



OFF-CAMPUS PROGRAMS



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Welcome! Bienvenue!

"My semester abroad really did change my life. I was scared to death to go, but I knew I wouldn't regret it. I don't regret anything about this trip, only the fact that I didn't do it earlier. I would have loved two semesters abroad."

At Calvin College, we firmly believe that a grounded, Christ-centered education can (and should!) be developed both on and off the campus. Our wide selection of off-campus study opportunities demonstrates that commitment. Designed to provide you with coherent, comprehensive, and authentic learning experiences, these programs have an unusually deep and long-lasting effect on who you are and the person you are becoming. Such experiences, which generally cannot be duplicated on campus, uniquely advance Calvin's mission as a college.

In the pages that follow, you will find a brief overview of what Calvin has to offer. Students confirm that these programs have broadened their perspectives on world affairs and the kingdom of God, have enhanced their self-discipline, and have helped them develop a more positive sense of who they are. But who better to tell you that than the students themselves?



Bienvenido!

“It is not a vacation. It is an opportunity. It is so much more than exploring exotic locations. It is laughing, crying, being more frustrated and lost than you ever thought you could be, and coming out a stronger and wiser person because of it.”

“The Development Studies in Honduras program has played an important role in shaping my priorities as a Christian in a global society as well as focusing my plans for the future.”

“I never really thought I would come to China. In coming I had no idea what to expect. It’s unlike any place I’ve ever been to before, but what I know now is that there’s something about it that becomes a part of you—and you’ll never be quite the same again—it’s a little weird, but I like it.”

“There is no better way to understand the role the United States (or one’s native country) plays in the world than to spend time—an extended period of time that an off-campus study program offers—in a foreign country.”



Semester in CHINA

Traversing over 50 degrees of latitude and covering 3.7 million square miles of land, the People's Republic of China is one of the most extensive countries in the world with over 20 percent of the planet's population calling it home. It is bordered by 14 countries and has a 12,400-mile long Pacific coastline. The capital, Beijing, with over 14 million inhabitants, is an autonomous (self-governing) municipality—and also the home to Calvin's Semester in China program.

Capital Normal University, the host for this program, is an ideal place for quality Chinese language instruction, and the dormitory accommodations are modern and well-maintained. Living and studying at GNU allows you to interact with Chinese and international students. The central location of the university encourages you to take advantage of the nearby National Library, sports facilities, parks, and countless other important cultural and historic sites.

Academically, you have two educational tracks to choose from: one that is rooted in both language and culture studies, and another that is more heavily focused on language. The language and culture track consists of three courses (in English) about Chinese history and culture in addition to eight credit hours of language study. The language-focus track, on the other hand, consists of



If you wish to study in China, you do not need any background in the Chinese language. Calvin's program allows everyone—regardless of language proficiency level—to study in China.

12 credit hours of language study in addition to one course (in English) about Chinese culture. You will also have the opportunity to be paired with Capital Normal students as peer tutors, and meet with them frequently. Weekly field trips around Beijing, out-of-town excursions every other weekend, and a ten-day trip to Xi'an, Nanjing, and Shanghai are highlights of the semester.



With the Forbidden City at its core, Beijiing expands in a structure of concentric rings. The grid-like layout of modern-day Beijing still echoes its Ming dynasty blueprint. Old Beijing survives in its temples, palaces, and old alleyways that crisscross the city outside the second ring road, which itself charts the loop of the demolished City Wall. Within this ancient outline are huge avenues, vaulting overpasses, towering skyscrapers, shopping malls, and the vast expanse of Tian'an Men Square. The city that the 13th-century Mongol warlord Genghis Khan once put to the torch is undergoing a new, dramatic facelift—the culmination of a quarter-century of reform, the pressures of a growing population, and the 2008 Olympics. Beijing is a microcosm of modern China and all its contradictions, a bustling mix of affluent shoppers, trendy youth, beggars, and senior citizens in faded Mao jackets. Entertainment options range from traditional Beijing opera and spectacular acrobatics to modern jazz and punk clubs. On the roads, the city's army of bicycles may be under pressure from the huge influx of new cars, but for the time being pedal power is still one of the best ways to get around Beijing.



