

STUDY ABROAD in SWITZERLAND

with the Department of Communication at Virginia Tech

About the Program

International Perspectives on Communication is designed for students who want the study abroad experience without the long-term commitment. Students earn six credit hours during the Summer I term. Two weeks of coursework is completed at the Steger Center in Riva San Vitale, Switzerland and the remainder of the course is completed online from anywhere in the world. Students have the option to return home or travel throughout Europe on their own. Students will also enroll in a one-hour spring semester course to prepare for the trip.

For the Summer 2020 trip, we will be in Switzerland **June 4 - 18**. Students will have the opportunity to spend time in Geneva, Switzerland to visit the United Nations as well as have two “free weekends” to travel independently.

2020 Course Offerings

For the 2020 Study Abroad program we are offering JMC 4264: Social Media Theory and Practice and CMST 4244: Perception, Persuasion & Propaganda.

Applications

Students must apply to be part of this program. Applications are available on the Virginia Tech Global Education Website - www.globaleducation.vt.edu

The application deadline is **Friday, December 6**. Students will be notified of acceptance via email.

Program Leaders

The 2020 program is lead by Dr. Buddy Howell (hbuddy@vt.edu) and Dr. Brandi Watkins (brandi1@vt.edu). Reach out via email for additional information.

Program Costs

In-State students can expect to pay \$7,789 and \$11,474 for out-of-state students. Below is an estimated breakdown of fees for in-state and out-of-state students.

| Costs | In-State | Out-of-State |
|-------------------------------|----------|--------------|
| Program Fee* | \$3,214 | \$3,214 |
| Tuition & Fees* | \$2,330 | \$6,015 |
| Application/Study Abroad Fee* | \$100 | \$100 |
| Books/Materials/Supplies | \$50 | \$50 |
| Airfare | \$1,900 | \$1,900 |
| New Passport Fee | \$145 | \$145 |
| Telecommunications Data Plan | \$50 | \$50 |

A deposit is due upon acceptance to the program. Installment payments may be made during the spring semester.

**Billed to students' Virginia Tech account.*

Scholarships

Students may apply for scholarships to assist with the cost of the program. Scholarships available include the Edwin J. and Jane M. Ewing Scholarship for Study Abroad and the College of Liberal Arts & Human Sciences Scholarship. Information about applying for these scholarships can be found on the program website - www.commstudyabroad.weebly.com