



# Travel to Central Europe

Global Social Problems (SOC-2010)

May 12-22, 2015

# Why Should You Take a Study Abroad Course?

- Have the experience of a lifetime
- Enhance your coursework through cultural immersion
- Have fun with fellow students and forge new friendships
- Expand your thinking
- Learn about yourself
- Enhance your resume
- Gain a new perspective on your own country



# Spring 2015: Global Social Problems

Travel to Central Europe is May 12-22, 2015

## ***Global Social Problems*** (SOC-2010)

This course examines contemporary problems in a global context such as poverty, social inequality, crime, religious and ethnic conflict, resource availability, population pressure and the spread of infectious diseases.

Topics covered will include the current state of social institutions and the nature of social change in Slovakia and Czech Republic while exploring how social problems are defined and perceived.



# Travel Highlights!

- Tour Vienna, Austria
- Tour Bratislava, Slovakia including the historic Old Town, cathedral and Bratislava Castle
- Tour West Slovakia including Čičmany, Trenčín Castle, Čachtice Castle and Bradlo monument
- Visit UNESCO World Heritage Site – Kutna Hora on the way to Prague, Czech Republic
- Tour Prague including the Old Town center, Jewish Quarter, Charles Bridge, Mala Strana and the Lennon Wall
- Visit the Museum of Communism and Radio Free Europe
- Half day Service Learning project in Prague





# Meet the Instructor



Michael Guyer lived in Slovakia for almost four years, first as a Peace Corps volunteer and as an intern with the United Nations Development Program. His knowledge of Slovakia and the Czech Republic will enhance the students experience. In addition to working as a CCV faculty member since 2012, Michael works full-time for the University of Vermont in the Office of International Education.

# *Where Are We Going?*

Days 1 and 10 are travel to and from Central Europe

- Prague, Czech Republic
- Bratislava, Slovakia
- Vienna, Austria



# When Will This Course Meet?



- This is a **hybrid course** with four class meetings at the [Montpelier Academic Center](#), an online component, and a 10-day travel experience
- **CCV General Education Requirements:** This three credit course fulfills the either *global perspectives* or *human expressions*.

**Location:** [CCV-Montpelier](#) and Online

## **Class Meetings:**

- Saturday, February 14, 2015      10 am – 3 pm
- Saturday, March 14, 2015      10 am – 3 pm
- Saturday, April 11, 2015      10 am – 3 pm
- Saturday, May 30, 2015      10 am – 3 pm



# How Much Does the Course Cost?

**The course fee is \$3,779 and includes lodging, activity fees, tips and transportation costs.**

## **Course fee includes:**

- 11-day study tour in Central Europe
- Airfare to and from Boston, MA
- Daily European breakfast & 4 dinners
- All ground transportation
- All tips and program activities fees
- Supplemental medical insurance while in Europe.

## **What does the fee NOT include?**

- Course Tuition
- Passport fees
- Transportation to and from Logan International Airport, MA
- Meals other than those listed above and those provided on the flights.
- Any additional airline taxes or fees due to fuel costs will be announced and will be the student's responsibility to pay.
- Any substantial change in the Dollar to Euro currency exchange rate may result in increased cost to students.
- Spending money



Financial Aid and/or the payment plan can be applied towards the course fee.

The course fee is subject to change based on course enrollment and airline fuel and tax surcharges

Course tuition is separate.



# Things to Consider

- This is a tightly structured, highly **academic program** – **NOT a vacation**.
- Students should understand that they **will be doing a fair amount of physical activity and must be in good health**.
- Students with a criminal record should be prepared to discuss this with airport security. Students who think they may have **any** outstanding warrants should know they may be detained.
- Using **illegal drugs and excessive drinking is simply not permitted**.
- All issues pertaining to **student behavior and course participation** are subject to special Conditions of Participation and those of the college in general as noted in the student handbook (e.g. Disruptive Student policy).
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# Passport Information

- Valid [Passports](#) are required for all travelers
- Passports may take up to fourteen weeks to process
- Non-U.S. citizens [may require special visas](#) or other travel documents
- All student travelers will be responsible for securing necessary documentation and carrying the documentation while in Central Europe.
- Passports must be valid for at least six months after May 2015 (must be valid until November 2015).



# How Can I Enroll?

**CCV Study Abroad application packets are available at [www.ccv.edu/studyabroad](http://www.ccv.edu/studyabroad).**

**Submit a completed application packet to [linda.schlott@ccv.edu](mailto:linda.schlott@ccv.edu) or fax to 828.2805.**

The application packet has four sections:

1. Conditions of Participation
2. Publicity and Passport Information form
3. Authorization for Emergency Medical Care and Emergency Contact Information form
4. Statement of Purpose

- **We are only accepting 16 into the program.**
- **To qualify for CCV study abroad a student must:**
  - **Be in good academic standing. Instructors' comments will be taken into consideration as a part of the approval process.**
  - **Demonstrate the ability to pay: financial aid/payment plan/cash**
- **Submit a completed application packet.**
- **Study Abroad Committee will review applications in the order received.**
- **Notification of approval for study abroad will be as soon as possible after receipt of application.**
- **Once the student has been approved, s/he will be contacted by Linda Schlott. Linda will enroll students into the course.**
- **Approval for study abroad does not guarantee a place in the course. Enrollment for approved students happens on a first come, first served basis, as with any other course.**

# Study Abroad with CCV

Here's what some CCV students have to say about study abroad...

*"Combining the travel with the knowledge gained prior to landing on foreign turf is a wonderful way of reaching out to the global community."*

*"It was a magical experience, traveling throughout the small towns, seeing the incredible scenery and feeling the presence of the history of Ireland everywhere I went."*

*"In 2009 I was able to participate in the "Study Away" class to New Orleans to immerse ourselves in the culture 4 years post-Katrina. We worked with families in the Lower 9<sup>th</sup> Ward helping them to rebuild their homes and their lives. It was a life-changing experience for me each and every day."*

*"The experience is well worth the investment of both time and money."*

*"It will be life-changing. The experience is indescribable. You will learn so much about yourself & your classmates."*

## FUTURE STUDY ABROAD

Summer 2015: *Forest Ecology* –  
Olympia National Park Washington State