Semester in FRANCE



Grenoble, a progressive metropolis in southeast France at the foot of the Alps, provides an excellent environment in which to live your way into a deeper understanding of the French culture and language. By living in a French household, you will have the opportunity to improve your language skills and your ability to interact with people from a different culture.

Your studies will immerse you in a European educational system as you take courses at the Centre Universitaire d'Etudes Françaises at the Université de Grenoble III. Courses at the CUEF include a required language course and electives available in literature, culture, the arts, and social sciences. The Contemporary France course taught by the Calvin program director explores the French culture through readings, guest speakers, and field trips. The second Calvin-taught course changes yearly.

“Studying abroad was, as cliché as it sounds, one of the best decisions I ever made. I love France because of this program. I never thought I’d be one of those students who studied abroad, but now that I’m here, getting ready to leave in just short of two weeks, I wouldn’t hesitate to do it again.”

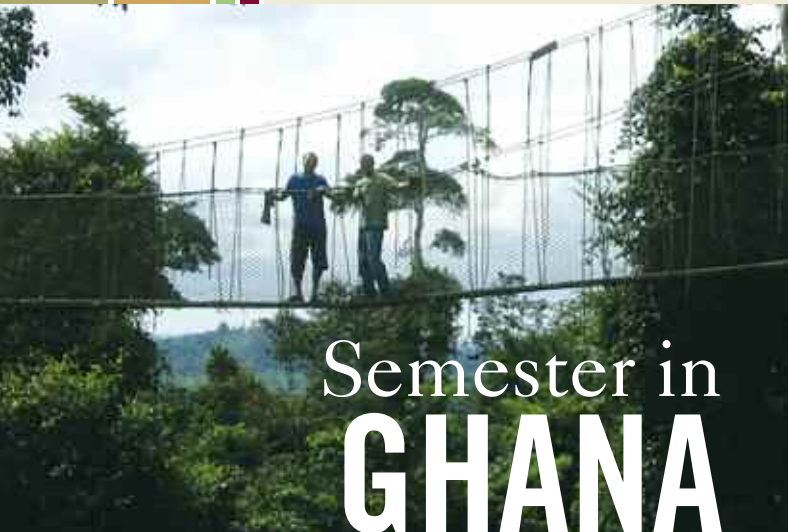


This program is offered 2 of every 3 years, and it is only available to students studying French at an advanced level. Excursions include one-day trips to regional destinations such as Villard-de-Lans, Ste. Hilaire du Touvet, Chambéry, and Annecy. Extended trips to Paris/Versailles, Lyon, and Provence are also a part of the program.

Grenoble is at its core a “university town,” with over 56,000 students comprising 10% of the greater-Grenoble population. Crisscrossing the city are two rivers, the Drac and the Isère. Often called “the capital of the Alps,” Grenoble is nearly surrounded by mountains: to the north sit the Chartreuse, to the west tower the Vercors, and the Belledonne range fills in the view to the east. Naturally, winter sports such as skiing, snowboarding, and ice skating are popular and easily accessible, as is hiking during the rest of the year.

Despite roots that pre-date the Roman Empire, today’s Grenoble has a young feel to it, boasting a lively medley of culture, industry, government, tourism, and education. Led by a very active Maison de la Culture offering a wide range of films, theater productions, and concerts, the city offers both traditional and avant-garde cultural opportunities year-round.

An excellent system of bus and train transportation ease travel to surrounding areas of the Alps, Lyon, Provence and the Côte d’Azur, as well as more distant destinations such as Paris, Geneva and Milan.



Semester in GHANA



Life in Ghana is much like the colorful kente cloth worn by market women—the disparate pockets of life somehow weave together into a beautifully cohesive whole. Ghana is home to a bevy of diverse peoples and cultures, all finding ways to coexist in a rapidly modernizing country. It's not uncommon to catch a glimpse of men and women in traditional clothes text messaging friends and suited businessmen taking offerings to tribal chiefs.

