MARIST IN ITALY & GERMANY
May 28 - June 11, 2010

THE PROGRAM

The course will first start in Rome, where you will explore the history and culture of this remarkable city. Students will have the opportunity to experience Rome in ways not available to the average traveler: a tour of the Sistine Chapel; a tour of the excavations under Saint Peter’s Basilica, where there is a well-preserved Roman necropolis believed by the Church to be the final resting place of Saint Peter; an audience with Pope Benedict XVI; a tour of the Roman Forum; visits to historical and cultural sites in Rome.

After 5 days, the program will move to Munich, where students will explore the rich history and culture of Germany’s third largest city. Students will also spend one day in Oberammergau at the world famous Passion Play.

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.

SCHEDULE PROGRAM ITINERARY*

Rome
Rome means history. There’s layers of the stuff - Etruscan tombs, Republican meeting rooms, imperial temples, early Christian churches, medieval bell towers, Renaissance palaces and baroque basilicas. In this city a phenomenal concentration of history, legend and monuments coexists with an equally phenomenal concentration of people busily going about their everyday life. And it’s hard to say what you’ll find most breathtaking about the eternal city - the opulence of the Vatican, the timelessness of the Forum, the top speed of a Fiat Bambino, the millions of cats in the Colosseum, trying to cross a major intersection, or the bill for your latte. You can make like the locals and souse your senses in the pleasures the city has to offer, from the grandiose thrill of feeling centuries of turbulent history under your feet to the small but potent intoxication of eating chestnut gelato on a hot day.

Munich
Pulsing with prosperity and Gemütlichkeit (cosiness), Munich (München) revels in its own contradictions. Folklore and age-old traditions exist side by side with sleek BMWs, designer boutiques and high-powered industry. Its museums include world-class collections of artistic masterpieces, and its music and cultural scenes give Berlin a run for its money.

Despite all its sophistication, Munich retains a touch of provincialism that visitors find charming. The people’s attitude is one of live-and-let-live – and Münchener will be the first to admit that their ‘metropolis’ is little more than a Weltdorf, a world village.

Oberammergau
The Oberammergau Passion Play was first performed in 1634 and is the result of a vow made by the inhabitants of Oberammergau that if God spared them from the effects of war, poverty and the bubonic plague then sweeping the region, they would perform a passion play every ten years. The play is now performed in years ending with a zero, except 1984 which was the 350th anniversary, and involves over 2000 actors, singers, instrumentalists and technicians, all residents of the village.

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

Visits to local sites will be part of the academic experience. A complete list of excursion sites will be provided during orientation.

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. Students are encouraged to explore the culinary offerings available in each country.

*The MAP reserves the right to make changes to the scheduled itinerary. Any changes will be discussed during orientation.
PROGRAM COST OF $3,800.00 INCLUDES:

- Roundtrip Airfare (NYC-Rome/Munich-NYC)
- Airport Transfer in Italy and Germany
- Program Transportation in Italy and Germany
- Accommodations (double or triple occupancy)
- 1 meal per day (breakfast)
- Site visits (entrance fees to designated venues)
- Entrance fees for the Oberammergau Passion Play
- Health Insurance

COSTS NOT INCLUDED:

- 3-credits Marist tuition
- 2 meals per day
- Personal expenses, transportation and excursions
- Passport and visa (if required)
- Taxes and surcharges (airline, airport and departure)
- US Airport Transfer
- Gratuities

SPACE IS LIMITED!!

PROGRAM NOTES

- Graduating Seniors: Please note that students participating in a Spring Attachment course will be able to participate in the May Commencement Ceremony. Your actual graduation date upon which your degree is conferred will be August 31, as your Spring Attachment coursework will not be completed until after the May 31 conferral date. Your diploma will be mailed to you in early September.
- Fluctuating exchange rates, airline and other fees may lead to cost changes.
- Program fees are based on a minimum number of participants in the program. Refund Policy: Please speak with the 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 Italian and German 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 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 REGISTRATION PAYMENTS AND DEADLINES

**November 20, 2009** $300.00 Deposit (non-refundable)  
**SPRING ADD/DROP**

**January 25, 2010** LATE SPRING ADD/DROP

Students are required to pay all fees and costs for the program if course is added during Late Spring 2010 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.