

Study Abroad in France and Germany



LANGUAGES

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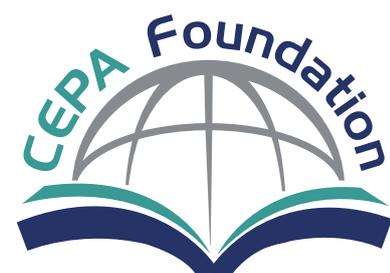


EU STUDIES

INTERNATIONAL
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Study Abroad

inspired by vision



Harald Leibrecht
CEPA Foundation President

Former Member of the German Parliament
and Coordinator for Transatlantic Cooperation

“The CEPA Foundation is a study abroad organization inspired by the vision of my father, Dr. Walter Leibrecht, who in 1964, brought the first group of study abroad students from the USA to Germany. His innovative thinking and ambitious goals for global education started with just one idea: to bring cultures together as a means of mutual understanding. Today, his vision lives on through the programs and initiatives supported by the CEPA Foundation.”



Professionalism

Through active involvement at conferences, workshops, professional development, leadership trainings, and involvement in organizations, such as NAFSA and The Forum on Education Abroad, CEPA Foundation staff and advisory board members stay up-to-date on the best practices in the field of education abroad. By hosting free academic webinars, the CEPA Foundation is also able to share knowledge and information about important topics relevant to education abroad educators and professionals.



Academic Quality

CEPA Foundation study abroad programs are overseen by an independent Advisory Board composed of academics, professionals, and experts in the field of education abroad who provide advice, insight, and counsel to the CEPA Foundation on all issues relating to quality assurance, development, and maintenance of its programs.

Academic Director



Lynn C. Anderson was Dean of International Education at UC San Diego and was Director of Curriculum Integration and taught German, ESL, and Foreign Studies at the University of Minnesota Twin Cities. Her expertise and

many years of experience help ensure that CEPA Foundation programs and services meet the highest standards for academic quality and positively impact students' goals.



Study Abroad Programs at the European Study Centers



Studying abroad is one of the most valuable investments students can make in their future.

Change your world!

About CEPA

The CEPA Foundation is a non-profit educational institution offering high-quality study abroad programs that positively impact the personal, academic, and career goals of students at its European Study Centers (ESC) in France and Germany.

Our mission is to build bridges of understanding between cultures through international education, leadership, and global engagement.

CEPA staff members are professionals and academics who have studied, worked, and lived abroad themselves. Fluent in English and multiple other languages, both our staff and on-site teams are dedicated to assisting students with every aspect of their experiences abroad.

European Study Centers (ESC)

The mission of the ESC is to offer students high-quality academic, affordable, and culturally immersive programs by focusing on students as individuals. We encourage, challenge, and support students to actively co-create their own, unique experiences while abroad. Our goal is to help students meet their goals and return home better prepared for their future careers, with new perspectives on their fields of study, themselves, and the world.

What's included:

- ✓ Courses
 - ✓ Credits and transcripts
 - ✓ Housing in historic centers
 - ✓ Arrival day airport transfer
 - ✓ Welcome reception
 - ✓ Comprehensive orientations
 - ✓ Welcome/farewell dinners and special group meals throughout the semester
 - ✓ Extensive cultural activities
 - ✓ Professional lectures/visits
 - ✓ Cultural immersion and volunteer opportunities
 - ✓ Personal support from on-site director and ESC teams
 - ✓ Pre-departure advising
 - ✓ In-country transportation
 - ✓ Health insurance
 - ✓ Breakfast daily in Strasbourg
 - ✓ Meal allowance option
 - ✓ Alumni network
- Signature CEPA Programs:**
- ✓ International Career Seminar*
 - ✓ "Castle Talks" Symposium*
- and so much more...**
Visit the website at
www.cepa-foundation.org

** Available during the semester program only*

The CEPA Difference: Studying abroad is not about us - it is about you! We want you to succeed!



“Castle Talks” Symposium

Presented at G.I.V.E. - The Global Institute for Values and Education

As an integral part of your semester abroad, you will participate in an international symposium. Over the course of two days, you will interact with other students, take part in panel discussions, and listen to different presentations on interesting topics from European professors, business leaders, politicians, and academics. This is a wonderful opportunity for you to learn more about Europe, to broaden your perspectives on important cross-cultural and cross-border topics, and to foster cultural understanding and communication skills during your semester abroad.

“International Career Seminar”

Through the integrated International Career Seminar, you will receive a goal setting exercise, a resume/cover letter evaluation, a mock interview, and one-on-one support at key stages during your study abroad program from the on-site team and academic director.