Calvin's Semester in Ghana program integrates classroom learning with visits to the main geographical and cultural regions of Ghana, introducing you to the country, its religious and cultural diversity, and its plentiful resources. You will live on the campus of the University of Ghana at Legon, experiencing life in an international dormitory (with the option of living with an international or Ghanaian roommate), and exploring the bustling life of Accra, Ghana's capital and commercial and cultural motor. In addition to regular classes taught by our program director and by Ghanaian professors, you will have multiple opportunities to experience key aspects of Ghana's diversity and cultural heritage: you will visit the coastal areas of Ghana, studying the historical and contemporary effects of the slave trade, and the coastal rainforests, learning more about the resources for ecological preservation and



education. While studying the religious diversity of Ghanaian culture and its relation to Christianity with the faculty at the Akrofi-Christaller Institute, you will get the chance to attend the Odwira Festival in the city of Akropong. Other study trips include the Northern Region of Ghana, where the influence of Islam on Ghanaian culture is the focus, and an excursion to the Volta Region to observe tourism and development projects focused on environmental issues. These trips are integrated with classes covering the basics of the local language (Twi), the people and cultures of Ghana, dance and drumming in Ghanaian culture, and West African political culture.



Ghana is about the size of Britain. It's generally flat or gently undulating, consisting of low-lying coastal plains punctuated by saline lagoons in the south, wooded hill ranges in the center and a low plateau in the northern two-thirds. The combination of low altitude and proximity to the Equator gives Ghana a typical tropical climate (which means that it's hot year-round with seasonal rains). The nights cool down considerably, but it would still be considered warm to many. Ghana has no iconic calling card like Victoria Falls or Mount Kilimanjaro, but one look at a map reveals a significant geographic blessing: hundreds of miles of coast lined with beautiful beaches, ruined European forts (the poignant reminders of the country's importance as a way station for African slaves), and lively fishing villages.





Spanish Studies in HONDURAS



If you are hoping to deepen your understanding of the Spanish language and culture, Calvin's Spanish Language in Honduras Program will do just that. Geared towards students who already have an advanced level of Spanish under their belt, this program runs every fall semester in the capital city of Tegucigalpa.

Tegus ("tay-goose"), as its inhabitants affectionately call it, is a fascinating hybrid of a city: parts of it are older and more colonial (it was once a major mining hub), while other areas have developed a bustling modernity. Students study at La Universidad Pedagógica Nacional, a teacher's college with a comfortable campus, and live with a Honduran family.

You will take classes with Honduran professors and discover Honduran culture through the people you meet and the many other planned activities. The program begins with a short summer course in late August to acquaint you with Honduras and provide a quick review of Spanish prior to starting your in-depth study of the language, literature, and culture of Honduras and its neighbors. Studying with Honduran professors and mixing with local students on the university campus encourages you to encounter Honduran culture first-hand, and local





field trips and longer excursions to Mayan sites, tropical rainforests, colonial cities, and others sites in Honduras, Nicaragua, and Guatemala further enhance that experience. If you want to learn from experienced professors, eat great food, travel to exotic places on the weekend, and see more of God's wondrous creation close-up, Honduras just might be the place for you.



Tegucigalpa's tongue-twisting name has its origins in the ancient Nahuatl language, and translated means “silver mountain.” The city is comprised of gentle hills, and a ring of mountains surrounds the city. The Picacho hill, a rugged mountain, rises above the downtown area; several neighborhoods, both residential and shanty towns, are located on its slopes. The Choluteca River splits the city from south to north.

Of all the major Central American cities, Tegucigalpa's climate is undoubtedly among the most pleasant because of its high altitude. Though still considered tropical, the weather there is less humid than the lower valleys and the coastal regions, with temperatures averaging around 70°F.

Hurricane Mitch decimated much of Tegucigalpa in 1998, particularly the poorer sectors. But much of Tegus has a new face now—new buildings, new roads, and new commerce.



Semester in HUNGARY



Situated in the heart of Central Europe, Hungary strikes a fascinating balance between deep-rooted folk traditions and burgeoning modernity. Recently welcomed into the European Union and bordered by such countries as Austria, Romania, and the Ukraine, Hungary is a nation in transition—the painful echoes of Communism still linger, but newfound hope has begun a deep process of national transformation.

