OFF-CAMPUS PROGRAMS

GENERAL POLICY

In addition to the standard fall and spring semester academic offerings at Asbury College, a variety of special programs may be pursued.

1. PARTICIPATION IN ANY AND ALL OFF-CAMPUS SPECIAL PROGRAMS REQUIRES THE APPROVAL OF THE ASSOCIATE ACADEMIC DEAN PRIOR TO APPLICATION AND ENROLLMENT. Students who enroll in such programs without this approval jeopardize any credits earned.

2. Students participating in off-campus programs are required to have a cumulative g.p.a. of 2.75 (some have higher g.p.a. requirements) and to have completed at least two semesters at Asbury College. Students seeking to participate in these programs should be advised that additional fees and tuition rates may apply. A student may not participate in the same program more than once and may not participate in more than two fall/spring semester programs.

3. For further information regarding any of these programs contact:
   Dr. T. L. Thomas, Associate Academic Dean

AMERICAN STUDIES PROGRAM

The American Studies Program is based on the principle of integrating faith, learning and living. Students spend a semester in Washington, D.C. earning academic credit by serving as interns and participating in a contemporary, issue-oriented seminar program. Internships are available in congressional offices, social service agencies, think tanks, cultural institutions and many other organizations. The American Studies Program is designed for juniors and seniors with a wide range of academic majors and vocational interests. (Dr. I. Adams)

AuSABLE INSTITUTE OF ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES

The AuSable Institute of Environmental Studies (Mancelona, Michigan) is a Christian environmental stewardship institute whose mission is to bring healing and wholeness to the biosphere and the whole of Creation. It does this through academic programs for college and university students, research projects, environmental education for local school children, and information services for churches, denominations, and the wider world community. Supported by the natural settings at both its sites in the Great Lakes Forest of northern Michigan and on Puget Sound in the Pacific Northwest, participants take courses, engage in scholarship, gain field

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experience, confer, and develop practical tools for environmental stewardship in programs that take seriously both science and theology. See Biology major for further information. (Dr. B. Baldridge)

AUSTRALIA STUDIES PROGRAM
The Australia Studies Centre at Wesley Institute (Sydney) seeks to prepare students to live the Christian life in a world that is religiously and culturally pluralistic, whether in Australia, North America, or other parts of the world. Students are encouraged to think through their role as kingdom builders in a Western world that is increasingly secular both intellectually and culturally. Students are further challenged to grapple with the meaning of being salt and light in the culture-shaping arena of the professional. Students may select courses in Integrative Studies, Theology, Music, Drama, and Design. (Dr. T. Thomas)

BOLIVIAN EVANGELICAL UNIVERSITY
Universidad Evangelica Boliviana (Bolivian Evangelical University), located in Santa Cruz, was founded in 1980 as the first private university in Bolivia and the first evangelical university in Spanish-speaking South America. It is an affiliate member of the Council of Christian Colleges and Universities (CCCU) and is fully accredited by the Bolivian government. It has about 1,500 students in a variety of undergraduate and graduate programs. (Dr. S. Thacker)

CHEZ VOUS SUMMER STUDY IN FRANCE
The Chez Vous Summer Study in France program is available through an arrangement with the Jacques LeFevre Institute. Located in Franceville, a small town on the Normandy coast, the program offers French studies in a Christian atmosphere, opportunities for developing relationships with inhabitants of the area, an extended stay in Paris, and excursions to churches and attractions in the region of the center. Participants enroll for 6 hours of French credit at one of three levels beginning with second-year French. Recommendation by the Asbury Foreign Language Department is required. (Dr. Thacker)

CHINA STUDIES PROGRAM
Students in the China Studies Program participate in seminar courses on the historical, cultural, religious, geographical and economic realities of this strategic and populous nation. In addition to the study of standard Chinese, students will assist Chinese students learning English. The program seeks to introduce students to the diversity of China, including Beijing, Shanghai and X-i-an. This interdisciplinary, cross-cultural program enables Christian students to deal with this increasingly important part of the world in an informed, Christ-centered way. (Dr. S. Pauler)

CONTEMPORARY MUSIC PROGRAM
Provides students the opportunity to understand the integration of music, faith and business. The Contemporary Music Program (Martha’s Vineyard, Massachusetts)

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offers two tracks: The Artist track is tailored to students considering careers as vocalists, musicians, songwriters, recording artists, performers, producers, and recording engineers. The Executive Track is designed for those considering careers as artist managers, agents, record company executives, music publishers, concert promoters, and industry entrepreneurs. Students receive instruction and experience from a Christian perspective while working to create and market a recording of original music. (Dr. D. Walker)

