

FALLEN EMPIRE: FROM VIENNA TO DUBROVNIK

STUDY ABROAD FALL 2025



The Austro-Hungarian Empire was shaped, both physically and culturally, by the many ethnic and linguistic groups that crossed through, invaded, and settled the area around Vienna, and the empire's incorporation of neighboring states, from parts of present-day Poland to swaths of the Balkans. In this program, we will examine the tangible traces of the former Austro-Hungarian Empire in visual arts, architecture, film, food traditions, and literature. From our base in Vienna, students will get to know the empire's historical and cultural complexity through city walks, museum visits, cooking classes, and excursions to culturally significant sites. To understand the cultures of the Austro-Hungarian Empire, we will also explore Prague, Budapest, Krakow, Salzburg, Slovenia, and Croatia.

DATES

3 September – 1 December (approx.)

HOUSING

The Austro-American Institute of Education in Vienna arranges housing (including breakfast) with non-Latter-day Saint Viennese hosts for pairs of students, providing insight into Austrian culture. On overnight trips, we will stay in hostels.

COURSES

Students will enroll in 12 credit hours of the following courses while on this program:

- UNIV 215R—Writing the Empire (3 credit hours) (fulfills GE Letters)
- UNIV 216R—Eating the Empire (3 credit hours) (fulfills GE Global and Cultural Awareness)
- GERMAN 346—German Art and Architecture: Vienna (3 credit hours) (fulfills GE Arts)
- CMLIT 202—Civilization: Literature 2 (3 credit hours) (fulfills GE Civ)
- GERMAN 101-301- German language (3-4 credit hours) (GERMAN 301 fulfills GE Languages of Learning)

Students may not take any other courses on this program, including BYU Online courses, without approval by the program director and ISP, but these courses can be substituted for major electives as relevant.

COST

\$11,500–12,000

Includes Latter-day Saint undergraduate full tuition (increased cost for graduate and non-Latter-day Saint students), housing, group transportation on field trips, some meals, and international health insurance. Does not include airfare, most meals, prep course tuition, or personal expenses.

TRAVEL

Students are responsible for purchasing their own airfare to and from the program sites. Airfare reservations must be made through BYU Travel | 280 HRCB | (801) 422-6293 | travel@byu.edu.

PREPARATION

Accepted students are required to participate in an international, cross-cultural preparation course (IAS 201R, 1 credit hour). This class will be held during the second block of the Winter 2025 semester. Part-time BYU students and non-BYU students will need to pay an additional tuition fee. Accompanying spouses need to be credit-bearing participants on the program. Spouses will also need to apply online and take the preparation course.

International study programs are physically, emotionally, and mentally taxing and you must be in good health to participate. These programs often take place in international locations that do not have the same level of safety and services in terms of transportation, living conditions, residential accommodations, food, public behavior, and policing that you may be used to on campus. If you have further questions or concerns on this, please see <https://kenedy.byu.edu/isp-travel-policy>

Students must meet all country- and program-specific COVID and health requirements for travel.

FUNDING SOURCES

Regular BYU tuition scholarships, Pell Grants, and Federal Insured Student Loans may be applied to study abroad programs. Students who submit the financial aid section of the ISP application and who have a current FAFSA form on file at the Financial Aid Office (A-41 ASB) will be considered for a Study Abroad scholarship. Academic departments and colleges may assist with scholarships and grants. Private grants and scholarships outside of BYU may also assist (see kenedy.byu.edu/scholarships).

APPLICATION PROCESS

Students must be 18 years of age or older to participate. Complete the online application at kenedy.byu.edu/isp-apply. A nonrefundable \$35 application fee is required; applicants will be interviewed once the application is complete. Students will be notified via e-mail of their acceptance into the program. The first payment is due upon acceptance.

Application Deadline: 15 April 2025

FACULTY

Julie K. Allen (director) is a professor of Comparative Literature and Scandinavian Studies in the BYU Comparative Arts and Letters Department. She has lived and worked extensively in the UK, Germany, and Denmark, and directed a six-month study abroad program in London in 2013, the BYU London Centre in Spring 2023, and a traveling program in Scandinavia in Spring 2024. She will be accompanied by her husband Brent and her teenage daughter Val.

INTERESTED STUDENTS SHOULD CONTACT

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SCHEDULE AND TIME COMMITMENT

Parents are not to visit students during the official program time period. Students should not plan late arrivals to the host country, and they should plan to stay the entire length of the program. Married couples may attend the program BUT both must be current full-time students who are enrolled in the program.

PROGRAM ADJUSTMENTS

International Study Programs (ISP) reserves the right to cancel this program, revise its offerings, or make any adjustments to the preliminary cost. If it becomes necessary for ISP to cancel a program, all program payments made to BYU ISP will be refunded to the student's BYU financial account. ISP is the only office authorized to cancel any of its programs.