

## History and Political Science

Professors know that one of the best ways to bring history and political science to life is to bring students to the places where important events took place. The experience of being in the actual place makes it possible for students to put themselves in the place and time and imagine themselves there. This sparks new curiosity and an appreciation for the complexity of historical events. Similarly, the issues associated with political parties, systems, and contemporary issues are often best explored by visiting the countries and regions involved, interviewing local people, and getting a feel for the way political issues are lived out in person.

### Program Objectives

#### Global Education & World Citizenship

International learning is an integral feature of successful higher and continuing education. Students must connect not only with world heritage but gain perspectives that come from engagement with other lands, peoples and traditions. We are an increasingly interconnected world that invites us to embrace a global community.

#### Make History and Political Science Come to Life

Travel to places where important historical change took place inspires transformation in participants. The people, places and events of a particular epoch come to life and make it possible for students to see themselves there and put together facts, dates, people and.

#### Inspire or Renew Curiosity

Students who return from overseas bring a new energy and curiosity to their studies and interests. They return more eager to learn, and many begin to imagine new professional goals that include international options or that benefit from enhanced intercultural respect and compassion.

The way we travel the world is always changing but the reasons remain constant— to become citizens of the world, *leading and inspiring respectful and compassionate ways of life*. People who travel the globe begin a lifelong journey of worldly citizenship to gain valuable insight about themselves and the world around them through the discovery & exploration of cultures outside their own.

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### Program Destinations

#### Turkey and Greece

Turkey and Greece are great venues for studying classical Greek and Roman culture. Great archaeological parks bring history to life and provide the context for exploring classical political philosophy. This is also a great region for exploring Byzantine history and religion, the Ottoman Empire, contemporary politics, and international business.

#### England, Ireland, and Scotland

England, Ireland and Scotland are great venues for studying early Celtic civilization and later influence of Roman, Norman, Saxon and other peoples on the unfolding of a complex history. Explore the history of the English and Scottish reformations, political issues in the UK, and the impact of WWI and WWII.

#### Germany and Eastern Europe

There are many opportunities to develop programs that explore the history of the holocaust and WWII, combining visits in Germany, Czech Republic and Poland. Germany is a great venue for exploring the Reformation – combining visits here with ones in Switzerland (Zurich and Geneva). Explore international business and the politics of modern Europe. Study medieval history in evocative cities around the country.

#### Rome

The vast Roman Empire was more than a historical political reality. It has served as a metaphor for countless ages who have sought to replicate its greatness in various cultural and political incarnations.

#### Other venues

Illume has expertise in other areas including Spain, France, Portugal and other European and Middle Eastern countries.

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