Your home for the semester is the breathtaking capital city, Budapest. This old-world-meets-new-world city is split from north to south by the beautiful Danube river and connected by over a half dozen historic bridges. On one side sits Buda, the older, cobbled half of the city—Pest, the commercial center, bustles on the other side. It is a lively city that has long been a haven for writers, artists, and musicians.

Excursions within the program usually include Krakow (and Auschwitz), Transylvania (Romania), Croatia, and the Ukraine.



“An undeniably life-shaping experience—sometimes subtly, sometimes in my face—and the most important semester of my college years. My eyes and heart have been cracked wide open, and in the best possible way.”

Students with a wide array of majors enjoy the Semester in Hungary program, thanks to our partnerships with three local universities in Budapest. Classes available are as varied as Film and History, the Holocaust in Literature, International Trade, International Economics, and the History of Central Europe, allowing you to earn credits applicable to a variety of majors. You will also take two courses taught by our program director: Studies in Central European Culture and a special topics course related to the region.

Your classes at local universities and your lodgings in a dormitory of the Karoli Gaspar Reformed University make it possible to meet a variety of other students, both international and Hungarian. (Although many Hungarian young people are learning English and will want to practice their language skills with you, the program begins with an intensive course in the Hungarian language to help in your daily life.)

Budapest is a hub for rail and air travel throughout Hungary and the rest of Europe, providing easy access to cities such as Vienna, Prague, and Munich.



Semester in NEW MEXICO



Calvin's Semester in New Mexico program is held on the campus of Rehoboth Christian School. The program provides a cross-cultural learning experience through special-focus courses from Calvin's liberal arts core (a Societal Structures course—People and Cultures of the Southwest, introductory-level courses in Geology and Art), and from our Teacher Education program. Additional courses are available at the nearby University of New Mexico at Gallup. Student teachers (at either the elementary or secondary level) make up the bulk of the semester's participants, but you don't have to be a student teacher to participate in the program. Dorms at Rehoboth Christian School serve as your housing for the semester.

First known as the Rehoboth Mission School, our program site began as a boarding school for six Native American students in 1903. (It was named Rehoboth after the well the Lord provided for Isaac when all other wells were causing quarrels or were dry.) Soon Rehoboth had become a village of its own—school buildings, staff residences, a heating plant, laundry, church, post office, wells and water system, and



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extensive gardens. While the Rehoboth Christian School no longer houses its students, its student body remains predominantly Native American (68%) and other minorities (11%). Living in a culture infused with the Native American way of life is an exceptional opportunity to encounter that culture on its own terms and learn from within it.



Program excursions include Mesa Verde, the Grand Canyon, the Navajo Nation Fair, Canyon de Chelly, and a visit to a sheep ranch.



Semester in BRITAIN

England's city of York has retained so much of its medieval center that walking into it feels like you're entering a living museum. Many of the ancient timbered houses, perched on narrow, winding streets, are protected by a conservation order. Cars are banned from the center, clearing the way for bikes to bounce over the cobbled streets. When the layers of York's deeply varied past are peeled back, a fascinatingly complex history begins to emerge.

Calvin's Semester in Britain program is based at York St. John University, founded in 1841 in the heart of the

WHERE IS YORK?

York has an ideally central location within the United Kingdom, halfway between London and Scotland. Train rides to either location take under two hours. Our program also includes excursions to historical and cultural sites in such cities as London, Cambridge, Oxford, Edinburgh, and Manchester.