DAYSTAR UNIVERSITY
Daystar University located in Nairobi, Kenya enrolls approximately 1,700 students from a number of African nations. The university provides courses in accounting, biblical studies, business and management, Christian ministries, communications, community development, education, English, and music disciplines. Courses are also available that introduce students to the history, culture, literature, politics, art, music, and religions of Africa. All instruction is in English, offered by a faculty composed primarily of African nationals. (Dr. T. Thomas)

FOCUS ON THE FAMILY INSTITUTE
The Institute for Family Studies (Colorado Springs, Colorado) offers a semester-long program of on-site instruction and field experiences aimed at addressing the causes and cures for fractured families, and helping students become equipped to reverse societal trends that cause harm to traditional family structures and beliefs. (Dr. T. Thomas)

FRANKFORT SEMESTER INTERNSHIP PROGRAM
The Frankfort Semester Internship Program (Frankfort, Kentucky), an initiative of the Association of Independent Kentucky Colleges and Universities (AIKCU), seeks to enhance students' academic, civic, and professional skills through internship experiences, public policy symposia, academic seminars and exposure to the ideas and perspectives of a variety of notable citizens. The interns will work directly with state legislators, government officials, and government liaisons in the crafting and passage of legislation. The program is intended for all upper-division and graduate students, regardless of major. Students must be motivated learners, have a deep curiosity about current events and the policy-making process, and be committed to fulfilling the requirements of the semester-long internships and seminars. (Dr. T. Thomas)

HONG KONG BAPTIST UNIVERSITY
Hong Kong Baptist University (Kowloon), a four-year institution founded in 1956, is committed to a distinctive mission of higher education which incorporates teaching, research and service, and which inculcates in all who participate, a sense of value that extends beyond the mere acquisition of knowledge. These commitments have developed from the University's heritage of Christian higher education within a
Chinese cultural setting. Students may apply to spend a semester receiving instruction in English at HKBU. (Dr. T. Thomas)

IRELAND – AN TOBAR NUA
Through An Tobar Nua, Foundation in Christ Ministries (FICM) offers Ministry Experience in Galway, Ireland. Geared for college students, this internship program provides a practical, personal, and biblically-based opportunity for evangelical outreach training in a foreign culture. This area of Ireland has a very secular worldview and a high drug and alcohol abuse culture with the attendant problems of unwanted pregnancy, addictions, life-controlling depression, and lifestyle challenges. The participant will also encounter multiple alternative spiritual belief systems. Students may enroll in this program through a consortium agreement with Taylor University. (Dr. T. Thomas)

JERUSALEM UNIVERSITY COLLEGE
Credit may be earned through the Jerusalem University College located in Jerusalem, Israel. Students study the history, language, culture, archaeology, geography and literature of the region, with a focus on enhancing their understanding of the Scripture. (Dr. O. Dickens)

LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES PROGRAM
An opportunity to live and learn in Latin America is available to students through the Latin American Studies Program. Located in San Jose, Costa Rica, the program gives students the opportunity to study the language, culture, politics, history, economics, ecology and religion of the region while living with a Costa Rican family. Students also participate in a service opportunity and travel for two weeks to surrounding countries. Two specialized academic tracks, International Business and Management and Tropical Sciences and Sustainability, are available to qualified students. (Dr. S. Thacker)

LOS ANGELES FILM STUDIES CENTER
The purpose of the Los Angeles Film Studies Center is to enable college students to serve in various aspects of the film industry with professional skill and Christian integrity. Located in Burbank near major production studios, the semester-long program combines seminar courses with internships in various segments of the film industry, providing the opportunity to explore the industry within a Christian context and from a liberal arts perspective. Participation in this program requires a cumulative g.p.a. of 2.75. (Dr. J. Owens)

LOS ANGELES TERM (AZUSA PACIFIC UNIVERSITY)
L.A. Term is a residential study and service semester in the heart of Los Angeles. It aims to equip undergraduate students to live out their faith and values in postmodern urban culture. Dependent on public transportation during the semester, students live with homestay families in Los Angeles, do an internship at a local community or

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government organization, and take classes at the L.A. Regional Center in Koreatown.
Students earn 15 semester units through a curriculum blending four academic components:
--An interdisciplinary urban culture-learning seminar (Urban Explorations, 3 units)
--A survey and analysis of various faiths (Urban Religious Movements, 3 units)
A semester-long internship within a community or government organization, combined
with a weekly seminar (Community Organization and Social Change, 6 units)
--A survey of the social dimensions of immigration into Southern California
(Immigrant L.A., 3 units) (Dr. T. Thomas)

