EU Study Abroad Program 2012

**The European Union and Transatlantic Relations:   
An Insider’s View from Brussels and Beyond**

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| Saturday, May 19 2012 | |
| **Meet in Brussels** | **Meeting Point**: Gare Centrale/Centraal Train Station (See Arrival Handout)  **Meeting Time**: 11:00  **Dress**: Casual |
| 11:00-11:30 | Meet in Brussels at Gare Centrale/Centraal  \* See Arrival Instructions Packet for details regarding the directions to our meeting point.  \* Should you miss the group, please see the address for the restaurant below and meet us there directly. |
| 12:00 to 14:00 | Lunch and Welcome Briefing  COOK AND BOOK  ESPACE CUCINA    1 Place du Temps Libre  1200 Woluwé Saint Lambert  Contact : Déborah Drion  Tél ; 00 32 2 761 26 00 |
| 14:00 | Depart with Host Families for the rest of weekend |
| Monday, May 21 | |
| **Tour of Brussels** | **Meeting Point**: Porte de Namur Metro Station (Lines 2 and 6)  **Meeting Time**: 09:45  **Dress**: Casual |
| 10:00 to 12:00 | Guided Tour of Brussels |
| 12:00 to 13:00  14:00 to 16:00 | Lunch  Walking Tour of Grand’ Place area |
| Tuesday, May 22 | |
| **Lecture** | **Meeting Point**: ULB Institute of European Studies–  39 av. Franklin Roosevelt 1050 Brussels  **Time**: 10:00  **Dress**: Casual |
| 10:00 to 12:00 | Prof. Birchfield: Historical Overview and Introduction to the EU |
| 12:00 to 13:30 | Lunch |
| 13:30 to 15:00  15:00 to 15:15  15:15 to 16:30 | Prof. Birchfield: From 6 to 27: Widening vs. Deepening and the Question  of European Identity    Coffee Break  Lecture |

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| Wednesday, May 23 | |
| **Lecture** | **Meeting Point**: ULB  **Meeting Time**: 10:00  **Dress**: Casual |
| 10:00 to 12:30 | Prof. Birchfield: From Rome to Lisbon: Political and Economic Evolution of the EU through the Treaties |
| 12:30 to 13:45 | Lunch Break |
| 14:00 to 17:00 | Prof.Birchfield: Institutions and Policy Making in the EU  OPTIONAL: Visit to the Châtelain Market and picnic |
| Thursday, May 24 | |
| **Lecture** | **Meeting Point**: ULB  **Meeting Time**: 07:45  **Dress**: Casual |
| 10:00 to 12:00 | CSDP and foreign policy challenges in the EU |
| 12:00 to 13:00 | Lunch |
| 13:00 to 15:30 | EU – US Relations and transatlantic security issues |
| Friday, May 25 | |
| Lecture | **Meeting Point**: ULB Institute of European Studies–  39 av. Franklin Roosevelt 1050 Brussels  **Time**: 10:00  **Dress**: Casual |
| 10:00-12:00  12:00-13:00  13:30-15:30 | --NATO and Allied Operations  --The European Security Strategy and the EU approach to civilian-military relations  Lunch Break  What kind of Power? The EU as a global actor in a changing international system |
| Monday, May 28 | |
| **National Holiday in Belgium** |  |
|  | Free day |
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| Tuesday, May 29 | |
| **NATO** | **Meeting Point**: Schuman Metro (Lines 1 and 5)  **Meeting Time**: 08:45  **Dress**: Professional + Passport |
| 10:00 to 16:00 | Briefings at NATO Headquarters from US, French, German, and Polish delegations  <http://www.nato.int/cps/en/natolive/index.htm> |
| Wednesday, May 30 | |
| **Trip to Ghent** | **Meeting Point**: Metro Trone (lines 2 and 6)  **Meeting Time**: 09:30  **Dress**: Casual |
| 10:00 to 13:00 | Guided tour of Ghent  NOTE: we may have an exceptional opportunity at the EU Parliament and if so, we will take the trip to Ghent on June 1 instead. |
| Thursday, May 31 | |
| **SHAPE**  **SHAPE** | **Meeting Point**: ULB  **Meeting Time**: 08:00  **Dress**: Professional + Passport |
| **9:00 – 13:00**  **13:00 – 15:00** | Briefings and lectures at Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers of Europe  Lunch at the Officers’ Club |
| Friday, June 1 | |
| **European Commission**  10:00 – 12:00 | **Meeting Point**: Schuman Metro  **Meeting Time**: 09:45  **Dress**: Professional + Passport  EU Commission Briefing on EU External Relations |
| Monday, June 4 | |  |
| **Council of the European union**  14:30 – 17:30 | **Meeting Point**: Schuman Metro  **Meeting Time**: 14:00  **Dress**: Professional + Passport  Briefing from Council Secretariat on Eurozone debt crisis and EU foreign policy and security issues |
| Tuesday, June 5 | |