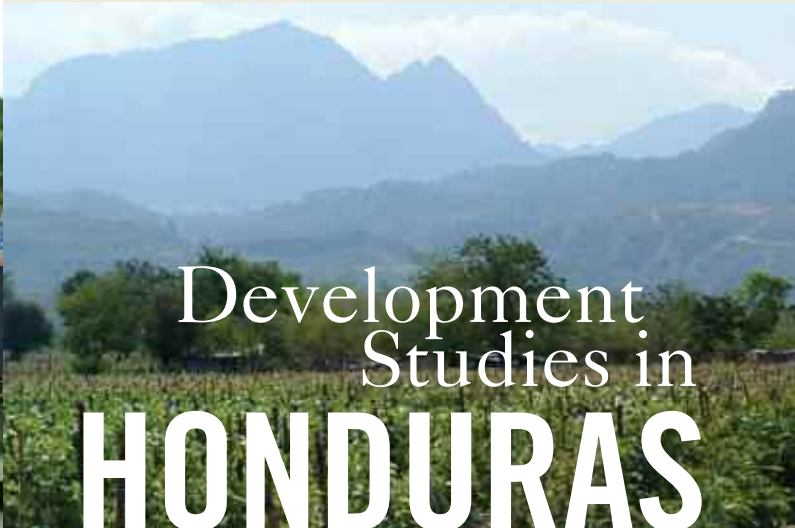
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York sits at the heart of a larger geographical region called Yorkshire, an area of picturesque moorlands and valleys. The northeast section has dramatic limestone scenery that was carved by glaciers in the Ice Age. Until the arrival of railways, mining, and the wool industry in the 19th century, Yorkshire was a farming area. Dry-stone walls dividing fields still pepper the northern part of the region, alongside 19th-century mill chimneys and country houses. To the south, the landscape is dominated by lush, sprawling meadows (and plenty of peaceful walking paths). The coastline to the east is stunning, and further north are wide, sandy beaches and bustling harbor towns.

United Kingdom. With history dating from the Roman period, the city of York is a rich “text” for understanding the history and culture of Britain. This program can be tailored to almost any major. In addition to taking two courses taught by a Calvin professor (who will serve as your program director), you also select from a wide range of courses at York St. John’s University in such fields as Business, Communication, Design, Education, English, Film, History, Information Technology, Performance, Occupational Therapy, Psychology, Sport and Exercise Science, and Religion. You will stay in your own dorm room on the campus of York St. John University for the semester.





Development Studies in HONDURAS

Calvin's Development Studies in Honduras semester program is designed for students who are asking questions about their place in a world where two-thirds of its inhabitants live on less than \$2 a day. The Universidad Pedagógica, a comfortable, small university in Honduras' capital of Tegucigalpa, is the program's academic home. Classes start by focusing on the reality of Honduras—one of the world's poorest countries—and then using that knowledge as a lens to look at the rest of the world. During the semester, you will study development theories—not just in the abstract, but as they play out in the day-to-day life of lesser-developed countries. Seeing child-sponsorship programs in action and touring garment factories, subsistence farms, and banana plantations will help bring your classroom learning to life. Visits to Copan's Mayan ruins and a tropical rainforest show first-hand some of the natural and historic riches of Honduras.

One of the most influential aspects of this program is the time you spend living with your Honduran family. Spanish fluency is not necessary for this program; you only need the equivalency of one semester of college-level Spanish.

You are encouraged to jump right in, make yourself feel at home, help make meals, attend gatherings of the extended family, and learn to make the perfect tortilla.



Tegucigalpa, a city of more than one million, is a study in contrasts. Cardboard shacks lean next to twenty-room mansions. Pizza Hut, Burger King, and Wendy's compete for clients with street vendors selling tortillas and beans. And everywhere the city is alive with people—playing soccer in the street, selling fresh flowers door-to-door, and buying snow cones on street corners.



Honduras is a peaceful Central American country about the size of West Virginia which boasts beautiful tropical islands of warm white sand and palm trees, cool tree-covered mountain regions and lush tropical rainforests. Honduras is also the third poorest country in the western hemisphere. Two-thirds of its six million people are farmers and only five percent will finish high school. Students in this program have said time and time again that Hondurans are some of the friendliest, most hospitable people they've ever met, despite the difficulty of their lives. Don't be surprised if a visit to a Honduran home leads to a cup of coffee, a plate of warm beans and rice, and lots of good conversation.





