SHORT RESIDENTIAL UNITS OVERSEAS – WINTER VACATION 2011 PROGRAMS

Jagiellonian University

4 - 24 July 2011 (3 weeks)

Macquarie application deadline: April 29th 2011

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, part of the Center for Polish Language and Culture in the World within the Faculty of Polish Studies, organizes short-term individual courses, “Semester Abroad” as well as summer programs. Founded in 1969, the School is the oldest, largest and most experienced in Poland. Apart from the rich academic program, the School organizes visits to Kraków’s finest museums, concert halls, and theatres, as well as field trips. The warm student community atmosphere of the School Program offers all participants a truly memorable and enlightening experience.

Program description
The language courses combine intensive language classes with a taste of Polish traditions and customs. The course is designed to build a firm linguistic foundation and structured in accordance with the level specifications defined by the Association of Language Testers in Europe (ALTE) and with the curricula adopted by the Polish Ministry of Science and Higher Education for the purpose of the state certification of competence in Polish as a second language.

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 (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 5 Macquarie students can enroll in the relevant unit and participate in the course

Outcome
- Advancement of Polish language skills
- Language immersion in Krakow
- Acquisition of credit points towards a Macquarie award program

Timing and Duration of Program
The program will run for 3 weeks, from July 4th to July 24th. (arrival date: July 3) Students must be present for the entirety of the course, including the whole of the first and last days.

Assignment and Assessment
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.

Credit
Students participating in the course will be enrolled in the appropriate Residential Unit (PLH131, PLH231 or PLH331). All students must be enrolled for one of these credits. Standard tuition fees (HECS or full fee) for the enrollment are payable to Macquarie. 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.

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
- 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.
Additional scholarship

One eligible student participating in the program will receive the The Henryk Skrzyński Memorial Scholarship of $2,000.

The purpose of the scholarship established by the Skrzyński’s family and to be offered by the Polish Studies Foundation is to encourage students to study Polish language and culture in Poland and to assist them in covering the associated travel costs, or costs of studies.

See further information on this link  [http://www.eurolang.mq.edu.au/polish/scholarships.html](http://www.eurolang.mq.edu.au/polish/scholarships.html)

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)

Accommodation

Students will live in a dormitory in double rooms (with one bathroom per two rooms), 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. The participant can access the Internet inside his/her room, using his/her own properly configured laptop.

The School cannot assist participants in finding private accommodation.

Address:

"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](http://www.bratniak.krakow.pl)
[piast@hotele.studenckie.pl](mailto:piast@hotele.studenckie.pl)
Board
Meals are served three times a day in the students' cafeteria. Special dietary arrangements are possible for vegetarians.

Cost
The Logistics Fee for this program is estimated in $1,200.
The cost of the program includes:
- academic program (except textbooks. Approximate cost of textbooks: $20),
- 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 2011, fees will be refunded minus the $120- non-refundable application and service fee. After that date, no fees are refundable.

Additional costs
Students should expect to also pay the following amounts:
1. $110 Macquarie short term 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 the Residential unit at Macquarie
3. Airfare: $2500-3000 (depending on time of booking)

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/](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 Poland can be transferred back to Macquarie. Students may also be required to undertake evaluations from Poland.

**Deadline**
Student applications are due to Macquarie International by the **29th April 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.
International students are permitted to travel home before and/or after their program.

Further Information

Students should direct initial enquiries to:
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Consultation hours:
Mon - Tues – Thurs (From 10a.m. to 12p.m. and from 2p.m to 4 p.m.)

For more information please visit