MIDDLE EAST STUDIES PROGRAM
The Middle East Studies Program in Cairo, Egypt provides students with the
opportunity to study Middle Eastern cultures, religions and conflicts from within this
diverse and strategic region. Juniors and seniors participate in interdisciplinary
seminar classes, receive Arabic language instruction and serve as interns with various
organizations in Cairo. The MESP encourages and equips students to relate to the
Muslim world in an informed and constructive manner. (Dr. O. Dickens)

MURCIA UNIVERSITY
The University of Murcia located in the southeastern region of Spain between
Valencia and Andalusia provides an opportunity for study in Spanish. Murcia is a
city with a long history and many cultural opportunities. Academic study options
available parallel those of major European universities. Special approval required;
normally only for Spanish majors. (Dr. S. Thacker)

OXFORD SUMMER PROGRAMME
Based at Wycliffe Hall, this programme is designed for students looking to connect
Christian faith with the development of the West. Students do specialized work
under expert Oxford academics in the fields of History, Philosophy, Political
Philosophy, Religious Studies, English, or the History of Science. (Dr. D. Strait)

RESERVE OFFICERS’ TRAINING PROGRAM
Asbury College is affiliated with the Army and Air Force ROTC Programs through
the University of Kentucky. Substantial scholarships are available to qualified
students admitted to these programs.
1. Students interested in Air Force ROTC should contact AFROTC
Detachment 290, University of Kentucky, Lexington, Kentucky 40506-0028 (Phone:
859-257-7115) for details.
2. Students interested in Army ROTC should contact ROTC, 101 Barker Hall,
University of Kentucky, Lexington, Kentucky 40506 (Phone: 859-257-2696) for
details.
3. Students admitted to these programs may cross-register for courses through
the University of Kentucky. (For course details see UK Bulletin)

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RUSSIAN STUDIES PROGRAM
The Russian Studies Program enables juniors and seniors to spend a semester living and learning in Russia. Students study the Russian language and attend seminar courses on Russian culture, history and current political and economic issues. Program participants experience a variety of Russian environments, living for twelve weeks in Nizhni Nogorod and visiting both Moscow and St. Petersburg. The semester includes the opportunity to participate in a service project and to live with Russian families for a portion of the semester. (Dr. T. Thomas)

SCHOLARS’ SEMESTER IN OXFORD
The Scholars’ Semester in Oxford allows students to do intensive scholarship in this historic seat of learning. Working with academic tutors, students hone their skills and delve into the areas that interest them most. As visiting students of Oxford University and members of Wycliffe Hall, students have the privilege to live, study, and learn in one of the university’s historic halls. The SSO is designed for students interested in the fields of Theology, Biblical Studies, Education, Science, Pre-Med, Psychology, Business and the Humanities. Applicants are generally honors and other very high achieving students. (Dr. D. Strait)

SEMESTER IN SPAIN
Semester in Spain, a program of Trinity Christian College (Palos Heights, Illinois), has offered Spanish courses in Seville, Spain since 1977. The program combines challenging academic study (beginning, intermediate, and advanced levels) with practical opportunities for students to practice what they learn. With its location in Seville, Semester in Spain is designed to provide a rich academic and cultural experience as well as foster lasting relationships between students and their hosts. (Dr. S. Thacker)

TRAVEL PROGRAMS
Various departments sponsor travel courses on an occasional basis. Information will be available from the sponsoring department. Clearance and registration through the Office of the Associate Academic Dean is also required.

UGANDA STUDIES PROGRAM
The Uganda Studies Program (Kampala, Uganda) seeks to prepare students to live the Christian life in a world that is religiously and culturally pluralistic, whether in Africa, North America, or other parts of the world. The program seeks to introduce students to the dynamic world of the Global South, focused in the vibrant East African nation of Uganda. Christianity here is joyful and growing rapidly, even as it engage Islam and secularization. Students will move through this society first in the classes and dormitories of Uganda Christian University and then as humble learners observing places and people of interest around the country. (Dr. T. Thomas)

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WASHINGTON JOURNALISM CENTER
The Washington Journalism Center (Washington, D.C.) is an advanced, experiential semester on Capitol Hill that will cultivate professional news skills and encourage students to think through the implications of being a Christian working in the news media in a city that is home to the powerful and the powerless. (Prof. D. Wheeler)