Semester in SPAIN

A breathtaking coastal city on the Mediterranean Sea, Denia plays host to Calvin's Semester in Spain program. La Universidad Nacional de Educación a Distancia (U.N.E.D.) is our academic home, and you will stay with a Denian family within walking distance of campus.

There are two educational "tracks" available in this program: the core (basic) track and the advanced track. Both programs feature professors from Calvin's Spanish department and professors from the U.N.E.D. The core program is an option if you have minimal background (or none whatsoever) in the Spanish language; your entire foreign language requirement can be fulfilled through this program. Courses in this track cover grammar, conversation, reading, and writing. If you wish to study at a more developed level, you can participate in the Advanced Program, where the prerequisite for eligibility is Spanish 301. You have some flexibility with courses in this track, with such options as Advanced Grammar and Conversation, Art History, and Spanish Literature.

The program also includes group excursions to Barcelona, the Madrid area, and Andalucia.

The core program is offered every other fall semester; the advanced program is offered every spring semester.

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A city of about 32,000 inhabitants (Grand Rapids has about 200,000), Denia is privileged to have a prime coastal location on Spain's eastern coast between the cities of Valencia and Alicante. To the north, fine sandy beaches; to the south, a stretch of striking rocky coastline, dotted with caves and blessed with crystal-clear deep waters. The whole area around Denia is dominated by orange and lemon groves and has a scattering of Roman and Islamic ruin sites.

The town itself was founded in the 4th Century B.C. and boasts an ancient castle which overlooks the city and dates back to Roman times. Local builders regularly discover new evidence of earlier cultures, attesting to the influence of previous Phoenician, Greek, Roman, and Moorish inhabitants. Like all Spanish cities, Denia participates enthusiastically in many festivals, but it is best known for the fallas, where participants spend an entire year building elaborate, often satirical floats, only to set them ablaze on March 19 (The Feast of St. Joseph) in an amazing pyrotechnic display.

But Denia's initial growth was as a seafaring town and it's still a working port. The old fishermen's quarter preserves its cobbled streets and whitewashed buildings. Denia's main central street, the Calle Marques de Campo (named after the Marquis of Denia who used to reside in the castle), is a wonderful place to sit and people watch—a Parisian-style tree-lined avenue peppered with street cafes on both sides. Rice is a major ingredient in this area, and paella (pronounced *pie-ay-yah*), a dish consisting of rice, saffron, olive oil, vegetables, and meat is a staple of the local cuisine.





Semester in WASHINGTON D.C.



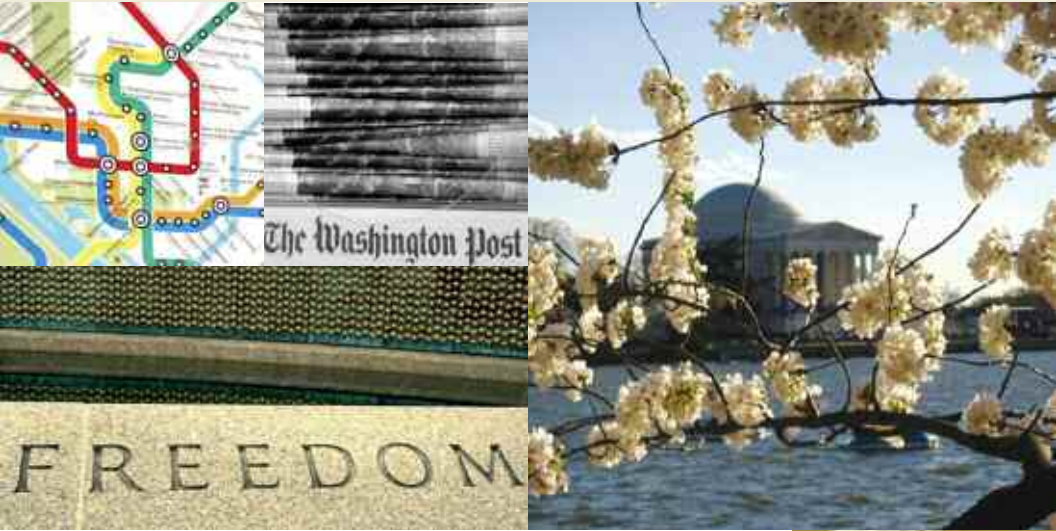
When Pierre Charles L'Enfant, a French-born American urban planner, set foot on undeveloped land along the Potomac River in 1791, he visualized a “pedestal waiting for a monument.” A little over 200 years later, Washington, D.C. has ripened into an engaging, lively city combining iconic government buildings, monuments, memorials, museums and the National Mall with colorful neighborhoods, art, theatre, music, and culture.

