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Greetings!

Thank you for your interest in the Illinois Consortium for International Studies and Programs (ICISP), one of the oldest study abroad consortia in the country. Through internal and external partnerships, ICISP develops and provides cost-effective programs, services, and opportunities for the constituencies it serves – students, faculty, administrators, staff, business and community members – to promote global awareness, competency and understanding.

Membership is open to all Illinois public and private two-year colleges, and by invitation to four year colleges and universities in Illinois, as well as two and four year institutions and consortia in contiguous states. Your institution will benefit from ICISP membership in a number of ways:

Opportunities for Faculty and Administrators currently include:

- Semester visiting professorships in Salzburg, Austria; Canterbury, England; Carlow, Ireland; and Seville, Spain.
- Summer visiting professorship in San José, Costa Rica.
- Short-term two-week professional exchanges in China, Finland, the Netherlands and Switzerland.
- Cost-effective workshops at member institutions for internationalization of the curriculum.

Student study abroad opportunities include:

- Semester study abroad programs in Austria, England, Ireland and Spain.
- Summer study abroad programs in Austria, Costa Rica, and Spain.
- Variety of short-term and semester study abroad and service-learning programs offered through ICISP member institutions.

Noteworthy accomplishments include:

- Nearly 600 ICISP faculty have participated in exchanges abroad.
- ICISP was the recipient of a 2007-2009 IFSA grant which provided \$70,000 in student study abroad scholarships.
- Nearly 2500 ICISP students have studied abroad in 10 countries.
- Approximately one-third of ICISP members have received national grants and awards including the prestigious U.S. Department of Education Title VIA and Title VIB, Fulbright, NAFSA and NEH grants.
- ICISP members bring visibility to their respective institutions and to ICISP by regularly presenting at national and international conferences.
- ICISP members support each other's international efforts by sharing knowledge, events and resources.

In this packet, you will find the ICISP Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), Constitution and By-Laws, and a list of current ICISP member institutions. These informative materials will clarify the extensive benefits of ICISP membership. Please take time to review the MOU, contact us with any comments, concerns, or questions, and then sign the form to join ICISP. Once ICISP has received your signed documents, a copy of all signed documents will be returned to you for your records.

Please contact me should you have any questions regarding membership at 847.214.7821 or by email at Lnehlsen@elgin.edu. Thank you for your interest in ICISP, and we look forward to receiving your application for membership.

Best regards,

Lauren Nehlsen, M.A.
ICISP Membership Secretary



Illinois Consortium for International Studies and Programs 2012-2013 Study Abroad Programs

ICISP Consortial Study Abroad Programs:

Canterbury Christ Church University (Canterbury, England)

International College of Seville (Seville, Spain)

Salzburg College (Salzburg, Austria)

Consortial program processing is handled through the ICISP Office at Heartland Community College. ICISP receives and processes the applications and conducts the pre-program orientation. Students register and receive credit for courses with assistance from the ICISP representative at their home institution. The ICISP Coordinator sends the grades to the ICISP representative, who records the grades for the student with the Registrar's Office.

ICISP Sponsored Programs:

Carlow College (Carlow, Ireland): Students apply through Kishwaukee College.

Forester Instituto Internacional (San Jose, Costa Rica): Students apply through the College of DuPage.

Students apply through the ICISP member institution offering the program who also conducts the pre-program orientation. Students register and receive credit for courses with assistance from the ICISP representative at their home institution. The ICISP Coordinator sends the grades to the ICISP representative, who records the grades for the student with the Registrar's Office.



ICISP Members 2012-2013

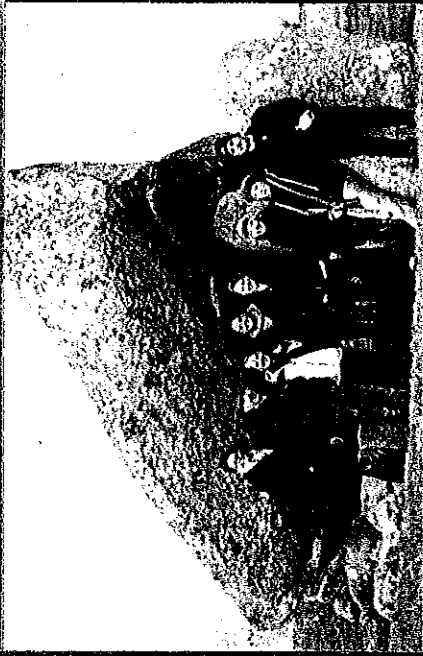
Black Hawk College
Carl Sandburg College
College of DuPage
College of Lake County
Danville Area Community College
E. Iowa Community College District
Elgin Community College
Harper College
Heartland Community College
Illinois Central College
Illinois Eastern Community College
Illinois Valley Community College
John A. Logan College
Joliet Junior College
Kankakee Community College
Kishwaukee College
Lake Land College
Lincoln Land Community College
McHenry County College
Moraine Valley Community College
Oakton Community College
Parkland College
Prairie State College
Rend Lake College
South Suburban College
Waubonsee Community College
Wisconsin Consortial Membership:
 Gateway Technical College
 Madison Area Technical College
 Milwaukee Area Technical College
 Moraine Park Technical College
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 Northeast Wisconsin Technical College
 Waukesha County Technical College
 Wisconsin Indianhead Technical College



Through internal and external partnerships, ICISP develops and provides affordable programs, services, and opportunities for the constituencies it serves—students, faculty, administrators, staff, business and community members—to promote cultural diversity, global awareness, competency and understanding.

