

# Baylor in Greece and Türkiye

## OVERVIEW

**Term:** Summer 1

**Dates:** May 29 - June 25, 2025

Baylor in Greece and Türkiye (formerly Turkey) is a study-abroad program that offers Baylor students the opportunity to explore the ancient Hittite, Greek, Hellenistic, Roman, Byzantine, and Ottoman worlds as well as modern Greece and Türkiye. Greece and the western coast of Türkiye along the Aegean Sea are the birthplace of:

- western philosophy—such as Thales, Pythagoras, Socrates, Plato, and Aristotle,
- legendary epics about Trojan War at Troy,
- modern city planning,
- democracy,
- coin minting,
- Olympic contests,
- and early Christianity—visiting many places to which Paul went in his efforts to plant churches such as Troas, Ephesus, Miletus, Athens, Corinth.

We will see:

- the ancient healing center in Pergamum,
- the terrace houses of Ephesus,
- the magnificent tombs of Hierapolis and tholos tomb of Atreus,
- the mysteries of Elusia,
- the bema that Paul stood before in ancient Corinth as well as walk on the Roman road Paul traveled on to Assos,
- the cyclopean gates of Mycenae,
- the oracle at Delphi (the bellybutton of the world),
- the cave on Patmos where John received the visions in Revelation (we will visit archeological sites of 5 of the 7 churches addressed in Revelation),
- the friezes of the Sebastion in Aphrodisias,
- the stunning acropolis of Athens with the Parthenon,
- the Ottoman Topkapi Palace,
- the Hagia Sophia (the most important church in Christendom for a thousand years),
- the holy see of the Greek Orthodox Church
- the Blue Mosque, *and more*.

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## ACADEMICS

Baylor in Türkiye and Greece participants take Baylor Interdisciplinary Core (BIC), Great Texts, Religion or Classics courses while visiting sites of utmost cultural, historic, political, and intellectual worth. The program's courses meet various degree requirements for most students. Speak with your adviser to see how these courses can be used in your degree requirements for example, core requirements, major and minor requirements, or elective credit.

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
- **CLA 4368:** Art and Architecture in the Ancient Mediterranean World
- **REL 3314:** Paul and His Writings
- **BIC 4389 / GTX 4V99 / REL 4300:** Pilgrimage and Martyrdom

## COSTS

The breakdown of costs is as follows:

- **Program Fee (\$3,750)**
- Baylor Tuition (\$1,550/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
- Hotels
- Airport Transfers upon arrival and departure
- Ground transportation to hotels and to all planned excursions
- Airfare from Athens to Samos
- Ferries from Samos to Patmos and from Kusadasi to Samos
- Licensed Guides and access to all sites and museums
- Tips and Gratuity

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.

- <https://globalengagement.web.baylor.edu/study-abroad/steps-study-abroad/costs-and-funding/scholarships> (general scholarships)
- <https://honors.baylor.edu/current-students/scholarships-current-students/study-abroad-scholarships> (Honors College scholarships)
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## 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 Türkiye is a competitive study abroad program. **The program accepts up to 20 students for the summer term.** Click "Apply Now" in the link below 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 Türkiye 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 Türkiye, you can access it by logging into [BearsAbroad](#).