EC 400-GLOBAL ECONOMIC ISSUES

ACADEMIC COURSE WITH AN INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL COMPONENT

FOR STUDENTS TO LEARN GLOBAL ECONOMIC ISSUES AND BECOME FAMILIAR WITH MIDDLE EASTERN CULTURE, POLITICS AND THE ECONOMY.

This course offers a unique opportunity to learn about numerous global and critical issues, and become more knowledgeable and understanding of the economic, political and social differences among nations. In this highly interactive course, students will develop knowledge on the euro-zone debt crisis, global poverty, income inequality gap, food crisis, global warming, fair trade and free trade, immigration issues and many more. Students will develop a research paper on critical global topics. During the Spring Break, they will travel to Turkey to witness the differences in other ways of life.

A Course in

GLOBAL ECONOMICS

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DeSales University in Istanbul
Spring 2013
Study Global Economics

Global Economic Issues: EC.400
14 Weeks at DeSales &
7 Days in Istanbul, Turkey
(During the Spring Break)

With Assistance from:
DeSales University, Students Affairs Office

March 03, 2013 – Istanbul: A representative will be at the airport to welcome you to Turkey and transfer you to the hotel. After a welcome briefing at the hotel, a free day at leisure and that evening there will be a welcome dinner at the local restaurant. (Breakfast & Dinner)

March 04, 2013 – Istanbul: Hotel Breakfast at 9:00 a.m. and a full day tour, Hippodrome: The former center of sprotive and political activities of Constantinopple. You will be able to see the Obelisk from Egypt, Serpentine Column from Delphi, and fountain of Wilhlem II. Blue Mosque: The biggest mosque in Istanbul from 17th century architecture and one of the principal adorments on the Istanbul skyline. It is also famous for its blue tiles and 6 minarest. Topkapi Palace: The former imperial residence where the Great Ottoman Empire was ruled. Today a spectacular museum that has one of the largest collections of Chinese and Japanese porcelain and the very famous treasury of the Royal Family.

Lunch: Full Course Deluxe Menu at a charming restaurant. St. Sophia: The magnificent Byzantine Church of all times and one of the finest and largest architectural works of art in the world. Grand Bazaar: In addition to its historical importance, it is a bazaar that will tempt even the nonshoppers with its rich collection of precious handmade carpets, jewelry, leather and souvenirs. (Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner on your own).

March 05, 2013 – Istanbul: Hotel Breakfast. You will have a full day city tour. Spice Bazaar (Egyptian Bazaar): Mystical smells of different aromas of various spices and visit shops selling fruits, vegetables, flowers, fish, etc. Bosphorus Cruise: Sail through the waterway separating the two continents, Europe and Asia, with a possibility of photographing marble palaces, ancient wooden villas of Ottoman architecture beside modern residential and luxurious apartments.

Lunch: Full Course Deluxe Menu at a charming restaurant.

Beylerbeyi Palace: The last residence for Ottoman Sultans with 365 rooms and 22 saloons making it famous for its great collection of European antiquity, furniture, and 4.5 tons chandelier. Bosphorus Bridge: A unique chance to step from one continent (Europe) to another (Asia) in 2 minutes. Camlica Hill: It exposes a panoramic view of Istanbul and Bosphorus from the best point of view. (Breakfast & Lunch, Dinner on your own).

March 06, 2013 – Istanbul: Community Learning Program sponsored event to the U.S Trade Center in Istanbul: Turkish economy and trade lectures and an evening reception. (Breakfast and Dinner with reception at Dedem Afrodit.)

March 07, 2013 – Istanbul: Hotel Breakfast at 8:30 a.m. and a full day city tour. Cruise in Marmara Sea to Princes’ Islands, stop at Buyukada, the popular summer resort with sandy beaches and pinewood scenery; once the pleasure island of Byzantine Princes. Tour the island with horse-drawn carriages before lunch at a Sea Food restaurant. Also envisioned during the tour: Topkapi Palace, Leander’s Tower, Uskudar from the sea. (Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner on your own)

March 08, 2013 – Istanbul: Hotel Breakfast. Day at leisure and at night, we will have Dinner at Dedem Afrodit. (Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner on your own).

March 09, 2013 – Istanbul: Hotel Breakfast; transfer to airport for your flight back home. (Breakfast).

AGENDA FOR THE COURSE

Turkey signed a Custom Union Agreement with the EU in 1995 and was officially recognized as a candidate for full membership on December 12, 1999. Since then, trade volumes have risen to a great extent. The importance of foreign trade in the Turkish economy is vastly increasing and the economic relations with the European Union are more important than ever. Students’ observation of their economy, culture differences and capacity to join the euro-zone requires certain activities:

- Visiting the Mosques will allow students to make observation on cultural differences between Euro-zone countries and in particular, Turkey’s religious practices.
- Visiting the Bazaar will allow students to appreciate the lack of copy rights and the impacts of that on their trade and significance of that on their tourist industry.
- Listening to Trade Representatives will allow students to capture the state of the economy in Turkey.

Participation fee is estimated at $1,950 which can be partially subsidized by DeSales University. The participation fee includes the following items:

- Airline Tickets
- Transportation, cruise and tours in Istanbul
- Tips to tour guide, drivers and the tour director
- Entrance fees
- Visits to businesses and their representatives
- Lodging (double occupancy – for 6 nights)
- Breakfast and Dinner for 6 Days

Visa Fee in Turkey is not included ($35).

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