| **European Parliament**  08:30 -11:00  11:00 – 12:30 | **Meeting Point**: Schuman Metro  **Meeting Time**: 08:00  **Dress**: Professional + Passport  Briefing and tour  Dialogue with MEP Bill Newton Dunn  <http://www.newton-dunn.com/>  Lunch TBA with other MEPs  Afternoon sessions of various committee hearings |
| Wednesday, June 6 | |
| **U.S. Mission to the European Union**  **14:15 to 17:30** | **Meeting Point**: Park Metro  **Meeting Time**: 14:00  **Dress**: Professional + Passport  \* NOTE: Optional morning sessions at the EU Parliament (TBA)  US Mission to the EU - Groups will be expected to have generated questions in advance of the briefing. An excellent way to research current issues at USEU is by looking over the website: [http://useu.brussels.state.gov/](http://useu.brussels.state.gov/" \t "_blank) |
| Thursday, June 7 | |
| **Coca Cola Headquarters for Europe**  **10:00 – 13:00**  European External Action Service  14:00-17:00 | **Meeting Point**: Ceria / Coovi  **Meeting Time**: 9:30  **Dress**: Business Casual  Presentation by Dr. Nikolaus Tacke, Director European Government Affairs    <http://www.thecoca-colacompany.com/citizenship/index.html>  Lunch Provided!  14h-14h45: Deputy Head of Division: EEAS's role within the EU & general EU-US relations;  - 15h-15h45: Wiktor Staniecki on TEC-Trade issues;  - 16h-16h45: Ulrich Eckle on energy and environmental issues |
| Friday, June 8 | |
| **Long Weekend OFF** | **Free Day** |
| Monday, June 11 | |  |
| **Long Weekend** | **Free Day** |
| Tuesday, June 12 | |
| **European Parliament: Human Rights Unit**  **10:00 – 12:00**  14:00 – 16:00 | **Meeting Point**: Schuman  **Meeting Time**: 9:30  **Dress**: Professional + Passport    Briefing by Geoffrey Harris, Head of the Human Rights Unit (Directorate General for External Policies of the Union)  Joined by Dean of the Ivan Allen College, Dr. Jacqueline Royster and Consul General Of Belgium, Mr. Benoit Standaert  **Human Rights Watch** [**http://www.hrw.org/europe/central-asia**](http://www.hrw.org/europe/central-asia) |
| Wednesday, June 13 | |
| **Day trip to The The The Hague**  **ICTY and**  Tour of Peace Palace  All day | **Meeting Point**: Hotel  **Meeting Time**: 07:30  **Dress**: Professional + Passport  Briefings at ICTY and the Peace Palace (ICJ)  http://www.icty.org/ |
| Thursday, June 14 | |
| **Doctors without Borders**  11:00 – 13:00 | **Meeting Point**: Schuman Metro  **Meeting Time**: 09:45  **Dress**: Professional + Passport  Mission and operations of MSF—Doctors without Borders <http://www.globalhand.org/en/search/organisation/organisation/21403>  Afternoon Picnic and review session |
| Friday, June 15 | |
| **Bruges**  10:00 to 12:00 | **Meeting Point**: Gare Centrale  **Meeting Time**: 09:00  **Dress**: Casual  Tour of the College of Europe and Exam  Lunch  Canal tour |
| Sunday, June 17 | |
| **Depart Brussels for the City of Light!**  **Train leaves @14:37 arrives in Paris @15:59** | **Meeting Point**: Gare Centrale  **Meeting Time**: 14:00  **Dress**: Casual  <http://www.paris.fr/english/english/presentation-of-the-city/p8125>  <http://www.timeout.fr/paris/en/cheap>  Walking tour of Left Bank, St. Germain-des- Près & Blvd. St. Michel and light dinner  Sunset cruise on the Seine |
| **Monday, June 18** | |
| **Ministry of Foreign Affairs**  10:00 to 13:00 | **Meeting Point**: Hotel  **Meeting Time**: 09:30  **Dress**: Professional + Passport  French Ministry of Foreign Affairs: Briefing on French foreign policy, role of France in the EU, and French – US relations, tour of the Grands Salons |
| **Tuesday, June 19** | |  | |
|  | Sightseeing |
| **Wednesday, June 20** | |
| **Le Sénat français**  10:30 – 13:30 | **Meeting Point**: Hotel  **Meeting Time**: 09:30  **Dress**: Professional + Passport  Tour of the French Senate and meeting with Senator (TBA) <http://www.senat.fr/lng/en/index.html>  Lunch in Luxembourg Gardens  Optional: Visit of the Pantheon <http://www.pantheonparis.com/> |
| **Thursday, June 21** | |
| **IFRI**  10:00 – 12:00  **U.S. Embassy in Paris**  14:30 – 16:00 | **Meeting Point**: Hotel  **Meeting Time**: 09:30  **Dress**: Professional + Passport  Institut français des relations internationals <http://www.ifri.org/>  Briefings by Head of Security and Economic Divisions  French-American relations, diplomatic and security cooperation, role of France in Afghanistan, Libya and Iran.  Impact of the Eurozone debt crisis on French economy. Reform prospects under Hollande administration |