ICISP is a regional source of leadership and cooperation, a catalyst and facilitator, which promotes international education and cultural diversity.

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For more information about how your institution can become a member, contact:

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Study Abroad

Teach Abroad

Faculty and Staff Benefits

Two-Week Professional Exchanges

ICISP offers a Two-Week International Professional Exchange to China, Finland, the Netherlands, and Switzerland. The program is open to full-time faculty and staff at member institutions.

Each participant is matched with a colleague who may share similar job responsibilities. During the exchange, participants may observe classes, participate in lectures, give presentations, visit other colleges/universities, and observe the programs offered at the host institution. U.S. participants host their exchange partners in mid-October and complete their portion of the exchange in May.

Visiting Professor Program

Faculty can spend a summer or semester teaching abroad in Salzburg, Austria; San Jose, Costa Rica; Canterbury, England; Carlow, Ireland; Seville, Spain and Xi'an, China.

Workshops

Cost-effective workshops on a variety of topics related to international education are offered at member institutions.

Institutional Benefits

Scholarships/Grants

ICISP is the recipient of a 2007-09 IFSA Grant to provide \$70,000 in student scholarships for study abroad in ICISP programs.

Prestige

Approximately one-third of ICISP members have received national grants and awards such as the prestigious U.S. Department of Education Title VIA and Title VIB, Fulbright, NAFSA and NEH grants.

Publicity

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Student Benefits

Study Abroad Opportunities Fall and Spring Semesters

Canterbury, England: Liberal arts and British culture study at Canterbury Christ Church University.

Carlow, Ireland: Liberal arts and Irish culture study at Carlow College.

Salzburg, Austria: German language and Austrian culture study at Salzburg College

Seville, Spain: Spanish language and culture at the International College of Seville.

Study Abroad Opportunities for Summer

Salzburg, Austria: Intensive German language study at Salzburg College

San Jose, Costa Rica: Intensive Spanish language and culture study.

Other Non-Travel

Professional Development Opportunities

ICISP sponsors conferences, workshops, and seminars as well. Some areas of focus have been Asia, Africa, Latin America, and Eastern Europe.

ICISP member institutions often share professional development opportunities with other members. Past offerings include Fulbright Hays projects, the Illinois International Negotiation Modules Project (INMP), and others.

As these are scheduled, ICISP representatives will receive e-mail announcements.

Who Participates?

These professional development opportunities are available to faculty/staff/administrators of participating ICISP member colleges in Illinois, Wisconsin and Iowa. Please check with your ICISP representative for institution-specific requirements.

How Do I Apply?

Applicants must follow their home institution and ICISP process for consideration. Proper permission/approval is required from the home institution.

Each program has a separate application process and timeline. Contact your ICISP representative for details concerning your particular program of interest.

Travel Expectations

All participants will be responsible for any meals not provided in the formal program, transportation to and from the pre-departure orientation and to and from the U.S. airport of departure, international health insurance, and fees associated with acquiring a passport and/or visa.

Please note that all participants are also required to participate in a pre-departure orientation and will be expected to assist in future program recruitment upon their return.

Professional development opportunities require advance planning.

For more information contact your ICISP Representative:

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Professional

Development

Opportunities

Available to ICISP

Member

Institutions

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Two-Week

Professional Exchanges

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These two-week exchanges involve home stays in order to minimize costs and increase cultural exposure. Each participant provides room, meals, and transportation for his/her exchange guest. Accommodations do not need to be elaborate, but participants should be provided their own bedroom during the stay.

The host college pays the airfare and the administrative fees for the participant. Gifts and optional travel would be additional expenses.



Semester Opportunities

Spain

Participants teach a one credit service learning course and a course, in English, not currently taught at the International College of Seville. In addition, they will oversee and provide leadership for the program and students, hold office hours, serve as chaperone on all field trips, etc.

Participants receive salary and benefits from their home college, aid in locating suitable housing, a monthly housing stipend of \$500, an economy-class round-trip ticket by the most direct route, and ground transportation between the airport and destination.



England & Ireland

Participants will teach classes and/or prepare and give lectures as assigned. They will also attend the Modern Britain/Irish Experience classes with the students, oversee and provide leadership for the program and students, hold office hours, serve as chaperone on all field trips, etc.