Most importantly, after you return home, you will be better able to articulate the skills, knowledge, and experience you gained overseas and distinguish yourself in the job market and in graduate school applications.

Academic Program

Courses are taught in English by the local professors and visiting faculty from the United States. Students enroll in courses alongside national and international students. If students' foreign language skills are sufficient, courses instructed in French and German are also available.

Cultural/Professional Activities

A co-curricular program of cultural excursions and professional visits is a central part of the CEPA program, including multiple day trips and a weekend excursion during the semester program. Many additional opportunities and activities for students to connect with the local culture and community are offered.



Shilan S.
ESC Heidelberg
Semester Student



“Studying abroad in Heidelberg has easily been the best decision of my life so far, both personally and academically. From making unforgettable friendships with those in the European Study Center, to exploring the different realms of Europe, I have learned and grown so much as a person. Studying abroad made me appreciate other cultures and encouraged me to step out of my comfort zone.”

Community Engagement/Volunteer

Various options for students to get involved in a local volunteer or community project are made available, which is a great way to enhance academic studies and the overall study abroad experience.

Health and Safety

The well-being of our students, faculty, and staff is a top priority. CEPA implements all possible general safety measures and has resources available throughout Europe to assist in case of an emergency or health situation.





European Study Center Strasbourg

ESC Strasbourg is housed at the Château de Pourtalès (pictured above), which is a 250-year old castle nestled in a magnificent park located near the EU Parliament, the Council of Europe, the European Court of Human Rights, and the historic center of Strasbourg. The city is strategically located on the Rhine River and literally at the crossroads of Europe. It is a fascinating and exciting place for students to live and study.

Academics:

Courses are taught in English at the ESC and at the **University of Strasbourg - EM Strasbourg Business School or the Sciences Po Strasbourg (IEP)**. Students can additionally enroll in French language courses at The University of Strasbourg's International Institute for French Studies (IIEF).

Programs:

Fall and Spring Semesters
Summer 5-week Intercultural Leadership
Volunteer Opportunities

Fields of study:

Business Administration, Business Management, Economics, European Studies, French Language, International Business, International Relations, Political Science/Politics

Housing options:

At the ESC Strasbourg, homestay, or student residence in the city center

www.cepa-foundation.org/strasbourg



European Study Center Heidelberg

ESC Heidelberg is located at the Villa Krehl, which is a beautiful art nouveau estate house, located in a safe residential area, and close to the historic city center. Heidelberg is a student-centered city which has always been known for its focus on education and learning. Not only known for its academic prestige, Heidelberg and the surrounding area is one of the most progressive regions in Europe. Heidelberg's central location makes the city a great place to live and explore the country and the rest of Europe.

Academics:

Courses are taught in English at the ESC and students are encouraged to enroll in courses offered by the **SRH University Heidelberg** or take German language courses at the **International House Collegium Palatinum**, also located at the ESC.

Programs:

Fall and Spring Semesters
Summer Sessions I and II
Internships
Volunteer Opportunities

Fields of study:

Business Administration, Business Management, Economics, European Studies (includes Politics), German History, German Language, International Business

Housing options:

At the ESC Heidelberg, homestay, or student residence in the city center

www.cepa-foundation.org/heidelberg

Academic Credit

Students enrolled in an ESC program receive U.S. and/or ECTS credits and transcripts for coursework completed abroad, depending on the program. Please visit the website for complete details: www.cepa-foundation.org/credit

Dr. Catherine Clark
Averett University
CEPA Affiliate Partner



Partnering with the CEPA Foundation has been a wonderful experience. In addition to being friendly and personable, their staff works with our faculty and students one-on-one to provide excellent pre-departure as well as on-site support. They are unique from other study abroad organizations in a couple significant ways. The first is their commitment to providing programs that prioritize students over profit, as evidenced by their non-profit status. The other key feature is their focus on professionalization over tourism; for example, all CEPA students participate in an international symposium in Strasbourg, France. Our students return to campus enthusiastic about their experiences, complimentary of CEPA's presence abroad, and motivated to continue their journey as global citizens.

Scholarships

As a non-profit organization, we provide merit and need-based scholarships. Students from CEPA Foundation Affiliate Partners are eligible to receive grants. Our Student Ambassador Program provides an additional opportunity for all students to receive financial support.

Academic Affiliation

The CEPA Foundation strives to continually build and enrich relationships with universities and colleges as a way to continue expanding its international community of faculty and students. A formal affiliation agreement will not only benefit your students, staff, and faculty, but will also help facilitate the overall study abroad experience. Please contact us or visit our website at www.cepa-foundation.org/affiliation for more information.



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