| **Friday, June 22** | |
| **Normandy** | **Meeting Point**: Hotel  **Meeting Time**: 08:00  **Dress**: Casual  Day trip to Normandy Beaches, American Cemetery, and Bayeux |
| **Saturday, June 23** | |
|  | **Free Day** |
| **Sunday June 24** | |
| **Travel to Berlin**  **Train departs @09:06 arrives in Berlin @17:25** | **Meeting Location: Hotel**  **Meeting Time: 07:30**  **Dress: Casual**  Dinner at Savignyplatz |
| **Monday, June 25** | |
| **Guided tour of Berlin**  9:00 – 12:00  12:00 – 14:00  14:00 – 16:00 | **Meeting Location**: Hotel  **Meeting Time**: 09:00  **Dress**: Casual  Panoramic bus tour with historical commentary by expert guide, Stevie Bloomquist  Checkpoint Charlie Museum  Lunch and tour of Unter den Linden/Brandenburg Gate area  <http://www.ricksteves.com/plan/destinations/germany/unterdenlinden.htm>  Continue Bus and Walking Tour of Berlin/ Eastside Gallery |
| Tuesday, June 26 | |
| Tour of German Historical Museum | **Meeting Location**: Hotel  **Meeting Time**: 9:00  **Dress**: Casual  Guided tour of German Historical Museum  Afternoon free on Museum Island or  Optional trip to Potsdam and Sans Souci |
| Wednesday, June 27 | |
| **Berlin Federal Foreign Office**  10:00 – 12:00 | **Meeting Location**: Hotel  **Meeting Time**: 9:00  **Dress**: Professional + Passport  Briefing on German foreign policy, the role of Germany in the EU, US-German relations  Afternoon: Jewish Museum and Memorial to the Murdered Jews of Europe |
| Thursday, June 28 | |
| **Bundestag**  **Bundesrat**  **10:00-15:30** | **Meeting Location**: Hotel  **Meeting Time**: 09:00  **Dress**: Business Casual/ Passport  Tour of Bundestag and meeting with MP Mr. Hans-Ulrich Klose, MdB  <http://klose.spd-hamburg.de>  \*Lunch at Currywurst stand  Presentation from Director of Bundesrat  <http://www.bundesrat.de/EN/Home/homepage__node.html> |
| Friday, June 29 | |
|  | **Meeting Location**: Hotel  **Meeting Time**: 9:30  **Dress**: Casual |
| Trip to Wannsee Conference Education and Memorial Site | http://www.ghwk.de/engl/kopfengl.htm |
| Saturday, June 30 | |
|  | **FREE DAY !** |
|  | Optional Bike Tour & Picnic in the Tiergarten |
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| **Sunday, July 1** | |
| **Train to Krakow** | **Meeting Location**: Hotel  **Meeting Time**: 8:30  **Dress**: Casual |
| Arrival 19:52 | Welcome Dinner – Nostalgia – 10, W. Karmelicka |
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| **Monday, July 2** | |
|  | **Meeting Location**: Hotel  **Meeting Time**: 10:00  **Dress**: Casual |
| Walking tour of Old town and Wawel Castle  10:00-16:00 | All day guided tour; wear comfortable shoes! |
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| **Tuesday, July 3** | |
|  | **Meeting Location**: Hotel  **Meeting Time**: 10:00  **Dress**: Casual |
| Lecture on Polish history and identity | Lecture with Dr. Mach – Jagiellonian Univeristy  Note: Do the background reading and article by Dr. Mach on T-Square |
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|  | Study/ Work on Simulation/ Free time |
| **Wednesday, July 4** | |
|  | **Meeting Location**: Hotel  **Meeting Time**: 10:00  **Dress**: Casual |
| Tour of Jewish District | 10:00 to 12:00 |
| Lunch |  |
| Schindler’s Museum | 14:00 to 16:00 |
| **Thursday, July 5** | |
| Tour of Auschwitz-Birkenau | **Meeting Location**: Hotel  **Meeting Time**: 9:00  **Dress**: Casual \*No shorts or open toe shoes |
| 9:00- 15:00 | Visit and guided tours of Auschwitz and Birkenau death camps |
|  | Day trip by mini-van/chartered bus |
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| **Friday, July 6** | |
| Simulation: EU-US Summit | **Meeting Location**: Hotel—Conference room  **Meeting Time**: 9:00  **Dress**: Casual |
| 9:30 to 12:30 | Final exam exercise |
|  | Lunch |
| Tour of the Wieliczka Salt Mines  14:00-16:00  Final Dinner Celebration  19:00-21:00 | <http://www.kopalnia.pl/index.php?id_language=2&id_news=&action=&id_site=&language_change>  Restaurant <http://www.dg.uj.edu.pl/en_GB/przegorzaly/restauracja> |
| **Saturday, July 7** | |
|  | PROGRAM OVER! |
| Check-out of hotel by noon | Students doing internships in Brussels depart with Dr. Birchfield (Flight to Brussels, TBA) |
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|  | Enjoy the rest of summer! |

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