

## PROGRAM LEADERS

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## COURSES

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CD 496 (3 credits): International Speech Pathology  
SLP 596 (3 credits): International Speech Pathology

## ACCOMMODATIONS

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Hotels

## PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

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Students will acquire knowledge and understanding of how speech and language services are rendered in various European countries. Emphasis will be placed on the student's identification of different methodologies employed by clinicians in Europe for treating communication disorders in adults and children. Students will also compare the health care reimbursement environments in Europe with those in the U.S. They will complete an essay at the conclusion of the course that summarizes their experiences, gathered information, and their opinions on how speech-language therapy services compare between European countries and the U.S. Students will also be provided with possible opportunities for future externship experiences in a European setting if they choose.

## PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

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Upon completion of the course, the student will:

- Identify and explain the different approaches to speech services in European countries.
- Demonstrate an understanding of the difference between health care systems in Europe compared with the U.S.
- Identify differences in speech and language among culturally and linguistically diverse populations in Europe.
- Develop appropriate knowledge and skills in professional issues.

## PROGRAM DETAILS

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**LOCATION:** *London, England; Paris, France; Ghent, Belgium*

**ACADEMIC TERM:** *Summer 2019- May 12, 2019 to May 26, 2019*

**ITINERARY** *(subject to change) for full itinerary see syllabus*

**May 12, 2019:** Depart BNA for London

**May 13, 2019:** Arrive London; London Exploration; Evening Excursion

**May 14, 2019:** London; Possible Activity: Stammering Clinic

**May 15, 2019:** London; Possible Activity: Hospital Visit

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**May 16, 2019:** Depart for Paris By Train

**May 17, 2019:** Paris

**May 18, 2019:** Paris; Possible Activities: Louvre; Pont des Arts

**May 19, 2019:** Paris; Possible Activity: Federation Nationale des Orthophonistes

**May 20, 2019:** Paris; Optional Religious Observation

**May 21, 2019:** Depart for Ghent by Train

**May 22, 2019:** Ghent; Possible Activity: Dutch Lesson w/former WKU CSD Student

**May 23, 2019:** Ghent; Possible Activity: Ghent Center Exploration

**May 24, 2019:** Ghent; Possible Activity: University & Assistive Tech Visit

**May 25, 2019:** Travel to Brussels by Train

**May 26, 2019:** Depart for BNA via Brussels Airport; Program Officially Ends

**The schedule is subject to change due to educational opportunities that may arise unexpectedly, the vagaries of weather, and other factors beyond the control of the course instructors and staff.**

## **ELIGIBILITY**

- Permission of instructor(s) is required.
  - Students must apply to Dr. Green by December 1, 2018 and be accepted before submitting official Study Abroad & Global Learning application
- Student must be in good academic standing. Undergraduate catalog - <https://www.wku.edu/undergraduatecatalog/index.php>
- Current WKU student eligible to register for WKU courses may apply.
- Students must be 18 years of age or older at time of departure (participants under the age of 18 will be considered on a case by case basis).
- Students must possess passport valid for at least six (6) months after return date.
- Students must be free of active disciplinary sanctions as verified by the Office of Student Conduct.
  - Students who become ineligible to attend the program after applying due to disciplinary sanctions will be subject to standard program cost penalty rates. Students are responsible for notifying the Office of Study Away when they become aware of this ineligibility.
- Students must complete all pre-departure orientations.
- Full payment prior to departure is required.
- Students must complete the [Study Abroad & Global Learning application process](#) prior to being registered in this course. Once you are accepted by Dr. Green, we suggest you start this application process immediately and respond to all emails promptly

**By applying, you also acknowledge that the full cost is due before the program departure date, and you are reminded and encouraged to complete the FAFSA even if you have not received financial aid in the past.**

If a student completes a program without full payment prior to the departure, the student should receive an incomplete until the obligation is paid. The Office of Study Away will inform faculty leaders if a student is in this situation prior to the Study Away term grade deadline.

## APPLICATION PROCESS

Students must apply through Dr. Kimberly Green by December 1, 2018. Please email Dr. Green at [Kimberly.green@wku.edu](mailto:Kimberly.green@wku.edu) for more information.

Once selected students have been notified by Dr. Green, they must complete the Study Abroad and Global Learning application and pay their \$250 program deposit.

## BASE PACKAGE

**Estimated Cost: \$4575\***

### Included in Base Package

- Undergraduate/Graduate tuition for 3 credit hours
- Round-Trip Flight from Nashville to London & from Brussels back to Nashville
- Accommodations During Program Dates
- Entrance fees for all program related excursions & site-visits
- Designated group meals
- Course-related ground transportation
- International medical insurance

### Excluded from Base Package

- Transportation between your departure airport and your home.
- Independent travel (non-program travel).
- Personal expenses such as laundry, phone service, and Internet access.
- Tips for guides and drivers not included in program-related activity.
- Travel cancellation/interruption insurance. *Highly recommended.*
- Meals, services, and beverages not mentioned in the program, see syllabus
- Baggage fees and costs associated with flight / program changes
- SAGL Study Abroad Application fee of \$150.00

**Study Abroad courses are not eligible for employee tuition waivers or discounts.**

**\*Final program fee subject to change due to travel arrangements.**

**Contract of Acceptance subject to change due to adjustment in program or pricing.**

## LOGISTICAL CONSIDERATIONS

- **Passport Requirements** - Each participant must have a passport that includes an expiration date, which is 6 months beyond the last date of the program.

## TERMS AND CONDITIONS

<p><b>Your TopNet Account will be billed according to the following Payment Schedule:</b></p> <p><b>February 1, 2019</b> – Program Fee will be charged to student's TopNet account (minus \$250 non-refundable deposit paid at time of application). Balance must be paid prior to program departure. Students applying after this date will be billed on a rolling basis.</p> <p>* Deposit paid by student directly with a credit card – NOT billed to student account.</p>	<p><b>Penalty for Withdrawal or Non-payment:</b></p> <p><b>Deposit Non-Refundable</b></p> <p><b>After February 1:</b> 25% of program cost billable to student  <b>After March 1:</b> 50% of program cost billable to student  <b>After April 1:</b> 75% of program cost billable to student  <b>After May 1:</b> 100% of program cost billable to student/(No refund)</p> <p><b>If a balance remains after the payment due date, the participant may be dropped from the program. A student may remain in the program by providing an award notification from WKU's Student Financial Assistance that verifies ability to pay the program fee immediately after aid is received.</b></p>
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The total amount due in your semester invoice may reflect the combined charges for multiple terms (i.e. Fall and Winter or Spring and Summer) and includes program fees for your Faculty-Led Study Abroad program. Please see your TopNet account for a breakdown of amounts due per term. Refer to your Faculty-Led Study Abroad program's Green Sheet for final payment due dates and billing information. If you have any questions, please email [facultyled.abroad@wku.edu](mailto:facultyled.abroad@wku.edu).

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