SHORT RESIDENTIAL UNITS OVERSEAS – WINTER VACATION 2012 PROGRAMS

Jagiellonian University

Polish language – all levels

1st July – 22nd July 2012 (3 weeks)

Macquarie application deadline: Monday 23rd April 2012

See also: http://www.plschool.uj.edu.pl/szkola-letnia/o-szkole

Overview

The Jagiellonian University, founded in 1364, is the oldest university in Poland and the second oldest university north of the Alps. Located in one of the most beautiful European cities, ancient Kraków, the Jagiellonian University offers foreigners a unique opportunity not only to study Polish language, culture and society, but also to experience over 600 years of its history, magnificent architecture, and art.

The Jagiellonian University School of Polish Language and Culture, was founded in 1969 and is the oldest, largest and most experienced language school in Poland.

Students will gain credit towards their Macquarie award program and enhance their language skills through this three-week immersion program.

Program description

This course is for students of all levels of Polish language.

The course combines intensive language classes with a taste of Polish traditions and customs. The language classes are designed to build a firm linguistic foundation. Students will receive 75 hours of language instruction, taught with a focus on improving communication skills.

Optional social and cultural activities will be arranged, including sightseeing visits of Krakow and surrounding places of interest.
Student Profile

This program is specifically designed for Polish language students at Macquarie University.

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

Places available

A maximum of 5 Macquarie students can enrol in the relevant unit and participate in the course.

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 completed 18 credit points towards their degree, with exceptions outlined below.
- Students must have 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 Joanna Rosenzweig joanna.rosenzweig@mq.edu.au to outline their case for consideration.
- Students must require credit points towards their MQ degree for their participation in this program
- Priority will be given to students undertaking Polish as a compulsory unit in their degree ie. Student enrolled in a Bachelor of International Studies and students 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
- Students will be selected to participate in the program based on academic merit, references and personal statement
- Students enrolled in non-award programs are not eligible to participate in the short term
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 (100 level credit)
- 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

**Timing and Duration of Program**

The program will run for 3 weeks, from 2nd July to 22nd July. (Students must arrive on 1st July)
Students must be present for the entire duration of the course, including the whole of the first and last days.

**Accommodation**

Students will be housed in a dormitory in double rooms. Single rooms are available at an extra cost. There is one bathroom per two rooms. The dormitory is fully equipped with towels, sheets etc. At the dormitory there is a club, cafeteria and post office, as well as a newspaper and souvenir stall. Students will be able to access the Internet inside their own room, using their own properly configured laptop.

Meals are served three times a day in the students' cafeteria. Special dietary arrangements can be arranged for vegetarians.

The School cannot assist participants in finding private accommodation.
Details of the accommodation can be found below:

"PIAST" Dormitory
ul. Piastowska 47
30-067 Kraków

telephone:
+48(12) 6223 100 (reception desk)
+48(12) 6223 [your room number]

www.bratniak.krakow.pl
piast@hotele.studenckie.pl

Assignment and Assessment

Attendance at and participation in all classes is mandatory. To obtain credit for the program students must complete all requirements of the course.

The final grade for all language courses is a result of the following scores:
– attendance and class work (20%)
– midterm test (30%)
– final exam (50%)

Students who miss more than 10% of the Polish language classes (without excuse) may not take the Polish language exam.

The final exam will be held on the last day of classes.

Students who pass the final language exams and meet attendance requirements receive a Jagiellonian University Polish Language Certificate (Świadectwo Językowe Uniwersytetu Jagiellońskiego).

On request Jagiellonian will also send a Transcript of Studies which states the number of instruction hours, the level of the language course and/or the titles of other courses taken, and a grade or grades.
Credit

Students participating in the course will be enrolled in the appropriate residential language unit at Macquarie (PLH131, PLH231 or PLH331). All students must be enrolled into one of these units to receive credit. Standard tuition fees (HECS or full fee) for the enrollment are payable to Macquarie.

Please note the cost of enrollment at Macquarie is not included in the logistics fee.

Students cannot enroll 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 they pass, will not affect their GPA.

Mobility Scholarships

Eligible students participating in the program will receive a Macquarie mobility scholarship to help cover costs while overseas.

Mobility scholarships are intended to assist students in participating in student mobility programs.

While the scholarships will assist in meeting program expenses, they are not intended to cover all costs and cannot be processed on demand. Grants are processed after the pre-departure session, close to the start date of the overseas program.

Applicants will need to be able to meet the costs of the program independently of the mobility scholarship.

Students do NOT need to apply for the mobility scholarship separately. Students accepted into the program will be automatically be eligible for the scholarship. Further details will be provided to successful applicants.

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](http://www.international.mq.edu.au/goingabroad/process/accepted_exchange)

Eligible students can collect hard copy OS-Help applications from Macquarie International, E3A, Level 1.

**Fees and Costs**

To apply to participate in the program, all students must submit an application to Macquarie International via the online application system.

There is an **application fee** of $110 to apply for any short-term program. This fee must be received by the application deadline, and must be paid either in person at the MI Shop in Building E3A (payable by EFTPOS or credit card only), or online at the MI Shop webpage: [http://www.international.mq.edu.au/mishop/products/Stock.asp?c=16](http://www.international.mq.edu.au/mishop/products/Stock.asp?c=16)

Successful students will also be required to cover the following costs:

- **Logistics fee** to Macquarie (see below for an explanation of this fee)
- **Tuition fee** for the residential language unit at Macquarie
- **Airfare** (price subject to change depending on time of booking) Students must not purchase airfares or make travel arrangements until they have been formally accepted by Jagiellonian.
- **Living expenses** for the duration of the program.

The logistic fee for the Jagiellonian 2012 program is yet to be finalised. This will not be finalised until after students have applied and been accepted. The fee for the 2011 program was $1200. Please note that the 2011 fee is a guideline only and is subject to change for 2012.

The logistics fee includes:

- academic program
- tourist program (during weekends)
- permanent assistance of a qualified personnel (residence assistants),
- room (in a double room) in the student dormitory
- board
Further information on the logistic fees payment process will be sent by email to successful candidates.

**Note**: For cancellations made before May 15 2012, fees will be refunded minus the non-refundable application and service fee. After that date, no fees are refundable.

**How to Pay Relevant Fees**

The Macquarie application fee (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](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 information about the logistic fees payment process will be provided to successful candidates.

**How to Apply**

The application form is online at:
[https://www.international.mq.edu.au/goingabroad/](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 Jagiellonian can be transferred back to Macquarie. Students may also be required to undertake evaluations from Jagiellonian.

**Application deadline**

Student applications are due to Macquarie International by the **Monday 23rd April 2012**.

**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.

It is recommended that international students check with the Polish Embassy or Consulate whether a visa is required for their stay in Poland.

**Further Information**

| Students should direct initial enquiries to: |
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| Overseas Study Adviser |


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