Participation includes salary paid for by the home college, housing provided by the host institution abroad, an economy-class round-trip ticket by the most direct route, and ground transportation between the airport and destination.



Summer Opportunities

Costa Rica

Selected participants will serve as Assistant Director for 40 students in San José, Costa Rica. The responsibilities of the Assistant Director will include working as a team with the directors administering the program and may include teaching responsibilities.

Summer opportunities provide round-trip airfare, apartment-like accommodations, and most meal expenses.

Course Information

Canterbury: Modern Britain
British History or Literature
2 elective courses

Carlow: Irish Experience
3 elective courses

Satzburg: (summer) 2 elective courses
or
(Semester) German
(no prior experience required)
Austrian Civilization
Art History or Music
Appreciation
2 elective courses

Seville: 2 Spanish courses
(students tested and placed
in appropriate courses)
Spanish Culture Course
Service Learning Course
1 elective course

Costa Rica: Spanish language (all levels)
Culture & Civilization of
Costa Rica

Housing Information

In Canterbury, Costa Rica, and Satzburg, students live with host families either in the host city or the surrounding area. In Seville, students can live with a host family or in a residence hall. In Carlow, they live in an apartment.

Application Deadlines

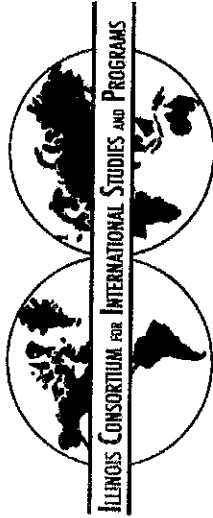
Dates vary by year and by program. Based on past deadlines, applications should be submitted by the following dates:

Spring semester	October
Summer semester	February
Fall semester	May

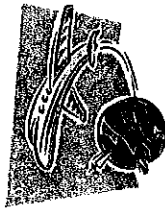
Studying abroad requires advance planning.

For more information contact your ICISP Representative:

Study Abroad Opportunities



Provided by ICISP



ICISP (Illinois

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Programs) offers a

variety of opportunities

for students to experience

another culture while

maintaining their

academic goals.

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Programs Available

Available Fall or Spring Semester (13-16 weeks)

- Canterbury, U.K.: 12 credits
- Carlow, Ireland: 12-15 credits
- Salzburg, Austria: 15 credits
- Seville, Spain: 15 credits

Available Summer (3-5 weeks)

- Salzburg, Austria: 6 credits
- San José, Costa Rica: 6-8 credits

Who participates?

These programs are available to students of participating ICISP member colleges in Illinois, Wisconsin and Iowa. Some programs are organized by a particular college. Therefore, the majority of participants may be from that institution.

To begin ...

1. MEET THE MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS -- Generally, the requirements are:
 - 2.75 or higher GPA
 - C or better in English 101
 - 12-15 hours of college earned credit
 - 2 letters of recommendation
 - Application & deposit
2. ARRANGE FINANCING & CLASSES. Financing is usually the most important factor in deciding to study abroad. See the next section for suggestions. It will also be necessary to arrange classes at your institution

around classes at the study abroad site.

3. DECIDE WHEN & WHERE YOU WOULD LIKE TO GO. Different programs have different applications, deadlines, and requirements.
4. COMPLETE THE APPLICATION AND PAY THE DEPOSIT. Applications are available through your institution.
5. SCHEDULE AN INTERVIEW. Meet with your ICISP Representative to prepare appropriately for your trip.

BEGIN MAKING ARRANGMENTS.

There will be many details to arrange before your trip such as a passport, attending orientation, arranging insurance, etc. You will receive further information when you have been accepted into the program.



HOW TO FINANCE...

1. Pay for it yourself.
2. Save. Start a special savings account. Ask for money for holidays, birthdays, etc. Let others know your plans.
3. Use financial aid. If you qualify for financial aid, your award can be applied toward your experience. Each student's situation is different so meet with Financial Aid to determine what is available to you.

4. Apply for scholarships. Ask Financial Aid, look for local scholarships, etc.

5. Obtain an alternative educational loan. Financial Aid has details.

6. Seek a personal loan. Solid credit history, a co-signer and collateral are often necessary.



How Much Does It Cost?

Program costs are due before the trip at designated deadlines. Prices vary from year to year depending on the rate of exchange.

Program costs generally include: instruction, room and board, course-related field trips, and administrative costs. However, they usually do not include airfare.

The following are **APPROXIMATE** costs:

Canterbury: \$8,700

Carlow: \$7,800

Salzburg: \$12,562 (semester)
\$ 5,630 (summer)

Seville: \$9,810 (fall semester)
\$10,210 (spring semester*)

Costa Rica: \$3,099 (airfare included)

*spring semester is longer than fall