SHORT RESIDENTIAL UNITS OVERSEAS – WINTER VACATION 2011 PROGRAMS

University of Split
Faculty of Philosophy
Croatian short term program
July 2011 - TBC
Macquarie application deadline: April 20th 2011

Overview
The University of Split was officially established on 15 June 1974, as a predominant scientific and teaching institution in the region. The University of Split has expanded during the course of the past 30 years to include nine Faculties, one Academy of Arts, two University colleges and two University Departments as well as several institutes and scientific units.

Program description
Three language programs will be offered in July:
1. Introductory Croatian language and culture course (advanced beginners)
2. Intermediate Croatian language and culture course
3. Advanced Croatian language and culture course

All programs will include:
- Croatian language course
- Introduction to Croatian culture, history and geography course
- Field trips to Island of Hvar and Dubrovnik
- 45 hours of individual work with prepared material

Cultural Components
The program will include two field trips: Island of Hvar and Dubrovnik – 20 hours

Island of Hvar – 10 hours
Hvar is a Croatian island in the Adriatic Sea, located off the Dalmatian coast, lying between the islands of Brač, Vis and Korčula. Approximately 68 km (42.25 mi) long, with a high east-west ridge of Mesozoic limestone and dolomite, the island of Hvar is unusual in the area for having a large fertile coastal plain, and fresh water springs. Its hillsides are covered in pine forests, with vineyards, olive groves, fruit orchards and lavender fields in the agricultural areas. The climate is
characterized by mild winters, and warm summers with many hours of sunshine. The island has 11,103 residents, making it the 4th most populated of the Croatian islands.

Dubrovnik – 10 hours

Dubrovnik is a Croatian city on the Adriatic Sea coast in the extreme south of Dalmatia, positioned at the terminal end of the Isthmus of Dubrovnik. It is one of the most prominent tourist destinations on the Adriatic, a seaport and the center of Dubrovnik-Neretva County. Its population was 43,770 in 2001 down from 49,728 in 1991. In 1979, the city of Dubrovnik joined the UNESCO list of World Heritage Sites.

Proposed Itinerary

A final itinerary for the course will be distributed to students by the beginning of June.

Student Profile

This program is specifically designed for Croatian language students at Macquarie University. The short term programs are primarily for students undertaking a study program with a language major at Macquarie University (BA/BIntStud/Dipl.Lang.). Only in exceptional circumstances, students from other faculties who have been studying a language at Macquarie will be permitted to participate, provided the credit they gain from the program can be applied to their degree.

Student Numbers

A maximum of 10 Macquarie students can enrol in the relevant unit and participate in the course

Outcome

- Advancement of Croatian language skills
- Language immersion in Split
- Acquisition of credit points towards a Macquarie award program

Timing and Duration of Program

The program will run for 3 weeks, dates to be confirmed. Students must be present for the entirety of the course, including the whole of the first and last days.

Assignment and Assessment

Students will be required to undertake a final exam as part of the course. Attendance at all classes is mandatory.
Students are expected to:

- Attend classes
- Prepare their homework
- Participate actively
- Pass all scheduled tests

**Assessment:**
Written and oral exams as well as report presentations

**Credit**
Students participating in the course will be enrolled in CRO 180 or CRO 280 or CRO 380. All students must be enrolled for this credit, and standard tuition fees (HECS or full fee) are payable to Macquarie for the enrolment.

The cost of enrolment at Macquarie is not included in the logistics fee. Students cannot enrol themselves into the unit until they have been accepted into the program and a waiver has been entered.

The results will be recorded as “satisfactory” or “fail” and, provided you pass, will not affect your GPA. Please contact Carolina Rodriguez for further information regarding the enrolment process.