Calvin's Semester in Washington, D.C. program is internship-based, meaning that the majority of the credit given is for an internship in your field. Calvin's internship coordinator works with you in advance to assure that a placement is found that suits your particular interests. Work sites vary from legislative offices to think tanks, embassies, and media outlets. Even though this program is located in the heart of our nation's political world, you do not need to be a Political Science major to participate.

The lodging for our program is in a prime location in the heart of the city, near Capitol Hill.

So go ahead! Experience how Washington really “works” from day to day. Stand in the same spot where Martin Luther King, Jr. spoke his “I Have a Dream” speech. Soak up some knowledge in the Smithsonian

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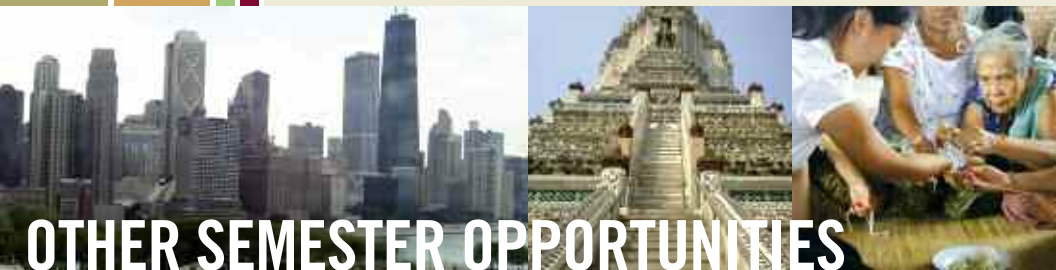


Institute. Treat yourself to an evening at the Kennedy Center, basking in the sounds of the National Symphony Orchestra. The virtually endless opportunities of our nation's capital await you.



This semester is also known as the Paul B. Henry Semester, in honor of Paul B. Henry, a leader of Christian vision and action. Henry taught political science at Calvin College from 1970 to 1978. While at Calvin, he served on the Michigan Board of Education. In 1978, Henry left to pursue public service full-time. He was elected to the Michigan State House, and later, to the State Senate. Henry was elected to the U.S. House of Representatives in 1984 and served there until his untimely death in 1993. Henry's political and academic careers were characterized by strong Christian principles, as set forth in his book, *Politics for Evangelicals*.





OTHER SEMESTER OPPORTUNITIES

The sky's the limit when it comes to off-campus programs; the only major variable is how much Calvin financial aid will apply to the program cost. (Non-Calvin financial aid and/or loans are not affected). Below is a listing of non-Calvin programs for which you are allowed to retain either all or half of your financial aid. Some special conditions may apply. See our Web site or contact our office for details; we'll help you connect with these opportunities.

100% OF CALVIN-FUNDED FINANCIAL AID IS APPLICABLE FOR:

SEMESTER IN THAILAND: International development courses with an environmental focus through the International Sustainable Development Studies Institute (ISDSI).

THE CHICAGO SEMESTER: An internship and two seminars in the Windy City.

CENTRAL COLLEGE IN VIENNA: German language study in Austria.

S.P.E.A.K.: German language study in Marburg, Germany.

NETHERLANDIC STUDIES (SPICE): Dutch language and culture study through Dordt College.

JAPAN CENTER FOR MICHIGAN COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES (JCMU): Japanese language and culture study in Hikone, near Kyoto.

COLLEGE YEAR IN ATHENS: Ancient and modern Greek civilization and modern Eastern Mediterranean studies.

