

**Wisconsin Lutheran College**  
**Central Europe: International Travel Course**  
**POL-390 (3 credits)**

**Instructors: Dr. Jason Badura (Politics & Law) & Prof. Sibylle Krause (German)**  
**Spring 2021 Semester / (Travel Dates: May 27<sup>th</sup> – June 9<sup>th</sup>, 2021)**



Students have an amazing opportunity to participate in a thirteen-day international study tour to Central Europe. This is an interdisciplinary designed course that brings together culture, history, politics, and law. The central theme of the course focuses upon the concept of “collective remembrance”, or how contemporary societies such as these reflect upon their pasts through various physical and abstract ways. Among the many sites students will visit include:

- Munich/Nuremberg:** Neuschwanstein Castle (the Model for Disney’s Famous Castle), Linderhof Palace (built by King Ludwig II of Bavaria), Munich’s Olympic Stadium and Park, Dachau Concentration Camp, Bavarian Alps, Karlskirche, and several World War II historical sites and memorials.
- Vienna:** Mozart’s home and museum (Figaro House), St. Stephens Cathedral, Schönbrunn & Belvedere Palaces, Riesenrad (ferris wheel) at the Prater, experience of world-famous coffeehouse culture, outdoor markets, architectural novelty - *Hundertwasserhaus*, and a boat tour along the Danube river valley.
- Budapest:** Buda Castle & Church, Hungarian National Parliament, St. Stephens Basilica, St. Matthias Cathedral, and the Dohany Street Synagogue (largest synagogue in Europe).

**Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs):**

- Who may participate?*** WLC students, faculty, staff, and “Friends of WLC” (e.g., parents, siblings, alumni).
- Are there any academic prerequisites?*** None (including no prior language courses or aptitude)
- Does this fulfill a general education or Honors program credit requirement?*** This course fulfills the “Creative Thinking” and the “Intercultural Knowledge” general education distribution requirements; it also fulfills the Honors program international study requirement.
- How and when will the course be taught?*** The course will be offered during the Spring 2021 semester. Students will meet in eight 2 hour sessions (TBD) on the WLC campus prior to traveling abroad. Total course time and workload will be allocated evenly between the Spring campus classes and the onsite travel period.
- What is the cost per participant?*** \$3,650. ***What does the cost include?*** Three academic credits, airfare, train fare, lodging, daily buffet breakfast, entrance fees to all sites, local transportation, health/travel/cancellation insurance policies. ***What does the cost not include?*** Course text books, passport origination or renewal fees, lunches, dinners, travel to/from Chicago’s O’Hare Airport/home & personal spending money.
- When is money due?*** \$1,150 deposit is due at time of enrollment; remaining \$2,500 due by 3/5/21. All payments are made directly to the WLC Business Office.
- Is financial aid an option?*** A student’s financial aid package may apply toward some portion of the cost of the course. Please contact Ms. Linda Loeffel, Director of Financial Aid, to inquire into this possibility.
- Who should I contact for more information?*** Dr. Jason Badura ([jason.badura@wlc.edu](mailto:jason.badura@wlc.edu)) or Prof. Sibylle Krause ([sibylle.krause@wlc.edu](mailto:sibylle.krause@wlc.edu))