Baylor in Greece and Turkey

OVERVIEW

Term: Summer 1

Dates: May 30 - June 25, 2024

Baylor in Greece and Turkey is a study-abroad program that offers Baylor students the opportunity to travel to the birthplaces of Western Civilization and Culture. We will climb to the top of the Acropolis to see the Parthenon in Athens, alongside Mars Hill from which St. Paul once preached to the Greek philosophers. We will seek wisdom through dialogue with one another in the Athenian agora, as Socrates and Plato did so many centuries ago. We will run in the original Olympic stadium, travel to the heights of Delphi, and visit the ruins of ancient Troy and Miletus, as we journey across the wine-dark sea of the Aegean.

We will visit the archaeological sites of New Testament Christian churches at Pergamum, Corinth, Ephesus, Laodicea, and more. From the ancient sites where Christianity first came to Europe to the magnificent Greek Orthodox churches of today, we will see how the faith has been practiced by Christians from centuries ago and in our own age. We will visit the Greek isles of Samos and Patmos. On Patmos, we will visit the Cave of the Revelation, where St. John received the vision which became the book of Revelation. In Istanbul, we will visit Hagia Sophia, the most important church in Christendom for almost a thousand years, as well as important mosques like the Sultan Ahmed Mosque.

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ACADEMICS

Baylor in Turkey and Greek participants take Baylor Interdisciplinary Core (BIC), Great Texts, Religion or Philosophy courses while visiting sites of utmost cultural, historic, political, and intellectual worth. The program's courses meet various degree requirements for most students. For example, in the B.A./B.S. degrees at Baylor, a PHI course fulfills a social science requirement and a GTX course fulfills a literature requirement.

All students are required to register for two courses from the following:

- BIC 2330: Social World I: The City and the Soul
- **BIC 3358**: Biblical Heritage and Contemporary Issues
- GTX 2301: Intellectual Tradition of the Ancient World
- **GTX 4V99**: Pilgrimage and Martyrdom
- PHI 1308: Contemporary Moral Problems
- **PHI 3310**: Classical Philosophy
- **REL 3314**: Paul and His Writings
- BIC 4389 / GTX 4V99 / REL 4300: Pilgrimage and Martyrdom

COST

The breakdown of costs is as follows:

- Program Fee (\$3,250)
- Baylor Tuition (\$1,575/credit hour)—2 courses required
- Study Abroad Fee (\$50/credit hour)
- Transatlantic Airfare
- Lunches

The program fee covers the following expenses:

- All breakfasts and dinners
- Housing
- Airport Transfers upon arrival and departure
- Ground transportation to hotels and all planned excursions
- Airfare from Athens to Samos
- Ferries from Samos to Patmos and from Patmos to Kusadasi, Turkey
- Turkish Visa

Financial Aid applies to study abroad programs as it would for on-campus courses. Be sure to discuss your financial aid package with a Financial Aid advisor to determine how your aid applies to summer. Scholarships are available through a variety of sources, which you are encouraged to research and pursue.

APPLICATION PROCESS

To be eligible to study abroad, students must have completed one year (24 on-campus credit hours) at Baylor University prior to the program departure date and **maintain a 3.0 cumulative GPA**. Student Conduct records will be reviewed to determine eligibility for participation.

Baylor in Greece and Turkey is a competitive study abroad program. The program accepts up to 20 students for the summer term. Click "Apply Now" to begin your application today! Your application will not be considered for acceptance until you have completed all requirements in the Baylor in Greece and Turkey BearsAbroad application. Once your application is complete, it will be reviewed by the Program Director.

If accepted to the program, your space is not secure until a non-refundable \$1000 deposit has been received through your E-Bills account. In the event that the program fills before you have submitted a deposit, you will move to the program waitlist.

If you have an existing application to Baylor in Greece and Turkey, you can access it by logging into BearsAbroad.