50% OF CALVIN-FUNDED FINANCIAL AID IS APPLICABLE FOR:

AU SABLE INSTITUTE: Environmental studies at campuses in Michigan, Washington State, India, Florida, and other locations.

AUSTRALIAN STUDIES PROGRAM: Theatre courses for theatre majors.

BUDAPEST MATHEMATICS: Mathematics and computer science studies in Hungary through St. Olaf College.

CENTRAL COLLEGE IN THE NETHERLANDS: Dutch language and culture study in Leiden.

CONTEMPORARY MUSIC CENTER: Study of music content, production, and delivery in Martha's Vineyard, Massachusetts.

CREATION CARE STUDIES PROGRAM: Environmental studies program at one of two sites—Belize or New Zealand.

DAYSTAR UNIVERSITY: Liberal arts courses in Kenya.

HANDONG UNIVERSITY: Business, economics, political science, religion, computer science, and communications courses in South Korea.

HOGESCHOOL ZEELAND: Economics and business courses in the Netherlands.

HONG KONG BAPTIST UNIVERSITY: Business, communications, Chinese culture and language, sciences, and social sciences courses.

THE SCHOLARS SEMESTER IN OXFORD: Seminars and personal tutorials on a range of subjects. Available only to students with a GPA of at least 3.5.

JERUSALEM UNIVERSITY COLLEGE: Biblical and Middle East studies.

LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES: Third-world studies, environmental sustainability, and international business courses in Costa Rica.

LOS ANGELES FILM STUDIES CENTER: Film-making, film and culture, and screenwriting courses.

MIDDLE EAST STUDIES PROGRAM: Middle East religious and political thought, language, and culture in Cairo, Egypt.

OREGON EXTENSION PROGRAM: Small groups and tutorials on contemporary issues and Christian responses to them.

RUSSIAN STUDIES PROGRAM: Russian language, history, culture, and sociology courses.

WASHINGTON JOURNALISM CENTER: Journalism and social justice courses on Capitol Hill.

Check the Off-Campus programs Web site for up-to-date information on all new or existing programs.

INDEPENDENT STUDIES:

If you want to participate in a semester program that hasn't been mentioned thus far, you are welcome to talk with us about it. Chances are you will be able to do it—although Calvin-funded financial aid will not apply.

Off-Campus Interim Courses:

Each year, approximately 35 Interim courses are offered by Calvin faculty all across the globe. The majority of Interims take place in January, but a few happen in early summer (May/June). These courses (along with the costs and instructors) are announced late in the Spring for the upcoming year.



So now you may be wondering... **HOW DO I APPLY?**

First of all, there are a few prerequisites for studying off-campus.

For off-campus SEMESTER PROGRAMS, you must:

- have a GPA of 2.5,
- be at least a sophomore, in good standing*

For off-campus INTERIM COURSES, you must:

- have a GPA of 2.0,
- be at least a sophomore, in good standing*

To apply for a **semester** program, please complete a preliminary application (available on our Web site and in our office). The preliminary application requires you to meet with your advisor to determine what courses you will take through your semester program and how those will fit into your graduation requirements. For more information about what courses you can take through these semester programs, please visit our Web site.

* Students on personal probation are ineligible for off-campus programs for 12 months. Those on disciplinary probation are ineligible for 18 months.



If your preliminary application is approved, one of two things will happen:

1. If you are applying to a Calvin-sponsored program (Britain, China, France, Ghana, Spanish or Development Studies in Honduras, Hungary, New Mexico, Spain, and Washington D.C.), we will send you the program application via e-mail. After submitting your application online, you will have an interview with the program director. The participants will be selected from the pool of applicants within two weeks of the application deadline.
2. If you are applying to a non-Calvin program, we will let you know that you should proceed to apply directly to your program.

The application deadline for most Calvin programs is the middle of the preceding semester. The one exception to this is the Washington D.C. program, which takes place in the Spring; applications are due late the previous Spring.

For **interims**, no preliminary application is necessary. Interim applications can be found on our Web site.

Any questions? Stop by our office or check out our Web site.

Now's the time! Explore. Learn. Challenge Yourself.

A magnificent world awaits you.

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