

SCHOLARSHIPS

Please talk with a German faculty advisor or Wang Center advisor for more information. Scholarships available include: IES Abroad, CIEE, DAAD, and Wang Center Global Scholar Awards.

Study Away MAP

Major Advising Plan

Study Away for German Majors & Minors

From the PLU German Faculty

Living and studying in a German-speaking country is by far the best way to achieve language fluency and insights into the cultures and history of this dynamic and influential corner of Europe. We advise students of German language and culture about a number of exciting opportunities in Germany and Austria in German- and English-language programs, whether you're looking into shorter study away programs for J-term or during the summer, or in longer stays such as semester- or year-long courses of study at a German university. Let us know your interests, and we'll direct you to the program that's right for you!

PROGRAM SUGGESTIONS FOR GERMAN MAJORS & MINORS

PLU J-term Program:

Germany — *Language & Culture in the New Germany (4-credit course)*

The course focuses on intensive German language instruction, as well as art, architecture, religion, history, music, and theater. Home stays in Berlin enhance the experience, as do excursions to various cities including the former East Germany. GERM 231/331, departmental credit.

PLU Approved Programs:

IES Abroad Berlin, Germany — *Language & Area Studies Program*

Eligibility: 4 semesters of college-level German

This program offers coursework taught in German by German faculty, as well as access to classes at a number of Berlin universities, including the renowned Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin.

IES Abroad Freiburg, Germany — *Language & Area Studies Program*

Eligibility: 4 semesters of college-level German

IES Abroad courses are taught in German by distinguished local faculty. As fully-matriculated students of the Albert-Ludwigs-Universität, students have the option to enroll in a variety of courses at one of Germany's most esteemed universities.

IES Abroad Vienna, Austria — *European Society & Culture Program*

Eligibility: no language prerequisite

Offering both English and German-taught courses, this program is ideal for students interested in studying the culture, history, and politics of Austria.

ENGLISH TAUGHT AREA STUDIES with GERMAN LANGUAGE OPTION

PLU Approved Programs:

CIEE Berlin, Germany — *Language & Culture Program*

Eligibility: no language prerequisite, second semester sophomore status

This program is intended for students who have an interest in contemporary Germany, who wish to pursue coursework in English on German Studies topics and study German language.

IES Abroad Berlin, Germany — *Metropolitan Studies Program*

Eligibility: no language prerequisite

Using Berlin as a case study, this program allows you to examine first-hand the interdisciplinary issues relevant to major cities today. The English-taught courses examine topics such as Cultural Identity, Gender and Sexual Politics, Multiculturalism, Politics, and Urban Planning.

IES Abroad Freiburg, Germany — *European Union Program*

Eligibility: no language prerequisite

Students study the development and activities of the EU from a central European location in Freiburg, Germany in English-taught courses. Field study trips are integral to the program and bring you to sites important to the affairs and interests of the European Union. The program is ideal for students majoring in Economics, Political Science, International Relations, and International Business.

IES Abroad Freiburg, Germany — *Environmental Studies & Sustainability Program*

Eligibility: no language prerequisite

Located in Freiburg, Germany's "Green City," this program offers English-taught courses in Environmental Studies at Albert-Ludwigs-Universität. Field study plays a key role in course offerings; research projects are available.

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Notes on Study Away in German-speaking Europe

- ☞ Participating in the Berlin J-term course is a great immersion into German language and culture and a way to prepare yourself for longer (semester or year-long) study away programs
- ☞ Spending a semester or a year away will enhance your linguistic and cultural competence and allow you to more quickly complete your major or minor requirements
- ☞ Study away can work in your sophomore, junior or senior year, depending on your individual language background
- ☞ Although PLU does not offer its own summer study abroad course in German, Professors Christensen and Jenkins can work with you individually to coordinate credit transfer from approved programs

WANG CENTER ADVISING NOTES

PLU offers a variety of program options to help you meet your study away goals. You may choose to study on a Gateway program, a Featured program, an Approved program, or a J-term program. You may also choose to participate in an International Internship.

Step 1—Explore

Explore your options for study away opportunities. Check out the programs available on our website. Come to a Study Away Fair, held in both September and March every year. Talk with others: Sojourner Advocates, staff, faculty and friends. Consider why you wish to study away, what you hope to achieve through the experience, where you might want to study, and when you would like to go.

Step 2—Evaluate

Evaluate your study away program options. Meet with a Study Away Advisor to determine which program is the best fit for you and your study away goals. Meet with your Faculty Advisor or Academic Advisor to discuss which program is the best fit for your academic goals.

Step 3—Apply

Once you've decided which program to apply to, visit the Wang Center for application details. Be sure to submit all application materials to the Wang Center by your program's deadline.