**Selection Criteria**

- Students must be enrolled in a relevant Macquarie University degree award program at the time of application and also at the time of travel
- Students must have a satisfactory level of academic achievement with a Macquarie University GPA of 2.5 or higher. In exceptional circumstances, students with a GPA of 2.0 - 2.5 may be considered for short term programs only on the advice of the Head of The Department of International Studies. Students should in the first instance contact Carolina Rodriguez carolina.rodriguez@mq.edu.au to outline their case for consideration.
- Students must receive credit points towards their MQ degree for their participation in this program
- Priority will be given to students that are currently enrolled in a degree with a language major at Macquarie University
- Students’ eligibility will be assessed according to the guidelines in the Student Mobility Policy. [http://www.international.mq.edu.au/goingabroad/important/student_exchange](http://www.international.mq.edu.au/goingabroad/important/student_exchange)
- Students will be selected to participate in the program based on academic merit, references and personal statement
• Students enrolled in a Certificate in Languages only are not eligible for travel grants
• Students enrolled in non award programs are not eligible to participate in the short term programs

Language students in their first year may participate in an in-country unit without having fulfilled the 18cp requirement on the following conditions:

• They are enrolled in a Bachelor degree program at Macquarie
• They are enrolled in both Semester 1 and Semester 2 units for their chosen language
• They obtain a recommendation from the Department of International Studies
• The short program in which they are participating is one that has been specifically designed for students going between 1st and 2nd semester language units
• The program offered is specifically established for a group of students who do not comply with the regular policy. If this is the case, it will be made clear in the documentation about the program

Travel Grant

• Eligible students participating in the program will receive a Macquarie travel grant of $2,000.
• These grants will be paid directly into students’ Australian bank accounts, provided they attend all compulsory information sessions and complete all required application forms and other documentation by the deadlines stated on those documents.
• Students enrolled in a Certificate in Languages are not eligible for travel grants.

OS – Help

In the event that you should require additional financial assistance, the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations (DEEWR) has announced the provision of loans to assist Australian students undertake some of their study towards their undergraduate degree overseas. The scheme is known as OS-HELP.

See further information on this link
http://www.international.mq.edu.au/goingabroad/process/accepted_exchange

Accommodation

Accommodation will be included as part of the logistics fee and all students will reside in the one accommodation option together. Accommodation details to be confirmed.
Cost
The logistics Fee for this program is estimated to be $1,200. We expect final fees to be confirmed by the end of April.

This fee would include:
- Application and service fee in Split University
- Shared Accommodation for 21 days (details to be confirmed
- Cultural activities
- Certificate including transcript of records

Macquarie International will provide:
- Travel insurance
- Pre-departure event
- Lonely planet guide – Croatia

Further information on the logistic fee payment process will be sent by email to successful candidates.

Additional costs
Students should expect to also pay the following amounts:
1. $110 Macquarie short term program application fee. For more information on this fee please visit http://www.international.mq.edu.au/goingabroad/shortterm/costs
2. Tuition fee for CRO 180 or CRO 280 or CRO380 Residential short-term program unit at Macquarie
3. Airfare: $2500-3000 (depending on time of booking)

Details of payment will be given once students have been accepted into the program.

How to Pay Relevant Fees
Application Fees (110 AUD) can be paid in two ways:

In person
EFTPOS and Credit Card payments can be made, in person, at the MiShop on Level 1 of building E3A. Please note that except in exceptional circumstances, it is not possible to make cash payments.

Online
Go to http://www.international.mq.edu.au/mishop
Select ‘Events for Exchange students’ on the left-hand menu. Then, select the International
Exchange Program Application Fee and add it to your cart to pay online. Further application on the logistic fees payment process will be sent by email to successful candidates.

How to Apply
The application form is online at:
https://www.international.mq.edu.au/goingabroad/

You will be asked for:
- Your application type (“Student Exchange”)
- Your personal details
- Your passport details
- Emergency contact details
- Your current study details
- Your university preferences and the units you hope to study at those universities
- A supporting statement, i.e., why do you want to go on exchange and what qualities do you think you have that will make you a good choice for the exchange program?
- Contact details for two referees

Remember to click the ‘Submit’ button to submit your application.
It should take around 20 – 30 minutes to complete the application. You can log out and log back in to finish it at a later date if necessary, but please remember to submit it by the deadline.

Evaluation
Students will be required to complete an online evaluation for Macquarie International before grades from Berlin can be transferred back to Macquarie. Students may also be required to undertake evaluations from Berlin.

Deadline
Student applications are due to Macquarie International by April 20th 2011

Notes for International Students
International students must still comply with Australian visa conditions for class attendance and pass rates whilst overseas – general requirements for international students, as dictated by the
ESOS Act, must still be met.

For more information please visit

International students are permitted to travel home before and/or after their program.

### Further Information

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