Summer European Academy XVII – TAMU Faculty-led Summer Study Abroad Program focusing on EU and European political, economic and security affairs with programs in Passau, Germany (The University of Passau), Warsaw (Poland), Brussels (Belgium), and Paris (France).

- A program in collaboration with the University of Passau and the Centre International de formation européenne (CIFE).
- A cross-cultural program studying political, legal, economic, historical and cultural issues dealing with the governance system of the European Union through multi-national and multi-cultural platform of organized and systematic learning in the field
- An annual program since 2002, 300 Aggie program alumni
- Designed for students who have aspirations to go into public service, law or international affairs, and/or who fundamentally wish to be inspired from and informed about global political and governance issues as a means to deepening and expanding their own understanding of the globalization process and who wish to enrich their skills of critical thinking and analysis
- Intended to expand student’s range of knowledge and familiarity with public affairs and governance outside the United States, inter-cultural communication, and a first-hand appreciation of globalization’s challenges to democracy
- The Summer European Academy concentrates on the traditional governance issues of the European Union through a focused attention on the traditional German-French partnership and vision of Europe, with Brussels offering the formal EU governance perspective and Warsaw the East-Central European complement to the traditional “western” EU perspective.
- Language: English
- Up-to 9-hours credit (including optional core curriculum humanities requirement; 3 hrs POLS485 in Spring 2018 (days/times TBA); 6 hrs POLS 306; optional 3 hrs LBAR332 (fulfilling a multi-cultural requirement) to substitute for 3 hrs of POLS306
- Two-week cross-cultural program with faculty and students at the University of Passau, Germany (Bavaria); with shorter visits and lectures/official venues in Warsaw, Brussels, and Paris.
- Safe and professional-standard hotel accommodations (3-4 star hotels) in convenient and centrally situated locations
- Extensive interaction with policy-makers, experts, academics, and journalists specializing in European affairs, EU and European nation-state governance, and security affairs. 35-40 guest lectures and field visits to government, academic think tanks, and official institutions of the EU and European nation-states.
- Scholarships available, including approximately 12-15 $1,000 awards issued on a rolling basis upon enrollment in program
- Open to any major
- Enrollment open (students are encouraged to apply early in order to secure financial aid and additional scholarship opportunities)
- Estimated Gross Program Price approx.. $7850 (excluding transatlantic airfare, TAMU tuition, and personal expenses). These figures are preliminary and not yet finalized, and are based on a program with minimum of approximately 15 students, with an exchange rate of 1.35 ($:€).
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- Details and application on-line http://pols.tamu.edu/undergraduate-studies/summer-european-academy/ (follow Undergraduate/Study Abroad link).