

MARIST IN GREECE, TURKEY & ITALY

May 26 - June 9, 2011



Thessaloniki, Kalambaka, Delphi, Athens and Rome

THE PROGRAM

This program will follow the life of St. Paul, the "Apostle to the Gentiles," and visit communities in modern-day Greece and Turkey to which Paul addressed his Letters: Corinth, Ephesus, Philippi, Thessalonika. We will also tour Athens and take a three-day cruise Mykonos, Santorini, and Crete. An optional excursion to Rome will include a visit to the Basilica of St. Paul-Outside-the-Walls, where the tomb of Paul was unearthed just four years ago. There will be private tours of the Sistine Chapel, the excavations under St. Peter's Basilica, and visits to the Colosseum, Forum, Pantheon, and other sites.

THE COURSE

Three (3) credits will be offered for the program. Students will register for the course below:

REST 389L-150 Varieties of Religious Experience: The Church in Rome

PROGRAM DIRECTOR

Academic details will be provided by the Program Director, Prof Timmian C. Massie. Students interested in the program will need to meet with Prof Massie to discuss the program and to receive permission to enroll. A second full-time Marist instructor/chaperone will also accompany the group to assist with logistics and safety.

PROGRAM ITINERARY*

The program is scheduled to visit the following cities - Greece: Thessaloniki, Kalambaka, Delphi, Athens; Turkey: Kusadasi; and Italy: Rome (optional)

Details of the itinerary will be covered during orientation.

ACADEMIC

The academic portion of the program will be conducted by Prof Timmian C. Massie. Pre-departure orientations will be scheduled during Spring

Semester at Marist College. Students are required to participate in all aspects of the program for a final grade.

EXCURSIONS

Site visits scheduled include:

Athens

Athens, the capital and largest city of Greece, dominates the Attica periphery; as one of the world's oldest cities, its recorded history spans around 3,400 years. Planned site visits include the Acropolis, Mars Hill and Syntagma Square.

Thessaloniki

Thessaloniki is the second-largest city in Greece and the capital of the region of Macedonia. Its honorific title is Συμπρωτεύουσα (Symprotévousa), literally "co-capital", a reference to its historical status as the Συμβασιλεύουσα (Symvasilévousa) or "co-reigning" city of the Byzantine Empire, alongside Constantinople.

Kalambaka/Meteora

The Metéora (Greek: Μετέωρα, "suspended rocks", "suspended in the air" or "in the heavens above") is one of the largest and most important complexes of Eastern Orthodox monasteries in Greece, second only to Mount Athos.[1] The six monasteries are built on natural sandstone rock pillars, at the northwestern edge of the Plain of Thessaly near the Pineios river and Pindus Mountains, in central Greece.

3-day Cruise

A 3-day cruise will include visits to Mykonos, Kusadasi, Ephesus, Patmos, Heraklion and Santorini

Rome (optional)

An optional 4-day excursion to Rome is available for an additional \$995.00. Interested students need to confirm their participation with the program director.

HOUSING

Students will stay in budget hotels (double or triple occupancy).

MEALS

Breakfast is provided on the program. All other meals will be the responsibility of the student (except for break and dinner on the cruise). Students are encouraged to explore the culinary offerings available in each country.

Pantheon, Rome



**MIP reserves the right to make changes to the scheduled itinerary. Any changes will be discussed during orientation.*

PROGRAM COST OF \$4,000 INCLUDES:

- Roundtrip Airfare (NYC-Athens)
- Airport Transfer in Greece and Turkey
- Program Transportation in Greece and Turkey
- Accommodations (double or triple occupancy)
- 1 meal per day (breakfast)
- Breakfast and dinner included on 3-day cruise
- Site visits (entrance fees to designated venues)
- Health Insurance
- Travel Insurance

COSTS NOT INCLUDED:

- 3-credits Marist tuition
- 2 meals per day (except on cruise)
- Optiona Rome excursion (\$995)
- Personal expenses, transportation and excursions
- Passport and visa (if required)
- Departure tax (if required)
- US Airport Transfer
- Gratuities

IMPORTANT PROGRAM NOTES

- All students are required to purchase trip cancellation insurance. This cost is included in the program fee.
- Fluctuating exchange rates, airline and other fees may lead to costs changes.
- Program fees are based on a minimum number of participants (generally 12-14) for the program.
- Refund Policy: Please speak with the short-term coordinator for specific information on Marist International Programs short-term program refund policy prior to making any payments for the program. Your \$300 non-refundable deposit indicates your acceptance of the Refund Policy.
- Applicants should demonstrate flexibility and a sincere desire to increase their understanding of Greek and Turkish culture and society, and should possess the emotional strength to adjust to a foreign environment.
- Marist International Programs reserves the right to modify or cancel the program as dictated by current weather, economic and/or political situations. This may include changes to the scheduled itinerary or program dates.
- All fees will be refunded if a program is cancelled.
- Information in this brochure is subject to change.

PROGRAM TUITION

This Spring Attachment course can be taken as part of your 2011 Spring Semester course load. If you decide to take this course in addition to your regular full-time course load (16 credits maximum), you will be responsible for any additional per-credit charge (\$634 per undergraduate credit). Tuition is not included in the program cost.

All payments, including the \$300 non-refundable deposit, should be made online by check or credit through the Student Financial Services payment gateway at <http://www.marist.edu/financialaid/payment.html>. Note: A 2% convenience fee is assessed for all credit card transactions.



PROGRAM REGISTRATION PAYMENTS AND DEADLINES

November 19, 2010 \$300 Deposit
(non-refundable)
SPRING ADD/DROP

Students are required to pay all fees and costs for the program if course is added during Late Spring 2011 Add/Drop.

PAYMENT SCHEDULE

Program cost is included with the Spring Tuition bill and is payable by the Spring Bill due date which is early January.

TuitionPay offers a Spring only monthly payment plan option. Contact 1.800.635.0120 or visit their website at www.tuitionpay.com for additional information. Spring plans can be spread over four (4) months, and can be set up in November with first payment due in December.

Alternative loans: visit our website at <http://www.marist.edu/financialaid> for information on alternative loans.

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